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# **DeSantis backslides** in bid for both sides

Fla. governor struggles to sway Trump base and moderate Republicans

### **BY HANNAH KNOWLES**

BEDFORD, N.H. - Some moderate Republican voters here recoiled at ads that Ron DeSantis's allies started running weeks ago broadcasting the Florida governor's vows to use deadly force at the southern border.

"I don't like the fact that we're going to start murdering people," said Becki Kuhns, 71, who is eager for an alternative to Donald Trump and brought up the commercials unprompted.

Down the road at a cigar bar in Nashua, where regulars talk politics and watch debates together, a different DeSantis problem came



into focus: Trump supporters were unmoved by DeSantis's pitch that he would deliver the former president's agenda more

effectively. The people he's targeting "belong to Trump," said Howard Ray, 43, who went to a DeSantis event but wasn't persuaded. "He comes across kind of hard right."

He added: "Those types of people are in Trump's camp, and they're not moving."

DeSantis began the year widely viewed as the Republican with the best chance to build a winning coalition against the former president – the Trump alternative



### BY CHICO HARLAN IN CHOTYIEL, SOUTH SUDAN

It was 1 p.m., her children still hadn't eaten, and every item on Nyaguey Dak Kieth's "long to-do list" pertained to surviving another day. So Nyaguey grabbed a plastic bucket and an empty sack and set off from her village surrounded by floodwater. Those waters had upended her life, but also provided a food option - not a desirable one, but one of the few

Water lilies. They'd been keeping her family alive for two years.

They were bitter. Hard to digest. They required hours of manual labor - cutting, pounding, drying, sifting – just to be made edible. Nyaguey could still re-

# In South Sudan, a climate crisis deepens misery

Years into disastrous flooding, people are eating the unthinkable

Nyaguev Dak Kieth wades through the water dragging a bag of lily bulbs, now vital sustenance in her flood-choked village.

William Lewis named publisher, CEO of The Post

member her initial shock at eating them, figuring they'd be a shortterm measure. And now, with the floodwaters holding their ground, she could trace a two-year arc of distress in what the lilies had become: sustenance so vital that people were slogging farther and farther into the waters to find them, before someone else did.

"I can see some lilies here," another woman told Nyaguey after a group of four had walked 20 minutes out of town, reaching the edge of the waters.

"Not enough," Nyaguey said, and the group kept moving. "It looks like somebody already collected most of these.

Climate disasters are often perceived as finite events - with an SEE SOUTH SUDAN ON A22

# Many Gazans remain on front

### 400,000 COULD BE IN NORTH, U.S. SAYS

Israel presses forward as war nears 1-month mark

### BY MICHAEL BIRNBAUM. WILLIAM BOOTH AND LOVEDAY MORRIS

AMMAN, JORDAN - Facing heavy bombardment and warned by Israel to evacuate immediately, as many as 400,000 people remain in northern Gaza as Israeli tanks and ground troops press forward seeking to smash Hamas strongholds and free hostages, U.S. officials said Saturday.

Another 800,000 to 1 million residents have fled to southern areas of Gaza but still face intense Israeli bombardment as the war nears its one-month mark.

For a three-hour window Saturday, Israel offered passage for people in Gaza to move south on the Salah al-Din road, the main passable highway running nearly the length of the 25-mile Gaza Strip.

The Israeli military now refers to southern Gaza as a "safer zone" vs. calling it a safe zone. Heavy bombardment still occurs in the south - and many Gazans say they feel nowhere offers a haven from the attacks and invasion.

The Gaza Health Ministry estimated on Saturday that 2,200 people, including 1,250 children, are buried under the rubble of destroyed buildings in Gaza. Overall, the health officials say, more than 9,400 people have been killed, many of them women and children. The Biden administration is pushing Israel for brief "humanitarian pauses" in the fighting – to allow aid in and people out - and to significantly expand the amount of supplies flowing into Gaza, the U.S. special envoy for SEE GAZA ON A21

who could entice Trump critics yet was also in many ways a continuation of Trump's "America First" platform. But DeSantis's support has shrunk dramatically since then, eroding on both ends of the party spectrum, interviews SEE DESANTIS ON A8

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Former Dow Jones, Wall Street Journal exec

is touted as 'strong fit'

### BY ELAHE IZADI AND JEREMY BARR

William Lewis, a reporter turned executive who spent years

working in British media and for Rupert Murdoch-owned companies, has been named the CEO and publisher of The Washington Post.

As chief executive of Dow Jones and publisher of the Wall Street Journal from 2014 to 2020, Lewis was credited with increasing the Journal's digital subscriber base.

In an email to staff late Saturday, Post owner Jeff Bezos cited Lewis's background as both a journalist and executive in making him a "strong fit" for the job.

"As I've gotten to know Will, I've been drawn to his love of journalism and passion for driving financial success," Bezos wrote. "Will embodies the tenacity, energy and vision Lewis

needed for this role. He believes that together we will build the right future for The Post. I agree."

After leaving Dow Jones, the 54-vear-old London native co-founded the News Movement, which focuses on delivering nonpartisan news to younger audiences on TikTok, Instagram, You-Tube and other social

platforms Before that, he had a long career in England, working first as a SEE PUBLISHER ON A17 Fact Checker: Biden's dismissal of reported Gaza death toll. A4

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# He had a stroke at a gas station, then lost nearly everything

Many seniors are one medical emergency from a court-appointed guardian taking control of their lives

### BY MARY JORDAN IN ORLANDO

When Douglas Hulse pulled his Ford Mustang convertible into a Florida gas station three years ago, he looked so distressed that someone called 911.

An ambulance rushed him to Orlando Health South Seminole Hospital, where doctors said he had a stroke. At 80, the retired pilot who had flown famous passengers around the country could no longer care for himself.

But Hulse lived alone – as 3 out of 5 Americans in their 80s do.

A hospital can be liable if a patient is discharged into an unsafe environment. Because Hulse lived alone and the hospital officials saw no sign that he had family, that put them in a bind when his health didn't improve. So they argued in court that he was no longer capable of making his own decisions and needed a guardian - a caretaker with enormous legal power.

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A 2021 photo of Douglas Hulse on his niece's phone. The retired pilot was put in a guardianship in Florida and moved into a nursing home without anyone telling his family in Pennsylvania.

## As media reaches a tipping point, content creators surge

Nontraditional sources draw larger audiences than legacy outlets

### BY TAYLOR LORENZ

Ameer Al-Khatahtbeh graduated in 2020 with a degree in journalism from Rutgers University. But instead of going to work in a traditional newsroom, he decided to build his own digital news brand catering to the Muslim community.

Four years later, Al-Khatahtbeh. has amassed more than 25.2 million followers on TikTok and more than 5.3 million on Instagram, where posts to his account, @Muslim, range from features on halal dating apps to the latest news from the Israel-Gaza war.

The young Palestinian-Jordanian entrepreneur is one of millions of independent creators re-

shaping how people get their news, especially the youngest viewers. News consumption hit a tipping point around the globe during the early days of the coronavirus pandemic, with more people turning to social media platforms such as TikTok, YouTube and Instagram than to websites maintained by traditional news outlets, according to the latest Digital News Report by the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism. One in 5 adults under 24 use TikTok as a source for news, the report said, up five percentage points from last year. According to Britain's Office of Communications, young adults in the United Kingdom now spend more time watching TikTok than broadcast television.

This shift has been driven in part by a desire for "more accessible, SEE CREATORS ON A10

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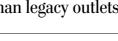
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any in their lifetime. Yet 2023 THE SUNDAY has provided few genuine clues about the road

ahead. It is as if an unhappy country has been stumbling in place for much of the year, marking time ahead of the showdown.

Big events have dominated this year, any one of which might have been expected to affect the political landscape heading into a presidential election year. Former president Donald Trump was indicted four times in four jurisdictions and faces trials involving 91 felony counts, the first former president ever so charged. House Republicans needed 15 ballots to elect Rep. Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.) as speaker in January, tossed him out nine months later and then took weeks to settle on little-known Rep. Mike Johnson (R-La.) as the new speaker. A mass killing in Maine left 18 dead, the latest act of carnage that has become frighteningly commonplace.

Internationally, gruesome attacks on Israeli citizens by Hamas terrorists on Oct. 7 triggered sympathy and support for Israel and a new war in the Middle East that is now resulting in thousands of civilian casualties among Palestinians. Those deaths have prompted a call from President Biden for a humanitarian pause and calls from others for a ceasefire, which Israel is resisting. Ukraine's war to repel the Russian invasion has ground ahead slowly all year. As the Biden administration deals with these two hot wars, it continues to work to recalibrate U.S. relations with an adversarial China in a new cold war.

Big events sometimes change politics. Yet today, the contours of the 2024 presidential election remain largely as they were early in the year. President Biden's approval ratings have barely moved. Some economic statistics are strong, but many

voters feel the pinch of higher gas and grocery prices. Republicans have failed to purge election denialism from their ranks. Trump's rhetoric is nastier and smaller than ever.

An unsettled country prepares for a 2024 election showdown

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A rematch between Biden and Trump remains the likeliest scenario for next year's general election – a prospect that excites few Americans. Neither man appears to have the upper hand at this point.

The Republicans challenging Trump for their party's nomination have made no progress in peeling away his supporters. Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, someone who seemed at the beginning of the year to have the potential, has instead gone backward.

The electorate is narrowly and deeply divided. As a result, U.S. politics are anything but stable. For nearly two decades, voters have produced one change election after another. The House changed hands in 2006, 2010, 2018 and 2022. The Senate changed hands in 2014 and 2020. The White House changed hands in 2008, 2016 and 2020.

Will 2024 continue the pattern? Given the narrow margins that exist in both chambers, the Senate (now in Democratic hands) and the House (now in Republican hands) could shift again next year. As could the occupant of the White House.

Political volatility has produced legislative stasis in Congress this year. The previous Congress enacted several significant pieces of legislation - bills dealing with

infrastructure, the pandemic, semiconductor chips, climate. This Congress has done little other than necessary action to prevent a default by the U.S. government after tense negotiations led to an increase in the government's borrowing power.

The year isn't over, and much remains for Congress to do. The House and Senate must pass legislation to keep the government running; failure to do so in the next two weeks would bring a shutdown. It was this issue that brought down McCarthy, after he cut a deal



President Biden during his walk to Marine One on the South Lawn of the White House on Nov. 1. Heading into an election year, President Biden faces an electorate that is deeply and narrowly divided.



Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump speaks during a campaign rally at Trendsetter Engineering on Nov. 2 in Houston, his second stop in Texas since earlier this year.

with Democrats.

As significant, Congress must address the request by Biden for more than \$100 billion to provide military assistance for Israel and Ukraine, humanitarian assistance in the Middle East, funding for security at the U.S.-Mexican border and aid to Taiwan in the face of threats from China. The new speaker will have difficult decisions on these issues as he attempts to satisfy hard-right members of his conference (of which he is one) while finding a path to a compromise that can clear both House and Senate. His opening bid — \$14 billion in aid to Israel tied to equivalent cuts in funding for the Internal Revenue Service — is going nowhere in the Senate and Biden has said he would veto it. Even if that gets resolved, Johnson must decide what to do about support for Ukraine, a top priority to his Senate counterpart, Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.). House Republicans will carry the effectiveness, or lack thereof, of the new speaker into the next election. But so too will they carry the reality that many of them cannot admit that Biden won the election legitimately and that Trump is wrong when he claims otherwise. Johnson was a leader in efforts after the 2020 election to advance Trump's lies about a stolen election. The issue is a major fracture in the party and one that Democrats plan to make central

in the 2024 election. Rep. Ken Buck (R-Colo.), a member of the Freedom Caucus who has been a fiscal hawk since arriving in Congress, gave the issue higher prominence after he announced Wednesday that he will not run for reelection next year. He cited his frustration with a Republican Party that is rife

agenda. A big Republican victory would worry Democrats about next year and will stoke talk of a late entry by Youngkin into the presidential race, though the procedural obstacles are significant, and Trump's dominance is likely to be intimidating.

The election that could be the

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with members who buy into election denialism and are not willing to condemn the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the Capitol by Trump loyalists.

The other action coming before the end of the year that could bear on 2024 will take place in several elections on Tuesday. They will be looked at for clues to next year, though the value of these off-year elections as predictors is spotty.

In Kentucky, which is reliably Republican in presidential races. Democratic Gov. Andy Beshear is trying to prevail over GOP attorney general Daniel Cameron. In Mississippi, another reliable Republican state, Republican Gov. Tate Reeves, plagued by scandal in his term, is looking to fend off a challenge from Democrat Brandon Presley.

Elections in two other states probably will draw more attention for those interested in 2024. In Virginia, all 140 seats in the state House and Senate are up on Tuesday. Democrats control the Senate; Republicans control the House. Republican Gov. Glenn

Youngkin has campaigned aggressively with the hope of taking full control to enact his most watched is in Ohio. No candidates are involved. This is a referendum that, if approved by a majority of voters, would put abortion rights into the state constitution. A test run on the issue in August showed support for the referendum.

Ohio will provide the latest indication of whether opposition to the Supreme Court's 2022 decision overturning Roe v. Wade and efforts by antiabortion advocates to enact restrictions in the states and perhaps nationally remains a potent motivator for voters who support abortion rights. Abortion rights advocates expect a victory on Tuesday, continuing a string of successes when the issue has been put directly to voters in other states.

Politics is often small and petty. Witness the detour the Republican presidential race has taken ahead of Tuesday's debate in Miami into questions of whether DeSantis wears lifts in his boots and DeSantis's taunt to Trump involving the former president's privates. Yet for all the discouragement and distractions, voters know that the year ahead will be about some of the biggest of big issues.



Virginia Gov. Glenn Youngkin gestures during an early voting rally, Sept. 21 in Petersburg, Va. Conjecture that Youngkin might make a late entry into the 2024 presidential race has only grown.

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# Trump and media want a televised trial in D.C. Prosecutors do not.

### BY SPENCER S. HSU AND TOM JACKMAN

The Justice Department formally urged a federal judge Friday to reject calls by news organizations and by former president Donald Trump's defense to allow live television coverage of his federal trial in March on charges of illegally conspiring to subvert the results of the 2020 election, joining a potentially historic legal battle over public access to the federal courts.

Last month, lawyers for a coalition of news organizations including The Washington Post and for the corporate parent of NBC News filed two petitions in Washington asking U.S. District Judge Tanya S. Chutkan to make an exception to the long-standing rule barring cameras from federal courtrooms for Trump's case and to permit the televising, recording, or same-day release of video and audio recordings of his trial.

"Since the founding of our Nation, we have never had a criminal case where securing the public's confidence will be more important than with United States v. Donald J. Trump," attorneys for the 20-member news coalition wrote in an Oct. 5 application. They asserted that the trial of a former president and presumptive 2024 presidential nominee on charges of obstructing the most recent election "presents the strongest possible circumstances for continuous public oversight of the justice system."

In a separate sworn statement supporting NBC's request, Rebecca Blumenstein, the president of editorial for NBC News, urged the video recording of Trump's proceedings for posterity, saying, "It would be a great loss if future generations of Americans were forever deprived of being able to access and view the events of this trial even years after the verdict, which would immeasurably improve the ability of future journalists and historians to retell accurately and meaningfully analyze this unique chapter of American history.

Trump defense attorney John

Lauro repeatedly called for the election subversion case to be televised before and after Trump's indictment, adding in a Fox News interview, "and I would hope the Department of Justice would join in that effort so that we take the curtain away and all Americans get to see what's happening."

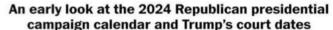
Ordered by Chutkan to respond by Friday, prosecutors with special counsel Jack Smith said that the court's hands were tied, arguing that the media applicants' proposal "is clearly foreclosed under Rule 53 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure," which prohibits "the broadcasting of judicial proceedings from the courtroom."

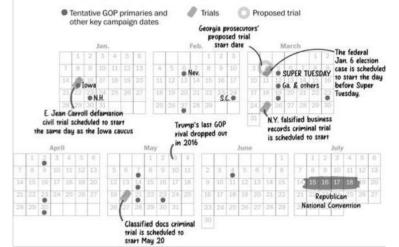
Courts have long upheld the rule's constitutionality, and the federal judiciary reaffirmed the policy in criminal cases as recently as September, assistant special counsels James I. Pearce and John M. Pellettieri wrote in an 18-page filing for the Justice Department, adding, "Whatever policy the Applicants believe supports their requested relief is not properly directed to the Court. ... This Court should deny the Applications."

Since the dawn of the television age, federal courts have prohibited cameras in the courtroom, wary of feeding what the Supreme Court called in a landmark 1966 decision a "carnival atmosphere" of publicity that could intimidate witnesses, sway jurors, prompt grandstanding by attorneys or judges or deprive criminal defendants of their due process rights. That fear was exacerbated nearly three decades ago by the ninemonth televised criminal trial and acquittal of retired football star O.J. Simpson on state murder charges in California.

But leaps in technology, the recent coronavirus pandemic emergency and increasing experimentation by federal courts with live or recorded streaming of oral arguments have led some lawmakers and advocates to ask whether Trump's case might mark a fresh tipping point in the debate, or at least provide the impetus for incremental changes such as the archiving of video or the prompt release of audio recordings.

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"I have my skepticisms about whether these courtroom-camera efforts can prevail, but it is also unquestionably the case that the argument for cameras here is at its all-time strongest," University of Utah law professor RonNell Andersen Jones said in an email, adding, "It is hard to imagine any case or any defendant in the whole history of our federal courts that is as central to the public interest as this one."

Jones said traditional concerns about creating a "circus atmosphere" or causing problems for witnesses or defendants can be addressed by limiting access to one camera or releasing footage after court approval. "Audio streaming," she said, "although it would rob the audience of the key visual cues and still give rise to misinformation-laden disputes about interpretation, would be another option that would at least give the general public more concrete information about what is happening."

Trump has pleaded not guilty to an Aug. 1 indictment accusing him of a criminal conspiracy to remain in office, obstruct Congress's lawful certification of Joe Biden's victory and deprive Americans of their civil right to have their votes counted.

The case is one of four felony prosecutions launched this year against Trump. They include similar allegations by Georgia officials of trying to obstruct that state's election results. He also has been federally indicted in Florida over his alleged retention and mishandling of classified documents and obstruction after leaving the White House, and is accused in New York state of business fraud and covering up a hush money payment made during the 2016 election campaign.

Trump's federal cases both fall under the rule barring televised courtroom proceedings. New York state courts have a similar ban, although acting New York Supreme Court justice Juan M. Merchan permitted photographers to record still images before Trump's arraignment in April, over Trump's objections. By contrast, the Georgia court is expected to permit telecasting of Trump's trial, and it streams all hearings on the court's YouTube channel and permits a "pooled" news television camera in the courtroom.

The news media coalition pointed out that Trump's Senate impeachment trial after the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol and hearings of the House select committee that investigated events surrounding the rioting were both nationally televised, drawing opening-day television audiences averaging more than 11 million and 20 million, respectively, not counting online view-

A legal team led by Charles D. Tobin, of the Ballard Spahr law firm, argued in a letter to the federal judiciary that with Trump himself campaigning for the presidency by claiming that his criminal prosecutions are "election interference" by prosecutors, allowing the public to see for itself would alleviate, not intensify, challenges to the legitimacy of the rule of law.

"If Americans do not have confidence that Mr. Trump is being treated fairly by the justice system, there is a very real chance they will reject the verdict (whatever it is) and that their faith in democracy and our institutions will be further diminished," Tobin and attorney Leita Walker wrote. "Recent and painful events in our Nation's Capital show that, taken to an extreme, this sort of doubt and cvnicism can lead to violence.

Trump and the news media are not alone in seeking to speed change in the federal judiciary. Dozens of Democratic lawmakers and a spokesperson for the Republican-led House Judiciary Committee have said they support cameras in court in the "limited but extraordinary circumstance' of Trump's election obstruction case, and the full House has voted in the past for such changes.

A bipartisan group of senators also introduced legislation this year before Trump's federal indictments to grant federal judges discretion to allow cameras while protecting the identities of witnesses and jurors.

"If the public is to fully accept the outcome, it will be vitally important for it to witness, as directly as possible, how the trials are conducted, the strength of the evidence adduced and the credibility of witnesses," Rep. Adam B. Schiff (D-Calif.) wrote to the federal judiciary in August in regard to Trump's case.

The pandemic did usher in revolutionary changes in federal and state courts, which were compelled to adopt live-streaming because of pandemic restrictions on indoor gatherings that affected jurors, attorneys, court staffers and the public. The Supreme Court began live-streaming audio of oral arguments, and all federal appellate courts, including the one in D.C., make audio of oral arguments available online.

Under since-expired federal pandemic emergency legislation, U.S. trial courts around the country also allowed federal criminal proceedings to take place by video or audio conferencing, with many allowing the public to access the proceedings by phone or online.

In a milestone proceeding, the televised state trial of former Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin, who was found guilty of murder and manslaughter in the death of George Floyd, won praise from many past critics of the exclusionary practice. The Minnesota Supreme Court afterward granted all district courts in that state broad discretion to allow video coverage of most criminal trials.

The federal district court in Washington, no stranger to highprofile cases, for nearly two decades has offered live closed-circuit transmission of video taken from the courthouse's own cameras to nearby overflow rooms used by the public and media to permit electronic note-taking and live written and online reporting but not recording or rebroadcast showing that changes are possible. Still, advocates face an uphill fight.

On Oct. 26, a rulemaking panel of the national policymaking body for the federal courts denied the request by media coalition lawyers to exempt Trump's case from Rule 53. An advisory panel to the Federal Judicial Conference found it has no authority to grant exceptions to clear-cut rules, as first reported by Politico.

But the panel agreed to create a subcommittee to consider a future rule change that would allow exceptions in extraordinary cases or at a judge's discretion. Changing a rule under a process set by federal law generally takes three years and requires public comment and the approval of the panel, the full conference of federal judges, the U.S. Supreme Court and Congress.

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"I have no notion

the Palestinians are using." — President Biden, remarks at the White House, Oct. 25

The Hamas attack on Israel on Oct. 7 killed more than 1,400 civilians and soldiers, according to count by the Israeli prime minister's office. Israel's response — a bombing campaign and now a major ground assault — had killed more than 9,400 as of Sunday, according to a count by the Gaza Health Ministry, which is controlled by Hamas, a militant group designated a terrorist organization by the U.S. State Department.

In any war, statistics on deaths are fuzzy and subject to change. Almost a month after the Hamas attack, the precise number of dead from that incursion is unclear, as 200 bodies remain unidentified. As of Thursday, Israel's Haaretz newspaper had published the names of 1,087 verified dead (719 civilians and the rest soldiers, police personnel and rescue service workers), with names being added daily.

The daily death count released by the Gaza Health Ministry has helped stir protests around the world, as the total has quickly exceeded the number of dead suffered by Israel. The Israel Defense Forces said it conducted more than 11,000 airstrikes in the Gaza Strip, a seaside area that is only twice the size of D.C. and has a population of more than 2 million.

At an Oct. 25 White House news conference, a reporter began a question to Biden by noting that "the Hamascontrolled Gaza Health Ministry says Israeli forces have killed over 6,000 Palestinians, including 2,700 children."

Biden's dismissal of the ministry's statistics — that he had "no confidence" in them — was striking. The State Department has regularly cited ministry statistics without caveats in its annual human rights reports. The U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA),



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Relatives mourn people killed in a military strike Oct. 22 in Deir al-Balah in the central Gaza Strip. A U.N. agency that tracks deaths in the conflict has found the Gaza Health Ministry's numbers reliable.

conducting its own investigation. "Past experience indicated that tolls were reported with high accuracy," an OCHA official told The Fact Checker.

Medhat Abbas, the Gaza Health Ministry's director general, said in an interview that he was so disturbed by Biden's comment that he ordered his staff to release a 212-page document with the name of every victim identified so far — including age, sex and identity number. The list included almost 7,000 names.

With any numbers, there are caveats. Questions also have been raised about the ministry's statistics after a still-murky incident at al-Ahli Hospital was said to have killed nearly 500 people. So let's explore whether Biden's opinion of the statistics has a factual basis.

### How the Gaza Health Ministry collects data

Abbas said the ministry primarily relies on death certificates from hospitals and morgues in compiling its daily counts of the number of dead in the conflict, which is then collected in a computerized system. In the document released after Biden's comment, which was current through Oct. 25, the deadliest day was Oct. 24, when 756 people were reported killed, followed by Oct. 23, when 704 were reported killed, and Oct. 17, when 678 were reported killed. The hospital incident took place

Oct. 17. And for each day, more children than adults were listed as killed. On virtually all days with the notable exception of Oct. 17, the day of the hospital incident — more males than females were reported as killed.

In its death counts, the ministry makes no distinction between the deaths of civilians and combatants. Neither does it list whether a person was killed because a Palestinian rocket aimed at Israel fell short of its target and crashed into a populated area of Gaza. The ministry lists only aggregate totals.

OCHA, when it does its own post-conflict reports, seeks to determine the percentage of combatants. After a 2012 clash, for instance, OCHA determined there were 2,133 deaths in Gaza, of which 644, or 30 percent, were combatants.

In 2014, the New York Times analyzed 1,431 names listed by the ministry as being killed in a war with Israel that year. The newspaper found that the population most likely to be militants, men ages 20 to 29, was the most overrepresented in the death toll. That population represented 9 percent of Gaza's residents but 34 percent of those killed.

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names on the 2014 list and said it concluded that 47 percent were militants. Yossi Kuperwasser, a retired Israeli brigadier general affiliated with the center, said the center has no plans to analyze the names released in the current conflict, because of a lack of resources.

Whatever the percentage of combatants, there was little disagreement about the number of Palestinians killed in the 2014 war. The Gaza Health Ministry said 2,310, OCHA said 2,251, and Israel's Foreign Ministry said 2,125.

### How the hospital-blast deaths were reported

Around 7 p.m. local time on Oct. 17, an explosion occurred at al-Ahli Hospital. About an hour and a half later, the Gaza Health Ministry reported on its Facebook page that Israel had targeted the hospital. The source of the explosion remains unclear. A Washington Post visual investigation found that the damage was not consistent with an airstrike and probably not consistent with an artillery shell, but reporters could not conclusively determine the cause. Israel has denied responsibility and blamed an errant Palestinian rocket.

An hour after the blast, the ministry said most of the dead

the next day, about 23 hours after the explosion, that the ministry posted an official count of 471 dead.

But almost immediately after the attack — about two hours news organizations began to report that a ministry spokesman had said 500 people were killed. The speed with which the estimate was produced called into question its accuracy.

Yet the very first reports in Arabic that were attributed to a Health Ministry spokesman referred to 500 "victims," using an Arabic word suggesting casualties, which could include those injured. Confusingly, another post referred to "500 victims falling," which could mean dead. At almost the same time, Al Jazeera quoted a Gaza civil defense spokesman as saying 300 people were killed, also suggesting the death toll was not as high as 500.

But about the same time, an unnamed ministry spokesman was quoted by Al Jazeera and Reuters in English as saying 500 people were killed. The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, based in Ramallah in the West Bank and not associated with Hamas, appeared to make it official with its own post: "Israeli warplanes bombed Al-Ahli Arab hospital (Baptist Hospital) in the center of Gaza City, resulting in the martyrdom of 500 Palestinians, including children and women.

The news reports sparked demonstrations across the Arab world and in other countries. But when dawn broke and clear images of the explosion site were visible, the damage appeared less extensive than imagined. U.S. intelligence sources said that the death toll was "probably at the low end of the 100-to-300 spectrum."

Abbas, the ministry director, said he saw many estimates the night of Oct. 17, including one that said 800 dead and another one claiming as many as 1,300 dead. "At the end of the day, the death certificates totaled 471," he said a number that happened to closely track the initial reports.

Omar Shakir, the Israel and Palestine director at Human Rights Watch, said that in his experience, the ministry's numbers are "generally reliable." But he made a distinction between estimates given in the heat of the moment and the official count that the ministry death toll," he said.

An Israeli strike Tuesday on Gaza's Jabalya refugee camp killed or wounded 400, the ministry initially said, a more cautious statement than after the hospital incident.

The White House did not provide an on-the-record comment. When asked about Biden's comment, State Department spokesman Matthew Miller said, "We don't have any way to make an accurate assessment of our own about the number of civilians who have died in Gaza. There is not an independent body that's operating in Gaza that can provide an accurate number. But we do have skepticism about everything that Hamas says."

White House national security spokesman John Kirby told reporters Tuesday that "we certainly are not taking the Ministry of Health's numbers at face value," but "we are convinced that there have been many thousands of civilian deaths in Gaza thus far in the conflict."

### **The Bottom Line**

The president appeared to show excessive skepticism when he commented that he had "no confidence" in the Health Ministry's figures and that he "had no notion that the Palestinians are telling the truth" about the death toll. The Gaza Health Ministry has had a pretty good track record with its death estimates over the years, notwithstanding that it is part of the Hamas-run government, and Biden is in a position to know that.

The initial reports on the hospital strike attributed to the ministry do give pause, however. Two hours is too soon to count 500 casualties, even if not all are dead - and one could be skeptical about the fact that the final count came so close to the initial estimate. But Biden was not asked about the hospital strike; he was asked about the aggregate number, which then stood at 6,000. A week later, the reported figure had risen by 2,000. With the numbers so large, whether a particular incident killed 300 people or 500 people seems less relevant.

The president could have noted that on the basis of previous Israel-Hamas wars, about one-third of deaths were likely to be combatants. But he swept all the numbers away as

Palestinians are telling the truth about how many people are killed. I'm sure innocents

which tracks deaths in the conflict, has found the ministry's numbers to be reliable after Terrorism Information Center, an Israeli organization, released a detailed report on the first 152 were women and children. Subsequent posts referred to a "massacre," but it was not until releases at the end of the day. "The statements must be distinguished from the aggregate not credible. That's his opinion but it is remarkably uninformed by history and precedent.

# Divisions over the Israel-Gaza war are tearing the Democratic Party apart

### BY MARISA IATI

President Biden was speaking at a campaign event in Minneapolis a few days ago when a rabbi stood up and yelled that Biden needed to back a cease-fire in the Middle East.

Biden replied that he supports a pause in the fighting between Israel and Hamas until more Hamas-held hostages can be released. Security officers then escorted the heckler out as she sang "cease-fire now" while others in the audience chanted, "Four more years."

Biden told the crowd that he understood that the conflict was emotional for many. "This is incredibly complicated for the Israelis," he said. "It's incredibly complicated for the Muslim world, as well."

The rare heckling of the president at a Democratic fundraiser encapsulated an impassioned division that is setting party members against one another more bitterly than any other issue has in recent memory. These raw emotions, focused on Israel's conduct in the aftermath of the Oct. 7 Hamas attacks inside Israel, threaten to inflame disputes among Democrats for years to come, at a time when the party had otherwise maintained a notable unity in the face of Republican disarray

And the collision is increasingly erupting in public, creating a spectacle of division.

When Biden recently addressed an LGBTQ+ group, an audience member interrupted by shouting, "Let Gaza live! Cease-fire now!" When Vice President Harris spoke at Northern Arizona University on Oct. 17, a student pressed her about "crimes committed against those in Palestine." At the first campaign event for Rep. Dean Phillips (D-Minn.), who is running a long-shot race for president, Phillips found himself in a heated back-and-forth over Israel with an attendee, who was removed.

At town halls and pro-Israel rallies, crowd members boo and shout. Late Friday, Rep. Rashida Tlaib (D-Mich.) accused Biden of supporting the "genocide" of Palestinians, adding that Americans will remember his actions when he faces reelection in 2024. A Jewish Democratic group, on the other hand, is running ads against Tlaib, an American of Palestinian descent and outspoken advocate for Palestinians.

After nine House Democrats voted against a resolution condemning Hamas, Rep. Josh Gottheimer (D-N.J.) wrote on X, formerly known as Twitter, that they "are despicable and do not speak for our party." Rep. André Carson (D-Ind.), among those opposing the measure, retorted on CNN the next day that Gottheimer was a "coward" and a "punk." "Ifhe wants to play some kind of tough guy or gangster, we can handle it like gentlemen, or we can get into something else," Carson said.

Gottheimer said in a statement that he would be happy to have a discussion with his colleagues. "I'll sit down with Mr. Carson anytime to talk about how we can bring the hostages home, including all Americans, provide immediate humanitarian aid to Palestinian civilians being used as human shields, and crush Hamas and all terrorists seeking to do us harm," he said.

While most elected Democrats remain strongly supportive of Israel, a Gallup poll published in March found that more of the party's voters said their sympathies lay more with the Palestinians than with the Israelis.

Israel's current attacks in Gaza appear to be bolstering that sentiment. On Friday, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu rejected pleas from the United States for a bombing pause, while an Israeli strike on an ambulance killed 15 people, according to the Gaza Health Ministry.

Other issues previously have exposed divisions between liberal and moderate Democrats. Liberals argued after the 2010 signing of the Affordable Care Act that it did not go far enough, for example, and tens of thousands of people protested economic inequality during the Occupy Wall Street movement in 2011.



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Rep. Rashida Tlaib (D-Mich.) on Friday night accused President Biden of supporting a "genocide" of Palestinians.

The party's factions had reached something of an informal truce in recent years, as Biden pushed through liberal legislation and Democrats unified against former president Donald Trump, but the schism over Israel's attacks in Gaza - and how the United States should respond - has brought the dispute to a new level of ferocity. The long-running conbetween Israel flict and Palestinians is deeply personal for many Americans, especially those with Jewish or Arab roots, and outbreaks of antisemitism and Islamophobia in the United States have brought emotions to a boil.

The split has become increasingly apparent in recent weeks as officials and voters spar over the United States' approach to the conflict, which the Biden administration fears could spiral into a broader war. More than 1,400 people were killed in Hamas's Oct. 7 rampage in Israel, according to Israeli officials. The Gaza Health Ministry says more than 9,000 people have been killed in the Israeli offensive in Gaza since then.

Demonstrators have been arrested outside the White House. Government officials and staff members have resigned. Rep. Ilhan Omar (D-Minn.) in mid-October reposted a cartoon posted by Yanis Varoufakis, a former Greek finance minister, on X that shows Biden telling Netanyahu, "We support Israel's right to defend itself with any war crime of its choice."

After Gottheimer criticized Omar and other Democrats who voted against the resolution to condemn Hamas, he softened his tone.

"Right now, many people are hurting, and it's more important than ever for us to talk to each other," he wrote on X. "Moving forward, that is my commitment to all of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle."

The dissent has been particularly pronounced among younger liberals and in Arab and Muslim communities, and that is likely to escalate as Congress continues to debate Biden's request to send Israel about \$14 billion of aid. The Republican-controlled House passed a bill Thursday tying the aid for Israel to cuts to the Internal Revenue Service, a measure the Senate says it will not take up and that Biden has said he would veto.

Former congressman Steve Israel (D-N.Y.) said that although the division among Democrats is real, it is not insurmountable. He urged the Biden administration

not to make national security decisions on the basis of electoral considerations as a presidential election year approaches.

"You can't give Hamas a break in Gaza because you're concerned about voter turnout in Brooklyn," Israel said in an interview.

Some elected Democrats have tried to remind one another that they hold common values. The White House has emphasized that Biden is pushing for humanitarian aid to Gaza and has called for pauses in the fighting, even as he believes Israel has a right to defend itself. The president also has repeatedly drawn a distinction between Hamas militants and Palestinian civilians.

Rep. Jamie B. Raskin (D-Md.) pushed Israel to seek to protect civilians in Gaza while waging a "just war" of self-defense. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.), who has called for a cease-fire, said family members of hostages have told her they support both innocent Israelis and Palestinians who are in harm's way.

"I believe deeply that the majority of people of all kinds do not want to see Gaza leveled and innocents killed, & that they feel and hold the pain of Israeli families destroyed," Ocasio-Cortez wrote on X.

Sen. Chris Murphy (D-Conn.), a staunch supporter of Israel and a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, issued a statement Thursday supporting Israel's right to defend itself — but also saying it must change course.

"The current rate of civilian death inside Gaza is unacceptable and unsustainable," Murphy said. "I urge Israel to immediately reconsider its approach and shift to a more deliberate and proportionate counterterrorism campaign, surgically targeting Hamas and Islamic Jihad leaders and terrorist infrastructure while more highly prioritizing the safety of civilians in accordance with the law of armed conflict."

As the war unfolds, the division may be harder to bridge.

Some Democrats calling for a cease-fire are newly at risk of fac-

ing primary challenges. Omar, Rep. Cori Bush (D-Mo.) and others have drawn Democratic challengers who cite their criticism of Israel as a motivating factor.

Tlaib has been a particular source of angst for some fellow Democrats. The House briefly entertained a motion to censure her over her comments on the war before voting to table the measure. And the group Democratic Majority for Israel released a TV ad on Thursday attacking her for her positions on the conflict.

Central to some Democrats' anger were Tlaib's remarks blaming Israel after an explosion at a hospital in Gaza last month. While Hamas initially blamed Israel, Israel denied responsibility, and U.S. intelligence officials have since said they believe the cause was an errant Palestinian rocket. Tlaib, however, refused to retract her statement. "You are on the right side of history," she told a pro-Palestinian rally outside the U.S. Capitol last month.

At a pro-Israel rally in Boston last month, Sen. Edward J. Markey (D-Mass.) was booed when he called for "a de-escalation of the current violence." Moments later, Rep. Jake Auchincloss (D-Mass.) seemed to contradict his colleague. "De-escalation is not possible when they are taking hostages," Auchincloss said to cheers. "And Israel did not ask America to de-escalate on Sept. 12, 2001."

The confrontation at Phillips's campaign event began with a 23year-old Democrat standing up to ask Phillips to call for a cease-fire. Phillips responded by asking her how she feels about "Israeli babies" and "hostages in Gaza who were brutally murdered." He said he was horrified by seeing "Palestinians slaughtered" but did not answer the voter's questions about a cease-fire.

The event in New Hampshire eventually devolved into a shouting match, and an audience member accused Phillips of gaslighting the voter before walking out. More people chimed in to accuse Phillips of gaslighting.

Staffers then escorted the voter out of the town hall.

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### ELECTION 2024

**BY TIM CRAIG** IN PITTSBURGH

s Democrat Sara Innamorato jumped on a table to rally supporters at a union hall recently, she cast her campaign for Allegheny county executive as a precursor to the battle for Pennsylvania in next year's critical presidential and congressional elections.

"What we do in this election sets the groundwork for what we are going to do in 2024," said Innamorato, 37, a former state representative. "We got to hold Sen. [Robert P.] Casey's seat, and we got to hold the White House."

Innamorato's Republican opponent, banking executive Joe Rockey, also has been storming around this county that includes Pittsburgh with his own subtle references to 2024. Rockey often says that he won't support former president Donald Trump for another term as president and that his victory would reward a politician who is trying to shift the county - and the Republican Party nationally - back toward moderation. He casts Innamorato, until 2019 affiliated with the Democratic Socialists of America (DSA), as too extreme.

"I stand here representing the middle, and my view that the middle is the true view of Allegheny County," Rockey, 58, said as he campaigned at the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh. "We have an opportunity in this election to put leadership in charge that will solve the problems of Allegheny County and do it in a centrist manner."

With high-profile races this fall largely limited to campaigns for governor in Kentucky and Mississippi and the fight for control of the Virginia legislature, the littlenoticed Allegheny county executive contest has emerged as a barometer of the national mood. It will help gauge how far to the left Pittsburgh-area voters have moved in recent years, or whether a backlash to Democratic rule is building in an urban area like those that will be key to the party's 2024 success. The contest will also cement which party controls the local elections board next year in a state where losing Republicans sought to overturn the 2020 results

If Rockey wins, the elections board would have a 2-1 Republican majority. One of the members is Samuel DeMarco III, a Rockey supporter, county council mem-



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A polling place in Pittsburgh in 2018. Pittsburgh is part of Allegheny County, where Tuesday's county executive election has emerged as a barometer of the national mood a year out from the 2024 presidential contest.

# County executive contest in Pittsburgh foreshadows 2024 presidential race

It involves ideological divides and how elections are run, two topics expected to dominate next year



to turned to politics in 2016 as a supporter of Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.).

Shaken by Trump's ability to win Pennsylvania that year, Innamorato said, she then focused on local politics by joining the DSA's Pittsburgh chapter. In an interview, Innamorato said she was drawn to the socialist group's support for universal health care. In 2018, Innamorato ran for the Pennsylvania House, using her DSA affiliation on a campaign built around liberal ideas. She unseated a five-term conservative Democratic incumbent, Dom Costa, in a district that includes hip, gentrifying Pittsburgh neighborhoods and working-class suburbs. She stepped down from the seat in July to focus on her county executive race.

crat" — became ill and could no longer work. Rockey said he relied on government support for everything from food to braces, and he vows to preserve the county's social safety net.

"I have experienced people in need, because I was a child in need," Rockey said.

An accountant, Rockey joined PNC Bank in 1999, eventually rising to the bank's chief risk officer. Rockey says at his core he's always been a moderate, but refuses to say whether he voted for Trump in 2016 and 2020. He won't in 2024, he said, because Trump "represents that divisiveness of politics."

At the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh event, he repeatedly praised some of Biden's legislative priorities, including the infrastructure bill and a measure to boost semiconductor manufacturing. But Rockey insists this campaign is not about national issues, which is one reason he refuses to discuss his position on abortion.

"My personal views on abortion are irrelevant," said Rockey, noting abortion is regulated by the state and not individual counties. Democrats are also trying to

shift voters' focus to his funding. Two political action committees are spending heavily to support him. One, Save Allegheny County, is running an ad that shows Innamorato dancing at a street festival and accuses her of wanting to "defund the police" due to her past association with the DSA. The group's national bylaws advocate cutting police budgets "annually towards zero," but Innamorato said she does not subscribe to that view. The Commonwealth Leaders Fund, a group heavily funded by Pennsylvania conservative Jeff Yass, gave \$100,000 to Save Allegheny and another \$100,000 to another PAC supporting Rockey, Middle Path Action Fund.

According to Spotlight Pa., an investigative state news consortium, Yass also donated more than \$2 million to Republicans in statewide judicial races this year — many of which are being fought over the issue of abortion rights.

In an interview, Rockey said he doesn't know Yass. Yass referred questions to Matt Brouillette, treasurer for the Commonwealth Leaders Fund, who insisted the donations were intended to boost Republican turnout for statewide judicial candidates, not to support Rockey.

Rockey also scoffed at suggestions that he would make major changes to how Allegheny County elections are run ahead of 2024.

ber and chair of the local GOP, who signed up to be a false elector for then-President Donald Trump amid Republican efforts to seize the 2020 victory from Joe Biden.

An Innamorato victory would affirm a Democratic majority on the board. Both candidates insist they would govern the board fairly, but suggest the other would side with partisans to benefit their party.

County elections boards in Pennsylvania have broad power to determine the printing and distribution of mail ballots, access to drop boxes and the counting of provisional ballots. In the 2020 presidential election, it was ballot counting in Allegheny County that pushed Biden ahead in Pennsylvania, enabling television networks to declare he had won the White House.

"These boards have a significant amount of power," said Irwin W. Aronson, a Harrisburg-based elections attorney who added that board actions once seen as benign, such as installing drop boxes, have become partisan flash points.

About 1.2 million people live either in Pittsburgh or the middleclass suburbs and small manufacturing towns that surround it in Allegheny County. The state is a perennial battleground — and will be in 2024, with 19 electoral votes for the presidential winner.

In 2020, Biden won Pennsylvania by 82,000 votes after turning out historic numbers of Democrats. Biden received 59 percent of the vote in Allegheny County, the best showing for a Democratic presidential campaign in 32 years. In the 2022 U.S. Senate race, John Fetterman (D) received 63 percent of the vote in his home county of Allegheny, en route to a statewide win.

"But Allegheny County has never been as blue as Philadelphia," said Chris W. Bonneau, a political science professor at the University of Pittsburgh. "So much depends on the candidates."

Although Democrats hold a 253,000-person voter registration advantage over Republicans, Allegheny County occasionally elects Republicans to countywide office. Allegheny's first county executive under its current form of government, Republican James Roddey, served from 2000 to 2004.

Local and state Republicans are spending millions of dollars to try to defeat Innamorato, arguing that her past DSA affiliation

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ABOVE: Democrat Sara Innamorato, center, tours the Persad Center, which serves the LGBTQ+ community in Pittsburgh, with the center's Sarah Rosso, left, and Innamorato staff member Ronnie Lopez in 2019. BELOW: Republican Joe Rockey campaigns in Pittsburgh in October. Innamorato and Rockey are running for Allegheny county executive in Tuesday's election.

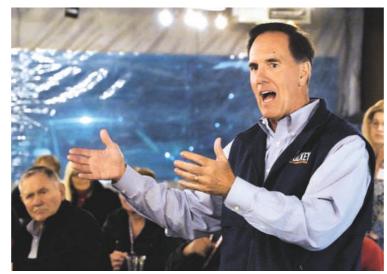
makes her unelectable.

"We have the best candidate that we could possibly have, and we believe they have the weakest candidate they could have," De-Marco said. "She wants to make this county a 'laboratory for progressive ideas' ... and I don't want to see it here."

But state Rep. Dan Miller (D), whose district is in Allegheny County, believes Democrats will turn out for Innamorato because they understand the stakes. Miller and other Democrats accuse Rockey of being supported by "MAGA extremists," a reference to Trump loyalists.

Rockey also has refused to take a position on abortion, for which Democrats have hammered him. Although abortions are largely regulated by state law, Allegheny County has two abortion clinics, which increasingly serve women who travel from out of state.

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independence, and someone who doesn't," said Miller, Democratic whip in the House. "He speaks out of one side of his mouth and says he is not Trump, but everything about the operation that is fueling him, funding him and moving him is that MAGA crowd."

After a career spent working for nonprofit agencies, Innamora-

Innamorato said she quit the DSA in 2019 because she felt the organization had lost focus on its economic message. Still, Innamorato said, elements of the socialist philosophy appeal to her.

"I would argue, when you have people who can afford a helicopter pad at their home, and then you have folks who are simply on the streets, that leaves a lot of room for the scales to be rebalanced," she said. As to GOP claims that she is too liberal for Allegheny County, Innamorato said she remains a "pragmatic progressive."

"That means, you have to recognize you can't be a purist," said Innamorato, adding that she will work on mainstream concerns like affordable housing, clean air and water, and expanded access to health care and mental health services.

Rockey has focused on public safety, homelessness and blight that has worsened since the coronavirus pandemic began in 2020.

"She is offering Portland-San Francisco-esque leadership to Allegheny County," Rockey said in an interview. "And that is not what we are offering."

Rockey is emphasizing the hardships he endured while growing up. He tells voters he was only 5 years old when his father an autoworker and "union Demo"I don't come in here with a belief there has been an issue with elections in Allegheny County," Rockey said. "So you wouldn't come into that part of the job with a reason to make change."

With just days to go until Tuesday's election, the outcome of this race may hinge on whether local or national issues are top of minds when residents vote. After Blair and Lynne Jacobson heard Rockey at the Jewish Federation event, the two lifelong Democrats decided they would vote for him. He came across as a moderate, they said.

"There are too many people on the extremes, on both sides," said Lynne Jacobson, 80. "I think someone in the middle can better represent a range of people."

But at Innamorato's union hall event, labor activist Darrin Kelly said he was going to do everything he could to turn out voters for Innamorato. Kelly showed off the Allegheny Labor Council's war room, where maps and computers were arrayed to help volunteers contact about 100,000 union members in the county.

This year, the war room was working for Innamorato. But the effort is also a dry run for the 2024 presidential race, he said.

"Next year will be the biggest election in the history of this country, and we know that race comes right through Western Pennsylvania," Kelly said.



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Allegheny County elections officials in Pittsburgh on Nov. 4, 2020. This week's vote will determine which party will control the elections board next year.



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Campaign signs for Joe Biden and then-President Donald Trump in Pittsburgh ahead of the 2020 election. Biden won 59 percent of the vote in Allegheny County.

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elections, the battle for control of Congress is as tight as it possibly could be and might be headed for one of the

Exactly a year out

more historic outcomes ever. Needing a net gain of just five seats to claim the majority, House Democrats are close to an evenmoney bet to prevail Nov. 5, 2024, according to a survey of top nonpartisan analysts, with 11 Republican seats in deep-blue California and New York among the Democrats' top targets.

Democrats are trying to buck almost 75 years of history in which the House majority has not changed hands during a presidential election cycle.

And Senate Republicans, needing a two-seat gain for a full majority, enter 2024 without a single seat of their own in jeopardy, so far, as Democrats defend three seats in states Donald Trump won easily in 2020 and four others the ex-president lost narrowly.

All this turmoil has created the possibility of a historic anomaly that would befit the incredibly volatile political climate of the past three decades: Never before have the House and Senate majorities switched hands in the same election with a different party taking over in each chamber.

Amy Walter, the editor of the Cook Political Report, labeled this the era of "both incredible stability and volatility all at once." So many voters reflexively support their political team that neither party can gain much of an edge, but these majorities are changing hands at a historically unusual pace.

The House has flipped five times since the 1994 elections, the Senate six times.

The post-World War II era of Congress had a similar but brief period of flip-flopping majorities. But the 1954 elections started a 40-year run in which the House remained Democratic and the Senate majority changed just twice

As Nathan Gonzales, the editor of the nonpartisan Inside Elections, noted, the result is that both chambers are locked into such close ranges that predicting majorities is like a roll of the dice.



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Never have the House and Senate majorities switched hands in the same election with a different party taking over in each chamber. A year out from the 2024 vote, a historic anomaly looks possible.

Even the outcome of the presidential race, with a rematch of Trump against President Biden appearing likely, could produce strange down-ballot effects because of the differing political territory each party is targeting.

"Republicans can win the Senate by simply winning states that Trump could win in a presidential loss. And Democrats can win the House by winning districts Biden could win in a presidential loss," Gonzales said.

Think about that: A narrow Trump win in the electoral college could give the GOP a Senate majority, but could come with Republicans losing the House, while a narrow Biden win probably would help Democrats reclaim the House but not do enough to help them hold the Senate.

Recent political events that have dominated the news cycle such as the Israel-Gaza war or the three-week-plus shutdown of the House during the GOP's speaker melodrama - might not have any impact a year from now on the small percentage of undecided voters in those few House districts and Senate races that will determine the outcomes.

"Things that would have had huge consequences back in the

1990s – impeachment, House speaker chaos, a January 6th type of event – only move things slightly on the margins," Walter said.

In eight of the last 17 presidential campaigns, the victor helped his party down ballot but not enough to deliver a House majority. In two other races -2000 and 2016 - the Democratic nominee won the popular vote while losing in the electoral count, helping gain a few seats, but the GOP majority held on in the House. (The other presidential contests ended with a winner whose party already held the House and retained control.)

Recent midterm elections have brought political upheaval: Five of the last eight resulted in the House majority changing hands.

But the coming House elections are considered a tossup, the best chance the minority has had to win the chamber in a presidential year since 1952, when the House GOP swept to the majority after Dwight D. Eisenhower's landslide victory for the White House.

Gonzales's Inside Elections rates 16 GOP seats in its most competitive range, either pure "toss-up" or a "tilt" toward the

Republicans. Just 10 Democratic seats fall into those categories. The Cook report has a similar range, with 15 GOP seats and nine Democratic in the most competitive range.

Dave Wasserman, a senior editor and analyst with the Cook report, laid out some stark numbers for House Republicans in an essay published Wednesday: • 18 Republicans hold seats in districts that favored Biden in

2020 • 11 of those are in California

and New York, deeply Democratic states that expect much better liberal turnout in a presidential election.

• A majority of those endangered Republicans are freshmen, with less brand durability built up on the basis of their voters.

• Democrats are defending just five seats in districts won by Trump.

By some estimates, House Republicans whiffed on eight seats last year because of far-right candidates who were out of touch with most voters.

Wasserman credited House GOP leaders with an early focus on raising money directly into their incumbents' campaign coffers, putting less focus on

donations to the National **Republican Congressional** Committee. That approach has produced a median cash on hand of \$1.4 million for endangered Republicans, as of Oct. 1, more than triple the cash-on-hand median for their Democratic challengers, according to Wasserman's analysis.

This is a new focus for Republicans, who have spent the past several elections relying on a dozen or two megadonors who give seven- and eight-figure checks to their super PACs, the Congressional Leadership Fund and the Senate Leadership Fund, trying to offset the overwhelming fundraising edge that Democrats have with individual, small-dollar donors

Inside Elections and Cook are awaiting the resolution of legal disputes about the redrawing of congressional district maps, along with better information about some potential retirements, before getting into detailed overall predictions about the House. Republicans are poised to gain several seats in North Carolina, barring the outcome of lawsuits, but Democrats should pick up a few seats from newly drawn districts in the Deep South to meet a Supreme Court ruling to uphold the Voting Rights Act.

A potential new map in New York state could give Democrats the overall edge, very slightly, in this bout of redistricting.

"Developments that used to seem like drops in the bucket a court striking down a redistricting map here, a retirement or special election there – have taken on outsize importance," Wasserman wrote. In the Senate, currently 51-49 in favor of the Democrats, the

biggest wild card, just as in the House races, isn't likely to be the national political environment.

It's the looming decision of Sen. Joe Manchin III of West Virginia, who is considered the only Democrat who could possibly win in that deeply conservative state.

Should Manchin, 76, retire, Republicans should easily win that seat and Democrats would be forced to win every other competitive race and retain the White House to maintain control of the Senate.

The majority in a 50-50 Senate will be determined by whoever holds the vice president's tiebreaking vote in 2025, as was the case in 2021-2022 with Democrats and Vice President Harris.

The Trump effect remains a key concern for Senate Republicans, after they saw poor candidates closely aligned with the expresident lose four 2022 races that should have been a coin flip, at least.

The GOP believes Dave McCormick, the runner-up in the 2022 U.S. Senate primary in Pennsylvania, and Tim Sheehy, an aerospace chief executive in Montana, are those types of candidates - and both are super rich and can self-finance their races

But in Arizona, Trump-fixated Kari Lake is the front-runner, and in Ohio, a multicandidate field has emerged with the top contenders trying to run to the right.

Charlie Cook, the unofficial godfather of American political analysts and the founder of the Cook report four decades ago, believes Trump, not abortion rights, played the biggest role in saving Democrats from big losses in the 2022 midterms.

From the 2018 midterms to 2022, Democrats' vote total dropped from about 61 million to 51 million in all 435 races for the House, Cook estimated, with Republicans going from 51 million to 54 million.

The 2018 races provided extraordinary liberal anti-Trump energy, except in deeply conservative states, which helped Senate Republicans gain two seats as Democrats picked up more than 40 and won the House majority.

In the 2022 midterms, moremainstream Republicans held up just fine, or won big, in congressional and gubernatorial races. If Trump is on the ballot again, his presence should energize those voters in conservative states such as Montana but also energize liberal voters on the coasts

That could help shift the Senate to Republicans and the House to Democrats.

"I don't think," Cook said, "the two chambers flipping in opposite directions is so crazy at all."

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### **ELECTION 2024**

# DeSantis presses but loses ground on both sides of Republican divide

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with dozens of early-state voters. as well as pollsters and strategists, show.

The GOP minority that disapproves of Trump - and that favored DeSantis before he and most other candidates announced - has splintered to other hopefuls. Boosted by them and by independents, former U.N. ambassador Nikki Haley has surpassed DeSantis in New Hampshire and, in one poll released Monday, pulled even with the Florida governor in Iowa, where DeSantis has poured his resources

At the same time, DeSantis has struggled among Trump supporters, losing ground with those who approve of the former president, who has used his four criminal indictments to re-energize a base that once looked readier to move on from him. And DeSantis has struggled on both ends to make personal appeals that resonate. with a stiffer presentation than freewheeling Trump.

Now, DeSantis is left in a perilous position with just over two months until the first nominating contest, mired in a second tier of candidates well behind Trump.

"He's done good for the state of Florida, but it doesn't seem to resonate for the rest of the country," said Glen Pesquera, 69, who votes Republican and says he is still "listening" to everyone, as he made his way out of a Manchester, N.H., diner that proudly advertises all its visits from 2024 candidates.

Despite his appeals to the Trump base, DeSantis has at times tried to offer something for everyone, eliciting sometimes discordant descriptions of his candidacy from voters.

To some in Iowa and New Hampshire, he was a "fresh voice" and a "true conservative," unlike Trump. To others he was "America First" or, to those who disdained him, a "Trump wannabe." They said he stood for "freedom" and "families" and fighting wokeness in schools, with his record in Florida sometimes defining him despite his months-long efforts to talk in national terms.

DeSantis's average support in national polls of the GOP primary dropped from over 30 percent in March to 24 percent in May, when he officially joined the race, to 14 percent now.

Faced with that slide, DeSantis's team has focused most of its attention on Iowa, where it hopes intensive campaigning and a sophisticated ground operation will turn the tide against Trump. De-Santis-aligned operatives note that a pro-Trump super PAC is resuming ad spending there against DeSantis – after earlier signaling that it was focused on the general election - and that polls show a growing share of voters considering candidates besides Trump, who holds a large polling lead.

But Haley, rather than DeSantis, has been gaining there, with a highly anticipated Des Moines Register/NBC News/Mediacom poll on Monday showing both Halev and DeSantis at 16 percent and Trump in the lead at 43. In a sign of Haley's rise, a pro-DeSantis super PAC has started to air ads against her.

Advisers and allies argue that Haley appeals to the anti-Trump wing with stances that alienate the rest of the GOP and that DeSantis is the only candidate who can bridge those camps with most of his voters migrating to Trump if he drops out. Anti-Trump voters will eventually coalesce behind whoever can beat the former president, they say.

'The reality is this party is going to nominate somebody ... that has a record of delivering on America First principles," DeSantis said last month in New Hampshire, embracing that core identity even as he underlined moderate-friendly themes such as "economic vitality."

Speaking to voters last month at a bar in Creston, Iowa, DeSantis said he would enact Trump's ideas and take them further. He said he would "clean house" at the Justice Department, push to end the war in Ukraine and finish the wall at the southern border. He said that he would "make Mexico pay for it" by charging fees on remittances



Audience members listen to Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis speak during a meet-and-greet last month in Creston, Iowa. Facing a national slide in popularity, DeSantis's team has focused on the Iowa caucuses.

and that if drug traffickers tried to break through, they would wind up "stone-cold dead."

### Trump backers 'just not voting for him'

As DeSantis launched his campaign in May, adviser Ryan Tyson laid out the strategy to wealthy fundraisers who gathered at the Four Seasons Hotel in Miami. "Trump without the crazy" was how supporters saw him, Tyson said.

The "Never Trump" voters in the party were saying DeSantis was too much like Trump, he added, but they made up about 20 percent of the GOP. Tyson was more focused on what he called "soft" Trump voters. "These voters here in this segment are going to collapse to the governor," he predicted.

Trump has instead consolidated support, surging back from a low point after last year's midterm elections, when many Republicans blamed him for their losses and took note of DeSantis's

landslide reelection victory. Indictments on a slew of criminal charges, starting in March, galvanized the base and rallied the party back to Trump's side, all as the former president attacked De-Santis. "I am your retribution,"

Trump has told voters. Some DeSantis allies debate whether he should have announced earlier, to capitalize on his post-midterms momentum. Maybe, they say, he should have hit Trump hard from the start. They lament certain comments like DeSantis's dismissive statement about a "territorial dispute" in Ukraine – as unforced errors. But mostly they view Trump's resurgence as a force beyond De-Santis's control.

"To this day he has a very high favorable rating among those favorable to Trump," said Charles Franklin, who directs the Marquette Law School Poll. "They're just not voting for him."

Dennis Martin, for instance, worries that Trump's indictments will be a distraction and even says, "I don't like Trump as a person." The 57-vear-old from a suburb of Des Moines is considering Trump, DeSantis and Vivek Ramaswamy, a first-time candi-

race.

Trump has benefited from an advantage in earned media - the term campaigns use for television, online and print news coverage — as voters get "a steady diet of two things: Biden sucks. They're coming after Trump," said one DeSantis adviser, who added that the former president's edge has shrunk.

'This nomination won't be won with a silver bullet, but instead with a three-yards-and-acloud-of-dust approach," DeSantis campaign spokesman Andrew Romeo said in a statement, adding that "no one will outcampaign or outorganize" the Florida governor.

### Losing ground among moderates

The same positions that have aligned DeSantis with the GOP base have alienated many centrists who were initially drawn to him. They point to the six-week abortion ban he signed in Florida; his combative tone; his fight with Disney over classroom restrictions on discussion of LGBTQ+ issues; and his declaration that the United States had no vital interest in a "territorial dispute"

condition of anonymity to protect his privacy and went to a DeSantis town hall in New Hampshire, said the governor had every credential he could want in a candidate but lamented in a recent interview that he was "divisive" like Trump and said that he felt drawn, later on, to Halev's tone and appeal for consensus on abortion. Kevin Donohue, an independent who plans to vote in the New Hampshire primary, said he was drawn to DeSantis's military service – he is also a veteran – but worried the governor was "an intimidator rather than a solver."

DeSantis operatives sav it's unsurprising that voters interested in a Trump alternative would shop around as the race heats up, and they point to candidates who have popped and then deflated. Many moderate voters who have policy differences with DeSantis said those differences aren't dealbreakers if he's the best bet against Trump.

But DeSantis's decline with that group has opened the door for Haley to vie for the role of primary Trump alternative - particularly in New Hampshire, where Haley has focused her efforts and where moderate Republicans and undeclared voters could play an especially large role.

CNN polls of Republican primary voters there found that De-Santis's support dropped across many subgroups from midsummer to September but took a particular dive with self-described "moderates" - from 26 to 6 percent. Haley, whose approach to abortion and support for Ukraine aid have helped her appeal to centrists, benefited from an opposite trend.

At recent Haley events in Iowa, including a multicandidate gathering, many voters said that they were leaning toward Haley after narrowing their shortlists to her and DeSantis, often citing the former U.N. ambassador's foreign policy experience.

### Threading the needle, creating a muddle

Throughout this year, DeSantis has tried to thread the needle on some divisive issues as he navigates clashing wings of the party, at times appearing eager to satisfy one, only to later nod to another.

He's embraced strict abortion bans at the state level but often

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date who has also embraced the Trump agenda.

But Martin is also outraged at the charges against Trump, thinks he did "a hell of a job as president" and says he's leaning toward supporting slightly Trump again.

Heading to breakfast in nearby Ankeny, David Melssen said he had been following DeSantis's response to the war between Hamas and Israel. "Great man. He sent an airplane to bring back Americans," he said immediately when a reporter mentioned DeSantis's name.

Asked if he would vote for De-Santis, he said: "Yeah, if Trump decides that Ron DeSantis is the guy to back."

While DeSantis has started making his case against Trump more directly, polls and studies from a range of groups have found that GOP voters are remarkably resistant to critiques of the former president. One DeSantisaligned strategist said they were flabbergasted when criticisms of Trump's coronavirus response fell flat in focus groups and sometimes backfired on DeSantis.

Many voters were furious about lockdowns, mandates and former White House coronavirus adviser Anthony S. Fauci, but they were "simply unwilling to attach any of that blame on Trump," said the strategist, who like others spoke on the condition of anonymity to describe nonpublic findings. This person said the indictments appeared to make Trump even more immune to criticism.

Trump also has forged a more personal connection with many Republican voters who say they view the former president as a vessel for anger at the country's "elite." DeSantis has spent far more time than Trump has mingling with voters on the trail this year, but he has struggled to shake criticisms that he's stiff or rehearsed.

"Trump's deal is, he's working for us," said Bryan Richardson, a 54-year-old from Ankeny, who called DeSantis his second choice.

Hopeful DeSantis allies point to how his pitch has resonated with some longtime Trump supporters, such as Joe Thomas, 38. Thomas likes DeSantis's opposition to "identity politics" in schools; says Trump failed to "drain the swamp"; and hopes DeSantis's support will grow as more "normie" voters - less dialed into politics - tune into the

in Ukraine, which unnerved top donors.

In March, one Marquette Law School Poll found, DeSantis was winning about 45 percent of registered Republicans who view Trump unfavorably – even more than his 32 percent support among those with a favorable view of Trump. In late September, he was in the teens with both groups.

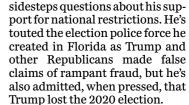
Jennifer Hodgdon, an independent who plans to vote in the Republican primary, said DeSantis has aligned himself too closely with the Trump core of the party to appeal to her.

"I think he's going for a base that is probably Trump's base, even though he's trying to not be Trump," Hodgdon said. "I'm not sure how that's going to work out for him."

One voter, who spoke on the

"To this day he has a very high favorable rating among those favorable to Trump. They're just not voting for him." **Charles Franklin,** 

director of the Marquette Law School Poll



At the first GOP debate, when the moderators asked who was opposed to more U.S. funding for Ukraine, DeSantis raised his hand. But he didn't rule out some funding, telling the debate audience that U.S. support should be "contingent" on other countries ramping up theirs.

Some donors who revolted over DeSantis's Ukraine comments in the spring are eyeing Haley as a better fit.

At the same time, any move to assuage conservatives more hawkish on foreign affairs can stoke suspicion from the party's "America First" flank.

Shortly after the first debate, at a packed Pizza Ranch in Garner, Iowa, one voter told DeSantis that he was troubled by his comments on foreign policy. It seems like "you're in favor of sending more of my money over to the corrupt nation of Ukraine," he said. De-Santis tried to clarify: He had called for Europeans to take charge and was focused on American problems like the southern border with Mexico.

The same day, a reporter asked if DeSantis would "cut off other aid to Ukraine if Europe doesn't step up their commitment."

"Europe needs to step up their commitments," DeSantis said.

Dylan Wells contributed to this report.



Guests watch as Republican presidential candidate DeSantis speaks during a town hall in Hollis, N.H., on June 27.

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informal, and entertaining news formats, often delivered by influencers rather than journalists," the Reuters Institute report says, adding that consumers are looking for news that "feels more relevant."

That's certainly the experience of Al-Khatahtbeh, who built an audience upon the realization that "there was no mainstream outlet that focused on the Muslim community," he said, which makes up a quarter of the world's population. On TikTok alone, @Muslim's follower count is larger than the average daily audience of 1.1 million people watching Fox News.

"These creator pages that cover

undercut the authority of legacy news organizations, draining support from newsrooms that are a primary source of original reporting.

While many online news creators are, like Al-Khatahtbeh, trained journalists collecting new information, others are aggregators and partisan commentators sometimes masquerading as journalists. The transformation has made the public sphere much more "chaotic and contradictory," said Jay Rosen, an associate professor of journalism at New York University and author of the PressThink blog, adding that it has never been easier to be both informed and misinformed about world events.

# Content creators move into the mainstream

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> Infowars, who was banned from YouTube and other mainstream platforms for violating hate speech policies.

According to a recent Pew Research Center report, a majority of people who regularly get news from these alternative platforms "identify (66 percent) as Republicans or lean toward the Republican Party, in contrast with the news consumers on more established social media sites, who largely identify as Democrats or lean Democratic." Many news content creators on these platforms claim to be independent journalists but are backed by powerful special interest groups and conservative political activists. Rumble is financed by tech venture capitalists Peter Thiel and J.D. Vance, an Ohio Republican serving in the U.S. Senate. These creators tend to focus on polarizing topics guaranteed to generate outrage among their conservative followers and attract coverage by national news outlets, feeding political divisions. For example, after trans TikTok influencer Dylan Mulvaney put up a sponsored Instagram post for Bud Light, right-wing news content creators including Michael Knowles and Matt Walsh of the Daily Wire orchestrated a harassment campaign against her and a boycott of the beer. The boycott garnered widespread coverage in mainstream media, resulting in the chief executive of Anheuser Busch, which makes Bud Light, issuing an apology. Right-wing influencers also sparked a widelycovered controversy over Target merchandise during Pride Month in June.

up in Tenafly, N.J., with a mother who worked as a teacher and a father who worked in sales. Marcus started his first blog, about the New York Mets, at age 11. By the time he was 12, his blog was receiving as many as 4,000 page views a day.

"People didn't know how old I was at the time I was sharing news about the Mets," he said. "I had a podcast on Blog Talk Radio; my voice hadn't even cracked yet." At 17, Marcus became enamored with breaking news when a

bomb exploded during the 2013 Boston Marathon, killing three people and injuring nearly 300. An avid Reddit user, Marcus skipped an entire day of classes to follow live updates about the bombing. He watched as the Reddit community pieced together information in real time, faster than any broadcast news organization. Instead of refreshing CNN.com. Marcus listened to a live stream of the Boston police scanner. After several hours, the crowd on Reddit claimed to have identified the perpetrator, a missing Brown University undergrad whose family was immediately inundated online with attacks and death threats. Marcus later was horrified to learn the internet had named the wrong man. "When it came out that it wasn't the guy, and seeing what the internet had done to him and his family, that really stuck with me," Marcus said. "That the internet can be a very dangerous place for news if it's not used responsibly." Today, Marcus is best known as Quentin Quarantino, his alter ego on an Instagram news page started in the early days of the pandemic. All day every day, he shares breaking news updates on world events with his 1.1 million followers, "becoming an actual outlet for people to check news," he said. Other Instagram accounts including the Shade Room, Diet Prada, DeuxMoi and Comments By Celebs also deliver up-to-theminute information via social media, becoming entertainment news powerhouses with dozens of staffers, millions of followers and related books and podcasts. Sports pages such as Hoops Nation break news faster than ESPN.

worked for 15 years in traditional media at outlets including Bloomberg, CBS and Fox News, where he served as a campaign reporter. He helped launch CBSN, the organization's digital streaming network, and was named executive producer of the "CBS Evening News" broadcast in 2018. He left the network in 2019.

When the pandemic hit, Oinounou was taking a break from television, so he began updating people about the news on his Instagram account. Before he knew it, thousands were tuning in. He now has more than 416,000 followers on the app, a podcast, a newsletter and a paid premium tier for his news content. Fans can book shout-outs (short, personal-

news stories have more impact and reach than traditional media," Al-Khatahtbeh said.

While a few national publications such as the New York Times and The Washington Post have seen their digital audiences grow, allowing them to reach hundreds of thousands more readers than they did a decade ago, the economics of journalism have shifted.

Well-known news outlets have seen a decline in the amount of traffic flowing to them from social media sites, and some of the money that advertisers previously might have spent with them is now flowing to creators. Even some outlets that began life on the internet have struggled, with BuzzFeed News shuttering in April, Vice entering into bankruptcy and Gawker shutting down for a second time in February.

The trend is likely to continue. "There are no reasonable grounds for expecting that those born in the 2000s will suddenly come to prefer old-fashioned websites, let alone broadcast and print, simply because they grow older," Reuters Institute Director Rasmus Kleis Nielsen said in the report, which is based on an online survey of roughly 94,000 adults in 46 national markets, including the United States.

As a profusion of independent online producers of news programming has risen to prominence, the ramifications for society are still coming into focus. One positive impact is a more diverse media ecosystem, where a wider array of voices can challenge narratives fashioned by the gatekeepers of traditional journalism. But that also serves to "The internet makes possible much more content, and reaching all kinds of people," Rosen said. "But it also makes disinformation spread."

Johnny Harris, a journalist whose YouTube channel has more than 4 million followers, covers global news and geopolitical conflicts and conducts deep investigations into targets such as the Mormon Church and the flat earther movement. He rejects talk of a decline in American journalism.

"It's always uncomfortable for me being in these rooms where there's so much doom and gloom about journalism and the business of journalism," Harris said. While journalism is experiencing "a major disruption," he said, "this is a transformation to fit the technology and the preferences of audiences."

Harris once worked for Vox, a news and opinion site founded in 2014 by journalists from The Post and Slate. His switch to YouTube has been so successful that he recently recruited another former Vox journalist to launch a second channel. He hopes eventually to build a network of journalist content creators and operate "effectively a music label for independent journalists."

Harris won't say how much he makes from YouTube, but the social media analytics platform Social Blade estimates that he could be earning more than \$900,000 a year in advertising revenue alone.

Harris acknowledged "some scary downsides" to the changing media landscape, particularly the rampant spread of misinformation. But those downsides are countered by the benefits of servguidelines that are guideposts in more traditional newsrooms, especially creators who seek to build audiences based on outrage. That was the case last year, when actor Johnny Depp sued his actress ex-wife Amber Heard for defamation over a Post opinion column she wrote that said she'd been the victim of "domestic abuse." Though the column did not name Depp, a jury in Fairfax County, Va., ruled in Depp's favor.

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digest it," he said.

The trial became a sensation on TikTok, Instagram and YouTube, as men's rights activists, rightwing media figures and others with an ax to grind joined Depp's legions of fans in lending their support. Many online commentators with no stake in the outcome played to this crowd, posting misogynistic pro-Depp content for profit. As the internet turned against Heard, trial coverage evolved into a smear campaign against a woman whose claims of abuse had been ruled "substantially true" in 2020 by the judge presiding over Depp's failed libel suit against the Sun, a British tabloid. One 20-year-old content creator in Los Angeles posted a dozen pro-Depp videos about the Virginia trial to Instagram, where he has more than 1.4 million followers. "Personally, what I've gained from it is money – as well as exposure from how well the videos do," he told The Post at the time, adding: "If you hop on it early, it can basically change your life.'

Several social media platforms have emerged to serve conservative audiences. Rumble, BitChute and Telegram give right-wing creators a place to monetize, becoming magnets for accounts banned elsewhere, such as Alex Jones of

### 'A very dangerous place for news'

Navigating social media as events unfold in real time can be tricky. Tommy Marcus, 27, grew

Mosheh Oinounou, a content creator and founder of Mo News, his own online news brand, ized video messages) from Oinounou on the app Cameo. He's also on TikTok.

"I felt like, okay, there are lifestyle influencers, there are travel creators, there are financial creators. And, like, why not, like, why not also do news on this platform?" he said. "I found a community that really likes this platform and this format, and frankly, really distrusts traditional media. They're looking for a handful of individuals who they trust instead on various topics, and that includes the news."

With deep roots in traditional journalism, Oinounou says he is meticulous in his reporting. He cites his sources, couches information and tries to provide unbiased, nonpartisan facts. He knows his audience would be larger if he leaned right or left, he said, but he doesn't want to sacrifice his integrity – or lose the trust of the audience he's built. After Hamas terrorists launched a cross-border attack into southern Israel on Oct. 7, CNN brought him to its morning program as a commentator.

"When you're delivering the news in a country that has recordlow trust in the media, part of that has to do with the lack of trust in larger brands," Oinounou said. "I think it's important that all journalists are building credibility directly with the audience."

Many news creators have arisen on TikTok. V Spehar is an independent journalist and podcast host who has amassed more than 3 million followers under the handle @Under-TheDeskNews, reporting on breaking world events in videos taken from beneath a desk. (The Post has contracted Spehar to

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At left, posts from the Instagram feed for Mo News. At right, a few of science and technology journalist Cleo Abram's YouTube videos.

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contribute to its TikTok account.) Bianca Graulau, an independ-

ent journalist from Puerto Rico, has amassed a large audience by covering news affecting that U.S. territory. King Asante, a Gen Z news content creator with 1.5 million TikTok followers, recently expanded by launching a show on Snapchat and posting videos covering breaking news and pop culture on Instagram and YouTube Shorts.

Cleo Abram, a science and technology journalist who worked as a producer on Vox's series Explained, left the organization in 2021 to be a full-time creator. She now has more than 1.1 million followers on TikTok, more than a million subscribers on YouTube. and a dedicated fandom who look to her for news on the latest advances in science and technology

Meredith Lynch, a TikTok creator in Los Angeles who posts investigative videos on topics ranging from pop culture to the private equity industry, said TikTokers not only hop on breaking news, but often surface scoops before traditional outlets.

"The internet drives news cycles," she said. "It moves quickly, faster than traditional news."

News content creators can have difficult relationships with the platforms on which their businesses depend. Shortly after Meta launched its Twitter clone Threads, head of Instagram Adam Mosseri posted on the platform that he didn't intend it to be a place for news and journalism. TikTok doesn't have a news partnerships liaison or anyone dedicated to helping journalists use the platform.

Snapchat initially cut deals with big news publishers when it launched its "Discover" program, allowing organizations to create unique shows. But it eventually tapered off those partnerships and has recently focused more on influencer-driven content, such as YouTube celebrity David Dobrik documenting his daily life.

YouTube has bucked this trend. This spring, the platform organized an incubator program for news content creators in the United States, Canada and Australia. The 16-week online workshop offered independent journalists tips on entrepreneurship and strategy for features like YouTube Shorts and other YouTube best practices.



News influencer Ameer Al-Khatahtbeh, who has a degree in journalism, launched his own online news brand after finding that there was no mainstream outlet that focused on the Muslim community.

"Another part of it was the networking with each other," said Ant McCormack, co-founder of Changer Studios, which organizes courses to help YouTubers. "They can learn a lot from each other."

News industry experts are watching the shifting media landscape with a mix of skepticism and curiosity. Bill Grueskin, a professor at Columbia Journalism School, called the rise of news influencers "the logical conclusion of the atomization of news media and an extension of trends that have been happening for quite a while."

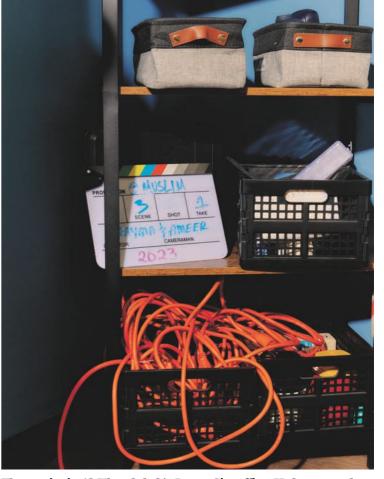
"I hate to say it," Grueskin added, but it also marks "the diminishing importance of a lot of traditional media in the eyes of the under 35 demographic."

Grueskin said he worries about

the loss of original reporting as

most news content creators simply aggregate or comment on news from traditional sources. "I'm not trying to say that giving opinions about something isn't important, but ultimately it relies on the quality of the underlying information, which is done through actual journalism," he said.

However, the primary source of much of that journalism – legacy



Electronics in Al-Khatahtbeh's Jersey City office. He has more than 5.3 million followers on his @Muslim account on Instagram.

media institutions - is viewed with growing distrust, especially among young people, said Edward Wasserman, a professor of journalism and former dean of the Graduate School of Journalism at the University of California at Berkeley. National news publications that rely on access to people in power or serve primarily wealthy audiences deliver coverage that often feels out of touch with average people, he said.

Newspapers covering local news garnered a higher level of trust, he said, but many of those outlets are now gone, leaving national outlets to shape the public's perception. Those outlets have not elevated issues many young people care about, such as climate change, he said.

"The media is not holding [political leaders'] feet to the fire, they're not going to the White House and saying when are you guys going to stand up and do something [about climate change], and what kind of sacrifices are in order?" Wasserman said. "That kind of leadership is

something that the press should be clamoring for."

This role is increasingly being filled by content creators, many of whom reject the neutrality of traditional journalism in favor of reporting that takes a stand. Elise Joshi, 21, is a member of Gen-Z for Change, a political collective of young activists with large social media followings. In August, Joshi interrupted White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre at an event on voter engagement to ask questions about the administration's decisions to greenlight oil-drilling projects.

After Joshi posted a video of the interaction to TikTok, where she has more than 150,000 followers, people applauded her for asking questions they felt the rest of the news media had ignored.

Whatever happens to famous media brands, Wasserman said, such moments prove that news reporting will survive.

"For all of what we're seeing which looks like a repudiation of journalism," he said, "there are a lot of people who want to do it."



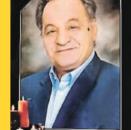
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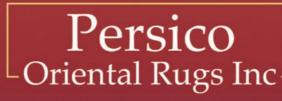
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# Guardian system has few guardrails

### GUARDIANSHIP FROM A1

When a judge agreed, Hulse lost basic freedoms: He couldn't spend his own money or decide where to live. The lifelong Republican who had just cast his ballot in the 2020 presidential primary even lost his right to vote. He was quickly moved to a nursing home. His new guardian, a woman he had never met, began selling his house and his belongings.

Hulse had joined 1 million Americans in a guardianship, a court-sanctioned arrangement created to protect vulnerable people – some young, but many elderly. The system has been widely criticized for inviting abuse and theft. Local judges give extraordinary power to a guardian, including access to the bank account of the person in their care, despite a lack of effective ways to monitor them. When excessive billing, missing money and other abuses are discovered, guardians are rarely punished. Prosecutors are keenly aware they were appointed by a judge.

As America ages, there is new focus on this legal arrangement, especially in Florida, a mecca for seniors where state officials have called the rising number of elderly the "silver tsunami." Already, Florida has 2 million residents 75 or older — more than the entire population of 14 other states. Many moved here from other parts of the country, far from family, and are showing up alone in emergency rooms.

What happened to Hulse over the past three years shines a light on the serious flaws in this government system and on the hospital pipeline that thrust Hulse into it. During the coronavirus pandemic, more hospitals went to court to seek guardianships; it was a way to legally move out patients and free up beds. Today, the practice quietly continues as an efficient way to discharge elderly patients who cost hospitals money the longer they stay.

"This should scare people to death," said Rick Black, the founder of the Center for Estate Administration Reform who has exam-





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ined thousands of guardianship cases and has seen a rise in hospitals initiating them. "This is a common practice nationwide, and its adoption is growing."

In court, the Orlando hospital requested that Hulse be assigned Dina Carlson, a 51-year-old former real estate agent who became a professional guardian. After a judge assigned her, Hulse was immediately moved out of the hospital and into a nursing home. Carlson's sale of his home raised suspicions because of its seemingly low price in a hot market, and an inspector general's investigation later found "probable cause" of exploitation of an elderly person and a scheme to defraud.

Carlson denied any wrongdoing, and no criminal investigation was ever opened. "I am a little bit salty about this whole thing," Carlson said in an interview. She said she wanted "to be a ray of sunshine" for elderly people.

Guardianships are not well understood. Rules vary by jurisdiction, and key information is often sealed by judges.

"People don't realize how abusive the system is," said Pinellas County Circuit Court Clerk Ken Burke, who led a recent Florida task force to improve guardianships. "If they knew, there would be bigger cries for reform."

Very often, the person in a guardianship is unable to publicly complain and has nobody in their life to do it for them.

But it turned out Hulse did have family, and they were searching for him.

### A pilot who thought he would live forever

Douglas Hulse was born in 1939 and raised in McLean, Va., where his father was a lobbyist for the trucking industry. In the 1950s, Hulse enrolled in a Florida college and became a pilot.

Like his father, Hulse was a Republican who loved to talk politics. He also drew caricatures of every president in the last half century. After flying Henry Kissinger and Alexander Haig, former Republican secretaries of state, he proudly showed off photos he took of them to his sister, niece and nephew.

He never married or had children. He kept busy, teaching flying and taekwondo. But when he retired he spent more time alone. Five residents on his street in Lake Mary, near Orlando, said they barely knew the tall, blue-eyed neighbor. He had lived there 25 years, longer than many in a transient place.

Raymond Charest, president of the Seminole County Gun and Archery Association, said that in the 1990s Hulse taught members about how to safely handle and store guns but that recently he wasn't involved in the club. "I would see him shooting out there. But it was just, 'Hey, how are you doing?' and that was it."

Katie Thompson, Hulse's niece, said for years her uncle regularly visited her mother, father, brother and her in the Philadelphia area. She also went to see him at his three-bedroom Florida home full of exceptional items he collected in his travels, including a Las Vegas-style slot machine.

But his visits stopped when his sister, Katie's mother, developed dementia before she died in 2018. Hulse had seen his own mother die the same way. "I think it just got too hard for him," his niece said.

After Hulse's only sibling passed away, he became harder to reach, but he eventually responded to calls and emails.

After his stroke, Hulse was confused and apparently unable to tell anyone to call his family. It's unclear what efforts the hospital made to track down any relatives.

Geo Morales, a spokesman for the Orlando Health South Seminole Hospital, said he could not discuss details of Hulse's case because of privacy laws. He emailed a statement that said the hospital works "with various community partners in an attempt to reach next of kin. However, reaching a patient's next of kin is not always possible."

"We are seeing more of these patients with dementia and other ailments who live alone and/or are estranged from relatives," Morales said in an email. He strongly urged people to draw up a will or designate someone to make their health decisions and to note this in their medical file.

Hulse had not. In these cases, court records show, hospitals often turn to guardianships, even though they are widely considered a last resort and difficult to reverse.

### A safety net built for a different era

For generations, judges have

been assigning a relative or close friend as the protector of someone unable to make their own decisions. But more people are socially isolated and have no one they can count on at the end of their life. Even many people with close relatives are estranged from them.

In many societies, family members of different generations live under one roof. But one of the most dramatic shifts in the American lifestyle is single-person households. Many live alone beginning in their 20s and by the time they are in their 80s, most live by themselves.

So judges now often assign professional guardians, a person paid to care for someone they don't know. Carlson told the court she was already caring for 18 others when she was assigned to Hulse. Carlson charged him \$65 an hour, according to her bills filed in court. When a judge signed off, she paid herself from Hulse's bank account.

In some states, the only requirement to be a guardian is to be 18 years old. Florida has more requirements including a background and credit check. But still, compare the 40-hour training course with, for instance, the 900 educational hours required to become a licensed barber.

Yet these caretakers control people's lives and money. In just one Florida county, Palm Beach, guardians control about \$1 billion, according to Anthony Palmieri, deputy inspector general for the Palm Beach Circuit Court.

"You have your nail techs and tennis pros — their business is not so good and they want something more lucrative and they're jumping into guardianship," Palmieri said.

But adding an independent monitor from outside the court, a frequent recommendation, is expensive. "The system would be cured, in my opinion, by the Department of Elder Affairs taking responsibility for guardianship" said Burke, the Pinellas court clerk.

In Florida, even funding a statewide guardianship database was a battle. Currently, there isn't an official number of how many people are in them; best estimates are about 50,000. Each county keeps its own records, and some do that better than others. When the database goes online, it will give the first statistical snapshot of the system.

Critics have called for a uniform system with more oversight. But several Florida officials said those who benefit from the current, complex system, including lawyers, impede reform. Efforts to make attorneys' fees in these cases more publicly visible have also failed.

"There are a lot of great attorneys out there," Burke said. But the court clerk said there has been pushback from the Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section of the Florida Bar, adding, "It's a trade union for all practical purposes, and it protects their members and the fees they receive."

These attorneys are influential in the state legislature, where their expertise is often sought to draft laws related to guardianships and estates.

John Moran, chair-elect of the Florida Bar's Real Property, Probate and Trust Section, said far from blocking improvements, it has stated policy positions that seek reforms, including more transparency. Asked why legal fees cannot be more readily known, Moran cited privacy concerns of the incapacitated person. He also emphasized that "no lawyer gets paid without a judge approval."

So the system with few guardrails continues. Court clerks audit guardians' reports that detail how they spend the money of the person in their care, among other things. Any irregularities are to be flagged to a judge. But clerks are swamped, with little time to read through a case file that is often thousands of pages.

Grant Maloy, the Seminole County court clerk, said his office has a far bigger caseload today than 15 years ago yet a smaller budget.

The judges are overloaded, too. Pinellas County has two judges and two magistrates overseeing 3,000 guardianships — in addition to other types of cases.

No witness or body camera accompanies a guardian into a person's home. They are trusted to accurately inventory all valuables in their court report. "There could be \$5,000 stuffed under the sofa, and if the guardian pocketed it, who would know?" said Burke, the Pinellas court clerk.

The task force organized by the state clerks and comptrollers last year said hospitals should find a less drastic way to deal with patients costing them money, such as authorizing someone to be their power of attorney or health surrogate. It also sought a ban on requesting a specific guardian because that raises concerns about the guardian's allegiance — is it to the patient or the hospital giving them work?

A Washington Post review of guardianship records in central Florida found scores of recent petitions by hospitals seeking a guardian for patients 65 and older, and many asked for a specific professional guardian.

### Hulse's guardianship

In April 2020, when Hulse was ready to be discharged, a staff member of the Orlando hospital signed a petition to the court stating that he had "no one to take care of the financial and medical decisions."

Hulse, like most patients over 65, was covered by Medicare. It pays the hospital by diagnosis, not length of stay, an attempt to stop excessive billing. Generally it pays a hospital \$23,000 for an elderly stroke patient in Orlando, a sum that assumes a five-day stay. After that, a hospital starts losing money. A new patient in the same bed would bring in thousands of dollars a day.

The American Hospital Association said more patients are staying "excessive days" and has lobbied for increased Medicare payments. Many hospitals are also overwhelmed by people who are homeless or have a mental illness and other patients unable to pay their bills. An AHA spokesman also said a hospital may initiate a guardianship but a judge approves it.

Laura Sterling, an attorney hired by the Orlando hospital, recommended Carlson as Hulse's guardian. In Florida, lawyers represent guardians in court, and Sterling was Carlson's lawyer. In her court filing that requested Carlson, Sterling does not mention that if Carlson was assigned, she also would be paid as her lawyer, at a rate of \$300 an hour.

Sterling did not respond to requests for comment. There is no Florida rule prohibiting a lawyer from representing both the hospital and the guardian the hospital recommended in the same case.

Moran, from the Florida Bar, said he could not speak for the lawyers' group but said that scenario raised "all kinds of red flags."

Sterling's role in Hulse's case was largely to file court motions. One sought approval for a monthly transfer of \$10,000 from Hulse's brokerage account to his checking account so Carlson could pay his nursing home and other bills. Another asked the court for \$2,925 for Carlson, for time spent opening Hulse's mail, arranging physical therapy and other tasks during her first four months. The money to pay Sterling and Carlson came from Hulse's accounts, which had more than \$1.5 million, according to a note in his file.

In August 2020, after Hulse had fallen five times at the Lake Mary nursing home, Carlson moved him to a smaller facility. She also started liquidating his possessions, reporting to the court that she sold his cars, paintings, a diamond ring, camera equipment and guns. Many items were sold in cash at an estate sale, according to neighbors who went to it. It's unclear how much Carlson reported earning for Hulse; most financial details are kept sealed.

In April 2021, Carlson signed an agreement to sell Hulse's house with Kimberly and Mark Adams, husband-and-wife real estate agents who lived in her gated community lined with palm trees, giving them a 6 percent commission, an amount typically split between the seller's and buyer's agents. Carlson quickly sold the home for \$215,000 before it was even publicly known to be on the market, according to the inspector general's investigation. A company called Harding Street Homes bought Hulse's home and resold it a few months later for \$347,000 - \$132,000 more than Hulse got for it. Efforts to reach the person who runs that company were unsuccessful.

Soon after the home was sold, Katie Thompson, Hulse's niece, expanded her search for her uncle. Busy with her job and her first baby, she had not realized for months that her brother and father also had not heard from Hulse. She was a legal researcher

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Jonathan Thompson holds a photo of his uncle, Douglas Hulse, as he and his sister, Katie Thompson, sort through old family pictures. For a year, Katie Thompson, who lives in Pennsylvania, did not know what happened to her uncle, who lived in Florida. Hulse's former home in Lake Mary, Fla.

who used Westlaw, an online legal database, and when she typed her uncle's name into it, she was stunned to see him listed in a guardianship case.

"How could the hospital do this?" she thought. Since older people end up in an emergency room, she figured there must be a system for contacting family. "If they just called me none of this would have happened."

In the days after Carlson became Hulse's guardian, she did not call his relatives, either. Carlson said it was unfortunate but no one's fault: "How does a person find out about somebody who doesn't live in the same state? About family who don't have the same last name? I didn't have anybody's name to Google."

Thompson has her own regrets. For one thing, she wished she had gotten on a plane earlier despite worries about the pandemic.

On top of everything else, she said, she and her brother were helping their father, heartbroken over the death of their mother. "I kept thinking if something was really wrong with my uncle I would have gotten a call," she said.

Thompson and her brother began calling those involved in the court case. But nobody answered their key question: Where was Hulse?

Finally, a court clerk advised them to write a letter to the court.

"We want to know where our uncle is, that he is safe and well cared for, and that his money was being well-stewarded so that he can remain so," Katie Thompson wrote on July 28, 2021, to Seminole County Circuit Court Judge Donna Goerner. "We want to be able to be in contact with him."

Months passed with no reply.

### A watchdog helping from her kitchen table

Around the start of 2022, Hillary Hogue was sitting at her kitchen table in Naples, Fla., scrolling online through guardianship cases, when she randomly clicked on Hulse's.

"I look for red flags and when you see a hospital is involved, it's a red flag," said Hogue. A single mom of two teenage boys, she became an unpaid citizen watchdog after her own horrible guardianship experience. To get her father released from one, she paid over \$100,000 in legal fees. He now lives with her.

Hogue knew other cases where hospitals did not notify relatives before setting in motion a hard-to-



Hillary Hogue, a citizen watchdog, searches through guardianship cases looking for red flags at her home in Naples, Fla. To get her father released from a guardianship, she paid over \$100,000 in legal fees. He now lives with her.

stop legal process. "It's just outrageous. Doesn't anyone care about Mr. Hulse?"

She zeroed in on the price of Hulse's home, which seemed remarkably low to her, especially after she looked up more information about it. Aware of other cases where guardians sold homes at bargain rates to friends or for kickbacks, Hogue filed a complaint with the office that regulates guardians, knowing it would draw scrutiny to Hulse's case.

Katie Thompson, meanwhile, inquired about getting her uncle released from his guardianship. The Florida lawyer she contacted told her that she could spend \$20,000 trying, with no guarantee of success. Hulse's health was worsening and soon, any hope she had of moving him to Pennsylvania so she could manage his care became less of an option.

In January 2022, Carlson finally contacted the family. She called Jonathan Thompson, Hulse's nephew, who believes her call was prompted by the family's letter to the judge six months earlier. "I guess the letter finally got to the top of someone's pile," he said. Carlson outlined Hulse's medi-

cal problems and said he probably had a series of strokes. Because of the pandemic, she said, for a long stretch at the start of the guardianship she had not met him in person. She offered to arrange FaceTime calls. and soon Katie and Jonathan were talking to Hulse about old family trips to Gettysburg, Pa., and Cape Canaveral, Fla.

But they were wary. A state investigator, spurred by Hogue's complaint, had called them, asking questions about Carlson.

They had their own questions: Since Carlson knew Hulse had the money for in-home aides why was he in a strange place that added to his confusion? Didn't she see their cards mailed to his home or their contacts in his phone? And, why would a former real estate agent undersell a home without advertising it?

### The investigation

In July 2022, the inspector gen-

eral's office issued a critical report, a copy of which was obtained by The Post through a Freedom of Information Act request.

It stated that Carlson, when seeking court approval for the sale of Hulse's home, submitted a "deficient, deceptive, and fraudulent" comparative market analysis supplied by Kimberly Adams, the real estate agent. Hulse's home was "undervalued" and not publicly advertised.

The inspector general's investigation also found no permits required for significant renovation. It concluded that after "superficial changes," Hulse's home was "flipped" for a big profit for the buyer — money that Hulse lost out on.

The inspector general's office, lacking the investigative power of law enforcement, including the ability to subpoena bank records, pushed for a criminal investigation. It urged law enforcement to look into the handling of Hulse home and two others Carlson sold with the same real estate agents, stressing it had found "probable cause" that Carlson and the real estate agents "engaged in a scheme to defraud."

Reached by phone, Kimberly Adams denied knowing anything about the inspector general investigation: "I honestly don't know what you are referring to ... I sell property all the time."

Mark Adams did not return phone calls.

Carlson defended her sale of Hulse's home. She told a state investigator that it was in "very poor condition," according to the inspector general report, and that "it wasn't safe to allow the general public" inside because there were "a lot of valuables in the house, a lot of guns and a lot of ammo as well."

But Hulse's family said he kept his guns in a safe, and Carlson billed Hulse for finding locksmiths to open his gun safe.

In The Post interview, Carlson said there are ways to improve the guardianship system but most importantly family should take care of their relatives. Then she quickly added, "In Doug's case, no one knew about his family."

Carlson did not answer questions about whether she saw the names and addresses of Hulse's niece and nephew on cards and gifts mailed to his home. She also distanced herself from hospitals: "I have never met anyone at the hospital. Lawyers do."

Carlson said she got Hulse's case when "a lawyer" sent an email to her and other professional guardians, asking if anyone had "the bandwidth" to care of another patient leaving a hospital.

In February, Katie Thompson did not meet Carlson when she flew to Orlando with her 3-monthold, her second child, to visit her uncle. He seemed comforted by the photos she brought of his childhood home in Virginia, of her mother and him when they were young. "He was very sick then. I was grateful for the time with him."

On March 16, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement said its preliminary inquiry found "no evidence" to warrant a criminal investigation "at this time," according to an email received in the FOIA request.

Advocates for the elderly say police and prosecutors often do not treat financial exploitation of elderly people seriously enough and are reluctant to sink time into cases where the only witness has dementia, if still alive.

Two days after the state declined to pursue a criminal investigation, Hulse died.

Carlson had prepaid for the same basic cremation package she purchases for many in her care. Hulse's family had his ashes buried with his parents on Long Island.

Katie Thompson received a small box from Carlson with photos and a few other items that belonged to her uncle. She and her brother are now waiting to learn what is left in his estate.

The Florida Department of Elder Affairs, after being contacted by The Post, reprimanded Carlson for her failure to file timely reports. Her penalty: She must take eight more hours of classroom training.

"Not even a slap on the wrist," said Hogue. "The result is the corruption continues, and it only gets worse, bigger and bigger."

Said Katie Thompson, "This system trusts a person to be a guardian angel, but people are not."

Alice Crites contributed to this report.



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### **ELECTION 2024**

# **Trump camp hopes for knockout** in Iowa, as others jockey for second



Supporters react as former president Donald Trump arrives for a rally in Dubuque, Iowa, Trump has rallied support for his presidential bid despite the 91 charges across four criminal indictments.

BY MARIANNE LEVINE, ISAAC ARNSDORF AND HANNAH KNOWLES

URBANDALE, IOWA — A largerthan-life cutout of Donald Trump's disembodied head floated on the wall, watching over stacks of thousands of signed caucus pledges at a campaign office. Nearby, 16 supporters attended a training to become caucus captains when Iowa holds the first Republican nominating contest in January.

They were charged with turning out Trump backers to their caucus locations and speaking there on behalf of the campaign. Their enticement: a limited edition white-and-gold MAGA hat. Their mission: to overcome complacency from polls showing Trump far ahead and help deliver a show-of-force win.

"When we deliver President Trump that 50-, 60-point victory, it's just going to suffocate all the air out of the room," the instructor said. "When we swamp 'em here, this thing's over."

With just over two months until the caucuses, Trump, who has rallied enthusiastic support as he faces 91 charges across four criminal indictments, is in a dominant position over his rivals in the state, interviews with local GOP strategists and officials, voters, campaign advisers and polls show. Below him sits a traffic jam of lower-tier candidates, including several intensifying their focus in Iowa. The dynamic leaves Trump for now insulated from any breakaway challenger and eveing a knockout blow, while others look for a strong enough showing to survive beyond the state. In the state many anti-Trump Republicans hoped would expose his weaknesses, Trump has instead maintained strength this year, running with near incumbent status and legal problems that have only galvanized his base. The widely respected NBC News/Des Moines Register/ Mediacom Iowa poll recently showed Trump with 43 percent support among likely GOP caucus-goers, followed by Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis and an ascendant former U.N. ambassador Nikki Haley, tied at 16 percent. The poll also found that Trump's supporters are more enthusiastic and committed to Trump, compared with Haley's or DeSantis's. "The race in Iowa is between Haley and DeSantis for second and for a combined vote of more than Trump's," said David Oman, a former state party co-chair who has been involved in the GOP's Iowa caucuses since they began in 1976, and is not committed in this race. "Trump talk of 40-, 50-, 60-point leads isn't true and won't be true in Iowa.' The former president's rivals continue to argue that if Trump is to be stopped or slowed anywhere, it's Iowa, a state he lost in 2016 before going on to win the Republican nomination. Trump has criticized the state's popular Republican governor, Kim Reynolds. He has clashed with evangelical leaders over abortion and other issues. And the super PAC backing Trump has stepped up its ad spending in Iowa, including on attacks against DeSantis, which DeSantis operatives see as a sign that the Trump team views the Florida governor as a threat. Still, several Republican operatives argue that unless the field narrows, Iowa remains Trump's to lose.

rest of the field," said Jimmy Centers, an Iowa-based Republican consultant who was previously a spokesman for the Branstad-Reynolds gubernatorial administration. "If Iowa is the hill to die on, I hope you have a lot of provisions. Because as the field currently stands, there is no path to beating former president Trump.'

While George W. Bush was the last Republican to win Iowa and go on to win his party's nomination in a contested GOP primary, Iowa's first-in-nation status gives it a critical role in winnowing the field. And this cycle, it could take on heightened importance: a big win for Trump could build insurmountable momentum for him heading into New Hampshire and the other early states. Yet rival campaigns hope that even a close second-place finish or against-the-odds upset could change the trajectory of the race. DeSantis's campaign is moving a third of his staff to the Hawkeye State; Haley recently expanded her operations; and Sen. Tim Scott (R-S.C.) declared last week that it's "Iowa or bust." Candidates have tailored their speeches to the state. Trump touts that he "fought for Iowa ethanol," stood up to China and delivered subsidies to farmers, an apparent reference to his administration's decision to subsidize farmers hurt by his trade war with China. DeSantis notes on the trail that he's the only candidate who's committed to visiting all of Iowa's counties and leans into issues popular with Iowans such as restricting Chinese nationals from purchasing farmland. Haley, in her Iowa remarks, praises GOP Sen. Charles E. Grassley, joking he would run circles around everyone else in the room while discussing her pitch for mental competency tests for politicians over 75. She also mentions Iowa when discussing China's expansion into the U.S., referencing the purchase of the largest pork producer. All of it is toward a goal of convincing a small slice of a population of about 3.2 million to participate in a unique process, where the number of caucus-goers can swing wildly from cycle to cycle and voters sometimes change their minds late. Roughly 187,000 people participated in the GOP caucus in 2016. In 2020, about 176,000 Democrats participated in the caucuses. Campaigns this year are expecting more than 200,000 people to caucus.

tions. During a Dubuque County GOP meeting in October, the county GOP secretary, Jayne Uelner, recalled her experience riding in the former president's motorcade, calling it "the most phenomenal thing we've ever done in our life."

Outside of a Trump "Commit to Caucus" event in Waterloo on a chilly Saturday morning, Jeanne Grimm, 66, and her sister-in-law Dalen Grimm, 71, did not identify as Republicans before Trump and did not caucus in 2016. But they plan to next year.

"It's probably the most important election we've had in years, in decades," Dalen said. In Urbandale, a show of hands indicated about half the trainees were first-time caucus-goers. Several doubled as the precinct chairs who would be in charge of running the caucus at their locations.

The campaign is targeting several different groups of voters, according to advisers who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss internal strategy, including reliable caucus-goers who have participated since 2016; those who caucused in 2020 but didn't vote in the 2022 midterms; and donors and rally attendees. The campaign is relying on peerto-peer texting, as well as phone calls from volunteers and staff, advisers said. The Trump campaign also went up in Iowa and New Hampshire last week with a new cable ad, seeking to contrast with Biden. The campaign said it has recruited 1,300 caucus captains, with multiple captains for some of Iowa's 1,656 precincts. Lois Gorman from Altoona has been a precinct captain and poll watcher before. When canvassers from other campaigns would show up at her door, she would invite them into her living room to show them a wall covered in Trump paraphernalia: a Trump flag, a photo, an autographed scrapbook, books by him and Melania Trump. "I get these phone calls, 'We're taking a poll, who's your second choice?' " she said. "Don't have one."

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At a Sioux City rally, Trump told the crowd that he owed them an apology, because he'd been predicting that he would easily win Iowa: "My people say you cannot assume that," he added. "Well we are, I think we're up by 47 points or something ... They said, 'Sir, it would be nice if you didn't say that - because you can't just assume, you know people may get upset.' "

Yet Trump's advisers are projecting confidence about their path forward, noting the difference between his bare-bones operation in 2016 when he lost by roughly 6,000 votes to Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Tex.) and today's efforts, which include caucus trainings and a database of voters. A senior campaign staffer said it has collected 41,000 pledges so far.

The campaign sees its work as more heavily anchored in turning out loyal supporters than persuading them and in Trump making one-on-one personal connec-

### DeSantis battles to be the alternative

DeSantis, once seen as the candidate best positioned to challenge Trump, has faded this year, and is now in a heated competition with Haley. DeSantis operatives argue they are laying the kind of groundwork that pays off late in the race, echoing the organizing-centric playbooks of past Iowa victors such as Cruz.

A super PAC supporting DeSantis, Never Back Down, has built a massive door-knocking operation and recruited local chairs in all 99 of Iowa's counties. And the Florida governor is campaigning with particular intensity in Iowa, on track to hit his 87th county last week. Never Back Down has gathered more than 30,000 commit-to-caucus cards and drew 60 people to its first precinct captain training recently. Never Back Down has also filled about half of the precincts with captains and has thanked those who have committed to caucus with care packages and handwritten thank-you notes from trainers. Meanwhile, the DeSantis campaign is running its first television ad of the race in the state.

"They can pound their chests all they want, but they know they will never be able to build the operation needed to win the caucus, nor can they repair the damage Trump has done with Republicans in the state," said

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Republican presidential candidate Nikki Haley greets guests during a campaign event on Oct. 21 in Pella, Iowa. She has been upping investments in Iowa, opening a headquarters in Clive.

Never Back Down chief operating officer Kristin Davison, speaking of the Trump campaign.

Lisa Johnson, 43, from Ankeny, is the kind of caucus-goer who will be crucial for DeSantis part of a large swath of voters who are open to both Trump and other candidates. Johnson doesn't care about Trump's "attitude" and says "he got stuff done." But she's still learning about De-Santis and says that so far she's impressed. "Who knows -Imight switch," she said.

Sue Higgins, a former Trump supporter who calls herself independent, said she's already sold on DeSantis - because the former president has accumulated lot of "baggage" and that "we need a clean start."

DeSantis has aggressively courted evangelical voters. Pastor Michael Demastus of Des Moines, who sees the race as between Trump and DeSantis, said there's a "swath of evangelicals" who will remain loyal to Trump. "They see the litigation that's happening against him as persecutorial, and so he's kind of held in a martyr sense," Demastus said. Yet he added: "There's a lot of people when it comes to Trump, they are tired of having to explain away his behav-



Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis has promised to reach all the counties in the state and has aggressively courted evangelical voters.

*"There's a lot of people"* when it comes to Trump, they are tired of having to explain away his behavior."

Haley leads DeSantis among those with a college degree 22 percent to 16 percent and women 44 and younger by a slightly wider margin, according to the survey

During a mid-October swing through Iowa, Haley stressed her foreign policy experience and focus on national security. Her experience as a U.N. ambassador won over many in the room, who cited increasing concern for the unfolding war in the Middle East. Several attendees said they had been deciding between Haley and DeSantis until recently, and that her foreign policy expertise is what won them over. Vivek Ramaswamy, who came in at only four percent in the Iowa poll, recently rented an apartment in Des Moines, and a campaign official who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss internal plans said to expect a shift in focus to the state after this week's debate - both in terms of resources and the candidate's physical presence.



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The recent Des Moines Register/NBC News/Mediacom poll had DeSantis and Trump tied for the largest share of caucusgoers selecting each candidate as their first choice, second choice or actively considering them - and echoed other surveys suggesting that Trump would gain if DeSantis dropped out.

"If we weren't doing well, we would not be the focal point of the attacks," DeSantis told conservative talk host Hugh Hewitt last week.

Chris LaCivita, a Trump campaign senior adviser, responded: "Of course our opponents are worried about any money we spend in Iowa. Because it illustrates that we're serious about kicking their a --."

Never Back Down has outspent other candidate-aligned groups on television ad buys in Iowa since the start of the year, investing \$15.6 million, followed by Trust in the Mission PAC, which is backing Scott and has spent \$12.7 million, according to data from AdImpact. SFA Fund, which is supporting Haley, has spent about \$11.7 million and

Michael Demastus. a pastor from Des Moines

MAGA Inc., which is pro-Trump, has spent \$7 million.

### Haley on the rise

Halev is seen by many Republicans as a more natural fit for New Hampshire and her home state of South Carolina, where she has spent considerable time campaigning. But she is upping investments in Iowa, opening a headquarters in Clive and hiring two new staffers with Iowa experience earlier this month: Hooff Cooksey, Reynolds's 2018 campaign manager, and Troy Bishop, the field director for Grassley's Senate race last cycle.

The former South Carolina governor has courted independents who plan to caucus with the Republicans in Iowa. In the latest poll, 22 percent of independents listed her as their first choice, up from 10 percent in August, but Trump still leads with that group at 33 percent.

Yet Linda Upmeyer, co-chair of the Iowa GOP, said it's hard to envision someone other than Trump winning Iowa.

"I wouldn't put my money anywhere else just based on numbers, not that polling is all perfect," she said. "But this isn't like a seven-point gap, or a five-point gap. This is significant separation between President Trump and any other candidate."

Dylan Wells and Emily Guskin contributed to this report





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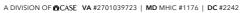
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# Soaring electric bills fuel effort in Maine to oust for-profit utilities

### BY EVAN HALPER

SACO, MAINE — Last December, Ellen McCurley was settling into a calm new life, savoring sunsets from the porch of a modest riverfront home with her dogs Sadie and Maisie, when a notice from the electric company turned it all upside down.

It was a nearly \$1,000 bill from Central Maine Power, more than quadruple what she paid the month before. And the bills kept soaring, topping out at \$1,200 by the end of March. She was sure it was a mistake but couldn't get the company to reduce the charges.

"I would call them and sav: 'This is not possible. Can you help me solve this?" recalled the 64year-old social worker, who shared copies of her bills with The Washington Post. "I felt like I was going crazy."

So McCurley began working to drive her power company out of business, joining a burgeoning national movement of consumers frustrated with power companies that they feel are unaccountable to ratepayers, and that have taken center stage in disasters such as this summer's devastating wildfires in Maui.

The epicenter of the resistance is in Maine, where voters – who have wrangled with outages, billing mishaps and some of the highest electricity prices in the country – are joining a campaign to replace the state's investorowned electric companies with a nonprofit utility. The campaign has drawn a coalition of the frustrated that cuts across ideological lines, including fed-up ratepayers and climate activists accusing the utilities of slow-walking the transition away from fossil fuels.

A ballot measure Mainers will decide on Tuesday calls for a hostile takeover of sorts, creating a nonprofit company called Pine Tree Power that would seize control of the state's electricity grid from Central Maine Power and Versant Power, the subsidiaries of multinational corporations that now own it. The shoestring campaign is an existential threat to the industry, moving the Maine utilities to spend more than \$35 million blitzing ratepayers with ads warning that the measure threatens to create massive public debt,



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Ellen McCurley outside her home in Saco, Maine. Fed up with \$1,000 electric bills, she is working to drive her for-profit power company out of business. A measure on her state's ballot Tuesday would create a nonprofit company called Pine Tree Power that would seize control of the electric grid.

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"The burden of that debt would be enormous," said Willy Ritch, executive director of Maine Affordable Energy, a political action committee funded almost entirely by Central Maine Power's parent company, Avangrid. Central Maine Power spokesman Jonathan Breed argued that the company has resolved billing and customers service problems that earned it millions of dollars in fines from the state, and that the challenging topography of Maine accounts for the high number of outages. Breed said the company could not respond to the specific  $complaints \, of \, McCurley \, and \, other$ customers interviewed by The Post for privacy reasons.

Yet all the spending on advertising disparaging the ballot measure is giving customers one more grievance with firms they say should be investing the money in bringing them better service. Pine Tree Power supporters are working with a meager \$1 million budget but some high profile support, including the Sierra Club, Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) and environmentalist icon Bill McKib-

their customers not seen in decades," said Michael Wara, an en-However things play out on Election Day, the Maine campaign ergy scholar at Stanford Univeris a sign of what utilities nationsity. wide increasingly face as consum-As challenges mount, interest er frustration boils over. The comin taking utilities out of corporate panies are under more stress than control is growing. In California, at any time in recent memory.

state leaders had mulled a takeforced to respond to a confluence over of Pacific Gas and Electric of events that demand nimble acafter deadly wildfires pushed the company into bankruptcy. Hawaition while operating under a dated financial and regulatory modian Electric, facing scrutiny of its equipment's role after the Maui Extreme weather events are wildfires this summer, finds itself creating unprecedented reliabilitargeted by activists for dissoluty and public safety risks. The tion.

A flash point in the debate is the way corporate utilities make their profits, collecting hefty interest payments from ratepayers on the big power grid projects the companies bankroll. Pine Tree Power proponents say a public utility can save ratepayers billions on such investments, as its goal would be financing projects as cheaply as possible rather than generating profits for shareholders.

"If these utilities were run by the government, at least there would be some responsiveness," said Gerald Singleton, a California attorney whose firm has represented 15,000 plaintiffs in wildfire lawsuits against utilities. "If you don't like how it is being run, you can vote the people in charge out. With investor-owned utilities you are just stuck."

But putting the government in charge can bring its own set of problems.

Publicly owned utilities are "not a panacea," said Severin Borenstein, director of the Energy Institute at the University of California at Berkeley's Haas School of Business. "They might be better in many cases, but it is easy to oversell them with the idea that the power company will finally operate in the public interest if it is just owned by the public. People who think that have never been to the DMV or dealt with the Social Security office."

Publicly owned utilities are not a new idea. They are operating in 2,000 communities, providing electricity to 49 million people, according to the American Public Power Association. But they are generally small outfits, serving a city or county as opposed to an entire state. An exception is Nebraska, where there have not been any investor-owned utilities since 1946

Many public utilities are ranked higher in providing customer service and offer lower rates than comparable investorowned utilities. But there have also been epic failures, such as in Puerto Rico, where years of mismanagement left ratepayers with an unstable grid and inflated rates before the utility went bankrupt in 2017.

The proposal in Maine would replace Central Maine Power and Versant with a nonprofit run by a board of seven elected members and six other people they select. Pine Tree Power would take control of the state's power grid, buying out the existing utilities. It would be a messy and litigious process, and there is heated dispute over the price tag, with the exiting power companies warning ratepayers it would cost more than \$13 billion but other analysts saving it would be far less.

It took the community of Sacramento more than 20 years from the time voters chose to break away from Pacific Gas and Electric until the courts finally gave the plan the green light in 1946. Kicking out a corporate utility has only become more complicated since then.

Gov. Janet Mills, a Democrat, is urging voters to reject the Maine proposal, warning that enmeshing the state in a decades-long battle over control of utility poles and transmission lines would be a costly mistake. The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers is also working against the measure. Central Maine Power and Versant, for their part, charge that the Pine Tree Power campaign is overpromising, noting that the primary reason electricity prices are so high in Maine is because the cost of power generation has spiked, and the utilities have no control over that. Under Maine law, utilities are prohibited from controlling generation, which is managed through contracts negotiated by the state.

"The last thing we should be doing is trying to force an acquisition by eminent domain to buy something that, once we buy, we don't know how to run," said Fred Forsely, the chief executive of Shipyard Brewing Co. and a public face of the opposition campaign. The sentiment is shared by the owner of another well-known business in Portland, DiMillo's on the Water, which for decades has served tourists lobsters in a former 206-foot-long car ferry converted to a restaurant. "I never look at government to fix something for us," said Steven DiMillo, who manages the business.

Yet a growing number of Mainers appear to have an equally low opinion of their power companies. Among them is Brian Johnson, a retiree in Harpswell who worked as a utility industry consultant for decades.

Johnson is cleareyed about the risks of a Pine Tree Power takeover. But after 17 power outages at his home over the course of a year and explanations from Central Maine Power that he found unconvincing, Johnson began investigating how the firm is spending its profits. He decided ratepayers would be better off if the company were out of the equation.

"Senior management in many of these companies has lost touch with local communities," Johnson said. "This has them scared, and for good reason."

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# New Post publisher, CEO led Dow Jones, Wall Street Journal

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business reporter and editor and then as chief editor of the Daily Telegraph.

In 2010, he joined the Murdochowned News Corp. and the following year was tasked with helping to run a committee created to address the company's phonehacking and police bribery scandal — the fallout of which led to criminal charges and the closure of the News of the World tabloid.

In a statement, Lewis said he was "thrilled and humbled" to be appointed to the job. "Leading this bold media brand means building on my commitment to championing high-quality journalism and safeguarding our democratic values, while growing The Post's business and advancing its impact to the next generation and beyond."

Lewis takes over during a tumultuous time for The Post, which has experienced a drop-off in both audience and subscribers. Executives are offering buyouts across the company in an effort to reduce its head count by about 10 percent; the newsroom is expected to shrink to about 940 journalists, and The Post is projected to end the year taking a \$100 million loss.

He replaces Fred Ryan, who stepped down earlier this year after overseeing most of The Post's decade of rapid growth since it was purchased by Bezos, the founder of Amazon.

During Ryan's tenure, The Post's audience and newsroom expanded - a period that largely coincided with the supercharged Trump administration news cycle.

But like much of the media industry, The Post saw its business decline after Trump left office and the pandemic subsided.

Lewis left Dow Jones around then. During his tenure, the Journal tripled its digital subscribers to 1.93 million and the company boosted revenue through elite business offerings, the newspaper reported at the time.

In 2011, he was accused of playing a role in the leak of an audio recording that had been obtained by his former colleagues at the Telegraph but given to the BBC, which then managed to land a bombshell story divulging a Cabinet secretary's private comments about Rupert Murdoch.

Lewis denied the accusations but declined to answer questions about the scoop during a judicial inquiry, citing the need to protect sources.

In 2020, he denied accusations he played a role in concealing emails about the hacking scandal, calling the charges made in a lawsuit "completely untrue."

The search for Ryan's replacement was led by interim CEO Patty Stonesifer, the founding chief executive of the Gates Foundation and a former high-ranking Microsoft executive who sits on the Amazon board.

Emily Bell, who heads the Tow Center for Digital Journalism at Columbia Journalism School and competed against Lewis when she led the Guardian's digital operation, described him as "very much a journalism-focused publisher."

She said that the years Lewis spent working for Murdoch "means a certain amount of steel enters your soul." She added — in reference to his dealing with Murdoch as well as his future relationship with Bezos — that Lewis's "superpower, though, is being unbelievably good with very, very rich people."

Lewis, who begins Jan. 2, was editor of the Telegraph when Boris Johnson wrote for the paper and reportedly served as an informal adviser to the former prime minister. Last month, he was knighted at Johnson's recommendation. Asked in September about his relationship with Johnson, who resigned from Parliament in June, Lewis told Bloomberg News he's not a "fair-weather friend."



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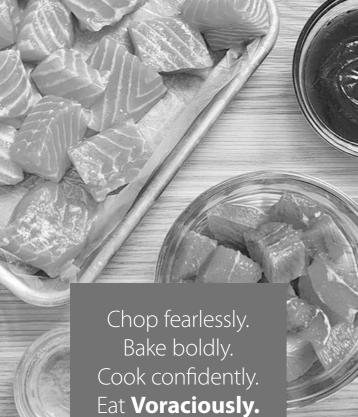
William Lewis, the incoming chief executive and publisher of The Washington Post. A veteran of British media and Rupert Murdoch-owned companies, Lewis most recently led the News Movement, which focuses on delivering nonpartisan news to younger audiences on TikTok and other social platforms.

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### **ISRAEL-GAZA WAR**

# State Dept. envoy decries global rise in antisemitic incidents

Biden official says surge in anti-Jewish hate has left her 'flabbergasted'

### BY MICHAEL BIRNBAUM

The Biden administration is working to fight a "gobsmacking" rise of antisemitism globally in the weeks since Hamas attacked Israel, the State Department's special envoy for combating antisemitism said, as policymakers and Jewish community leaders say they are witnessing an alarming spike in anti-Jewish incidents that has unsettling historical precedents.

In Russia, a mob chased the exiting passengers of a plane from Tel Aviv, searching for Jews. In Paris, Stars of David were spray-painted onto the homes of Jewish families. In the Netherlands, a Jewish day school has started teaching remotely because it says it cannot guarantee the safety of its students.

Now the Biden administration is trying to encourage communities around the world to protect the security of their Jewish citizens as it works more broadly to contain the fallout of the Hamas attack and the Israeli retaliation.

The State Department envoy, Ambassador Deborah Lipstadt, is a decorated scholar of antisemitism through history. She famously prevailed against Holocaust denier David Irving in a yearslong trial in British courts. But even she said she is taken aback by the vitriol that has spiked since the Oct. 7 attack on Israel, which the Israeli government has called the biggest single-day killing of Jews since the Holocaust.

"I find myself gobsmacked, flabbergasted. And I don't flabbergast easily. You can't be a scholar of the Holocaust and be surprised by things," Lipstadt said. "And yet even I have a hard time. I don't want to say uncomprehending, because I can comprehend, but I have a hard time absorbing all that's going on."

Lipstadt was in Italy when the attack happened, has visited Switzerland and France, and planned to go to Germany on Saturday, for now making Europe, home to large Jewish communities, the primary focus of her efforts to encourage leaders to try to calm anti-Jewish sentiments. (Her job as ambassador does not extend to incidents of antisemitism inside the United States, though she said she was at a recent Education Department meeting at which American Jewish leaders talked about rising incidents of antisemitism on university campuses across the country.)

The attacks on Jews since Oct. 7 are "not only quantitatively but qualitatively different," Lipstadt said. The French Interior Ministry says there have been more than 800 antisemitic attacks in its country since the day of the Hamas attack, more than the count for all of 2022. At a "day of rage" protest in France last month, 85 percent of the parents of youths in Jewish schools kept their children home, Lipstadt said French authorities had told her.

"There's something quite different happening here," she said. "It's eerie."

Some people involved in attacks on Jews have cited Israel's aggressive campaign in Gaza as their motivation. Lipstadt said that makes little sense, given that an individual Jewish citizen of France or Sweden has no control over or responsibility for the actions of the Israeli government.

She said that she hoped to use the power of her office to draw attention to the issue and to push other governments to stay vigi-





TOP: People gather for a candlelight vigil in New York on Wednesday in honor of the people killed by Hamas militants in the Oct. 7 attack in Israel. ABOVE: Demonstrators hold signs during a gathering Wednesday in the Old Town Square in Prague in support of Israel and against antisemitism.

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lant about protecting their Jewish populations.

"We take this seriously," Lipstadt said. "Jews may not seem to present as other victims of religious ethnic, racial bigotry present, but it is to be taken seriously. So I think that that's one of the messages that I transmit, that the United States government, this administration and previous administrations, both sides of the aisle of Congress, rarely do we get to use the word bipartisan concern, you know, but certainly on this issue, there is bipartisan concern."

Antisemitism has a long historical connection to broader challenges to the health of liberal democracies, Lipstadt said. "It's the amber light that gets really strong right before the traffic light is going to turn to a very bright red," she said. "This hatred is certainly a threat to democracy and threat to governmental stability. No country I know that tolerated extensive antisemitism remains a democracy."



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### **ISRAEL-GAZA WAR**

# The long road to the Rafah crossing and out of Gaza

### BY KAREN DEYOUNG, **MICHAEL BIRNBAUM** AND KAREEM FAHIM

The exit gate from Gaza into Egypt slammed shut again Saturday, leaving hundreds, if not thousands, of foreigners still waiting to leave the embattled enclave as Hamas demanded that more injured Palestinians be allowed to depart first.

A border official with the Hamas-controlled Gaza government said that "no foreign passport holders" would leave until "wounded people from hospitals" in Gaza City and other areas in the north, where Israeli warplanes this week struck hospitals and ambulances, were evacuated.

"Hamas refused to cooperate today," a U.S. official familiar with the situation said, expressing measured optimism that things would be "back to normal tomorrow."

But what passes for normal in the ongoing war between Israel and Hamas is anything but, as fleeting deals for the evacuation of foreign nationals have been made. misunderstood and broken among participants and involved bystanders with vastly different agendas - some of whom communicate only through intermediaries or for politically convenient public consumption.

"There is no one place where everyone is sitting around a table," said one diplomat familiar with the situation and who, like others interviewed, spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss sensitive negotiations. "It's just a lot of back and forth among people in different locations, and it leads to a lot of confusion."

After a hard-won agreement finally allowed trucks carrying humanitarian relief to trickle into Gaza from Egypt two weeks ago, attention then focused on the thousands of foreign passport holders - most of them Palestinian nationals with dual citizenship - who were stuck inside when borders closed after Hamas's brutal Oct. 7 attack on Israel.

"We've been working on that for these last two and a half weeks, day and night," David Satterfield, President Biden's special envoy to the humanitarian situation, told reporters Saturday before news of the day's shutdown spread. "We're



Palestinians with foreign passports wait to cross into Egypt. After the Rafah border crossing was shut on Saturday, an official with the Gaza government said that "no foreign passport holders" would leave until "wounded people from hospitals" in Gaza City were evacuated.

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As time went on and the potential evacuees huddled with little food, water or electricity in shelters across southern Gaza, more roadblocks appeared from all sides, according to officials and diplomats from a variety of involved countries.

Hungry and weary, foreign nationals have been trapped in the crossfire, fearing Hamas's stated desire to keep Gazans from moving south and an unrelenting barrage of Israeli airstrikes, which left craters in the asphalt and damaged buildings on the Gaza side of the crossing and nearby towns

Egypt, diplomats said, refused to open its side of the Rafah border crossing for humanitarian assistance of refugee egress until the attacks stopped.

Egypt had additional concerns, which were repeatedly raised during weeks of painful negotiations.



Hamas would not let them out. 'We've had people come to Rafah, the crossing with Egypt. And to date, at least, Hamas has blocked them from leaving, showing once again, its total disregard for civilians of any kind who are stuck in Gaza." Blinken said on CBS's Face the Nation on Oct. 22.

"The ball," Blinken said, "is in Hamas's court." His statement puzzled Americans hunkered down in southern Gaza, who said they had seen no evidence of Hamas checkpoints or intimidation at the Rafah crossing after the first days following the Hamas attacks on Israel.

Behind the scenes, however, the United States was locked in negotiations indirect with Hamas, mediated by Qatar, where the terrorist group maintains political representation.

"They said they would allow foreign nationals to leave, subject to a number of wounded Palestinians to leave as well," said a senior administration official who recounted the talks to reporters on Friday. Nobody objected to that in theory, the official said, and Hamas subsequently provided a list of injured Gazans who would be first through the gate.

But "one-third of the wounded Palestinians on the list were members of Hamas," something that was "unacceptable to Egypt, the United States and Israel," a senior administration official said Friday. Debate over the lists went on "for some time," the official said, but "eventually the wounded Palestinians leaving with foreign nationals were not Hamas fighters."

At various points, according to diplomats from several countries involved - and who disagreed on who said what to whom and when

 both the United States and Egypt asked for United Nations officials to staff the Gaza side of the border and examine documents and luggage of those crossing. Before the U.N. could refuse, citing security and the need to remain above any particular national interest, Hamas rejected the proposal, saying it was a violation of Palestinian sovereignty and insisting that they would handle security on their side of the border.

On Wednesday, Gazan civil servants and Egyptian officials finally showed up and opened the

very pleased that arrangements were reached and are being implemented now and will be continuing for a number of days ahead."

U.S. officials said Saturday they were still accounting for how many American citizens have been able to leave so far.

"How long will this go on? When will everybody be out?" Satterfield said. "The answer is they'll be out when they're out."

In the early days of the crisis, as optimistic U.S. diplomats messaged American citizens in Gaza to head south toward the Rafah crossing, many were stopped at Hamas checkpoints before reaching the locked gate. Asked for documentation they didn't know they needed and had little way to

In 2008, during one of the many previous clashes between Hamas and Israel, militants blew up part of the border wall with Egypt to protest an Israeli blockade of the enclave that continues to this day. Thousands flooded through the hole, racing to Egyptian towns to obtain goods scarce inside Gaza.

Most eventually returned home with full shopping bags, but the memory remains vivid in Cairo, where the government hates Hamas, an offshoot of the Muslim Brotherhood, which shortly held elected power in Egypt before its government was overthrown in 2013 by then-general and nowpresident, Abdel Fatah El-Sisi.

Sisi has blanched at suggestions that Gazans should find a Ambulances from Egypt wait to pass through the Rafah border crossing to transport seriously wounded Palestinians. Its unclear whether more people will be allowed to cross into Egypt.

new home in the vast desert expanse of the Sinai Peninsula.

"Egypt has reaffirmed, and is reiterating, its vehement rejection of the forced displacement of the Palestinians and their transfer to Egyptian lands in Sinai," Sisi told a peace summit in Cairo on Oct. 21. The United States has also been adamant that any Palestinians -700,000 of whom were displaced from Palestine following Israel's creation in 1948 – who flee Gaza now have a right to return to their homes there.

The summit coincided with the

first indications that, if agreement could not yet be reached on getting out of Gaza, there might be a settlement on getting things in. Biden raised the issue of the airstrikes in southern Gaza – an area Israel had declared a "safe zone" during his lightning visit to Tel Aviv on Oct. 18. On the flight home, he called Sisi from Air Force One and, as he told reporters on board, "got a commitment" from both sides on evacuees.

Egypt, he said, was "going to patch the road. They have to fill in potholes to get these trucks

through. And that's going to occur; they expect it'll take about eight hours tomorrow. So, there may be nothing rolling through until – what's today? I'm losing track of days. Thursday? Wednesday? Probably until Friday."

As it turned out, the first 20 trucks bearing essential lifesaving humanitarian aid entered Gaza early that Sunday.

But despite difficult negotiations with Egypt about letting civilians in, Secretary of State Antony Blinken has maintained that the real problem was that gates on both sides, allowing ambulances to cross into the enclave and return carrying several dozen injured and vetted Palestinians. For three days thereafter, a few hundred foreign passport holders approved by the Egyptian and Israeli governments - slowly filed through Rafah crossing.

The release valve worked until Saturday, when the gates on the Gaza side closed again. It remained unclear whether more injured Gazans, in sufficient numbers to satisfy Hamas and appropriately vetted by Egypt, Israel and the United States, would lead a new group into Egypt on Sunday.

Birnbaum reported from Amman and Fahim reported from Beirut.

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### **BY ANASTACIA GALOUCHKA**

TOMAKIVKA, UKRAINE — Maksym and Ivan Lyakh, born four years apart, weren't just brothers. They were best friends. So, when Russia invaded Ukraine and they wanted to fight for their country, they insisted on fighting together.

"We were always together," said Ivan Lyakh, 19. "We would always party together, hang out together. We were inseparable. So we were set on fighting together. They tried to split us up, but we were stubborn."

Russia's war has left a permanent mark on almost every Ukrainian family, but the burden is arguably heaviest on those with multiple loved ones deployed to the front.

For Serhii Lyakh, 47, who owns a farming business in Tomakivka, and his wife, Lilya, 43, who has a women's clothing boutique, it was their two sons — their only children — who left to fight for the country's freedom.

Maksym and Ivan's initial attempts to join the armed forces were rebuffed by recruitment offices because of their youth and inexperience.

Eventually, they managed to join "Right Sector" — a military volunteer corps — in April 2022. After nine days of intense training, they deployed to Avdiivka, a perennial site of fierce fighting on the eastern front.

Their short preparation time did not faze them. A video from last year shows the brothers enthusiastically headbanging to heavy metal music and laughing, while driving to the front.

"They trained us well, but we wanted to fight, so we went fast," Ivan said.

Their commander saw value in the brothers' teamwork. Although there are no specific rules on family members being split or teamed up for military duty, he made sure that Maksym and Ivan stayed together. To Ivan, this was important. "I trusted my brother like nobody else," he said.

In April, after a year of fighting side by side, the brothers were split up for the first time. Maksym, who used the call sign "Frost," was sent on a mandatory break while Ivan deployed near the embattled city of Bakhmut to protect a key logistical route nicknamed the "road of life."

Maksym was furious that his little brother, call sign "Tokmak,"

# Ukrainian brothers, inseparable in peace and war, ripped apart by death

Maksym died in battle after Ivan was grievously wounded. Their family's pain mirrors a nation's.



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"I thought I was done for, that I couldn't be saved," he said.

Maksym screamed and grabbed his younger brother by his bulletproof vest, dragging him farther into the house. As he tried to keep his own nerves under control, he kept talking to Ivan, forcing him to stay conscious and giving first aid.

"Heavy 300!" — military slang for heavily wounded — Maksym yelled into his radio. He pushed painkillers into Ivan's mouth, but his brother, almost choking on blood, could not swallow. Half an hour later, two soldiers took Ivan to a basement-turned-command center 650 feet away.

As the brothers said goodbye, Maksym pushed a flag into Ivan's hands. It was a Ukrainian flag sporting the signatures of all their closest fellow troops.

In the basement, Ivan noticed two other wounded soldiers and the body of the commander who originally kept the brothers together. Exhausted, Ivan sat down next to him and cried, as he held his shattered jaw together with his own hands.

"That was very painful to see. He had a small child," Ivan said. "But it's a war."

For more than nine hours, he waited to be evacuated. Every once in a while he would hear Maksym's voice over the radio. A curt "450" meant the situation at his position was stable.

Around midnight, an evacuation unit got in and took Ivan to a hospital in Dnipro, where his mother and girlfriend, Diana, were already waiting. "I was so happy Ivan was wounded," Lilya said. "At least he was alive."

Five days later, 20 minutes before he was supposed to undergo anesthesia, Ivan got a message from his commander: "Frost is dead." Maksym was killed in fighting, likely from shrapnel or a bullet that hit his neck.

For years, the Lyakh home had been a center of gravity for the brothers and their friends. Videos show them happy, eating and laughing.

At age 12, Ivan discovered a love for motorcycles. Hooked on the speed and danger, he started training and competing, and he eventually won a silver medal in the Ukrainian national championship. Ivan was set on a career as a sportsman.

"Look how many he's won,"

was sent to such a dangerous battle without him. But by the end of April, they were reunited in the besieged city.

Back home, their loved ones were worried.

Maksym's girlfriend, Sofia Kozyriatska, 21, was studying to become a dentist, struggling with the daily difficulties of the war and her boyfriend's absence. Their text messages included news from the front and words of encouragement. "Tell me everything, so I know what to prepare for," she pleaded in one text exchange.

Whenever Maksym could afford it, he traveled to her dormitory in Poltava so they could spend at least a night together. They talked about their future. Maksym wanted to leave Ukraine after the war and live in a little house in the Scandinavian woods. He asked Sofia if she would go with him.

"We talked about having children," Sofia said. "We planned on having three boys, to replenish the Ukrainian population."

Lilya, the brothers' mom, never wanted her sons to fight.

When Maksym finished high school, war was already raging in east Ukraine. Lilya, terrified that Maksym would be conscripted, sent him to Poland for university.

"I'm saving you from the war," she told Maksym as he left reluctantly. But in 2019, he returned home to finish his degree in economic engineering at Zaporizhzhia University.

Maksym and Ivan were not oblivious to the danger in Bakhmut. "We had an agreement," Ivan said. "If one of us dies, the other will stay behind with our parents and take care of them."

On the morning of May 1, the brothers were hunkered down in a house in an industrial area of Bakhmut, which they had been





TOP: The Lyakh brothers in uniform, Ivan, left, and Maksym, with their parents and others in a photograph on display at the family's home in Tomakivka. ABOVE LEFT: Ivan at home two weeks after he was seriously wounded in battle. ABOVE RIGHT: A bloodstained Ukrainian flag, signed by soldiers in the brothers' unit, hangs in the family's home. LEFT: Service members and friends carry Maksym's coffin.

ordered to hold and defend. The Russians held positions in neighboring houses. The sound of artillery fire was deafening.

Constant assaults and heavy gunfire meant that there was no sleep. Ivan crouched behind the remains of a destroyed wall, and intermittently fired his machine gun to try to stop the Russian forces from advancing.

When he popped out to fire another round, Ivan saw a flash and fell back. Something had hit him in the face. At first, he said, he didn't feel anything at all, but then a white-hot pain overtook him. His jaw was shattered, his teeth all but gone. There was Lilya said, pointing to medals on the walls. Now, the bloodstained Ukrainian flag Maksym pressed into Ivan's hand the last time they saw each other also hangs on the living room wall.

"We knew there were only two ways we would get out of Bakhmut," Ivan said. "Dead or wounded."

The evening before the funeral, Maksym's coffin was brought into the house for a wake. His German shepherd, Dora, lay by his side all night, whimpering. "I didn't believe he was dead," Lilya said, wiping away tears. "I still don't."

Ukrainians still debate whether defending Bakhmut, which Russia seized in May, was worth the cost.

On May 9, the streets of Tomakivka echoed with a traditional folk song: "I don't know where I'll die — Oh I will die on foreign lands — Who will prepare a grave for me?" A hearse led a convoy to the cemetery. Passersby fell to their knees to pay respects. Women covered their faces, sobbing loudly.

"He was a happy child, a child of light," a priest said at the funeral. Soldiers fired a last salute. As Maksym's coffin was slowly lowered, his girlfriend, Sofia, fell to her knees, tears streaming as she stared into the grave.

With a long rehabilitation ahead, Ivan's plans are unclear. His face is gaunt; he has lost more than 30 pounds. A piece of shrapnel is lodged in his neck. Few men from his unit are still alive. "I feel for those boys, my brothers," he said. "They're gone."

Diana hopes he will stay home now, as he once promised Maksym, for their parents. But Ivan is not sure. "I don't know if I'll get used to civilian life," he said. "War has changed me a lot. War is not what I had imagined it to be. It's death and destruction."

### AFGHANISTAN Taliban seeks help from private sector

The Taliban on Saturday appealed to the private sector in Afghanistan to help people fleeing the mass deportation drive in Pakistan.

Pakistan is arresting and expelling all foreigners it said are

in the country illegally, but the policy mostly affects Afghans because they are the biggest group of undocumented foreigners in the country.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry in Kabul urged its private sector to step forward and help.

Afghans forcibly expelled from Pakistan are facing the worst situation of their lives, with no opportunities, the ministry said.

Afghanistan is overwhelmed by challenges, including years of drought, a beleaguered economy and the aftermath of decades of war.

— Associated Press

Ancient bronze coins found near coast of Sardinia: A diver who spotted something metallic

### DIGEST

not far from the coast of Sardinia has led to the discovery of tens of thousands of ancient bronze coins. The Italian culture ministry said Saturday that the diver alerted authorities, who sent divers assigned to an art protection squad along with others from the undersea archaeology department of the ministry. The coins dating from the first half of the 4th century were found in sea grass, near the shore of the island.

### **Former Guinean military ruler is back in prison:** Moussa Dadis Camara, the former military ruler of Guinea, is back in custody, his lawyer said Saturday, denying that Camara was a willing participant in an earlier armed jailbreak that he described as a kidnapping by

force. Residents of the capital Conakry woke to the sound of gunfire in the early hours of Saturday as heavily armed men sprang Camara and three other officers out of a central prison, which prompted Guinean authorities to launch a manhunt. Pepe Antoine, a lawyer for Camara, did not say how his client had returned to custody. — From wire services

### **ISRAEL-GAZA WAR**

# U.S. and Arab leaders clash over calls for a cease-fire

### GAZA FROM A1

Middle East humanitarian issues, David Satterfield, told reporters Saturday in Jordan's capital, Amman.

After meeting with Secretary of State Antony Blinken on Friday in Tel Aviv. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu publicly rebuffed the U.S. push, refusing "a temporary cease-fire that does not include the return of hostages." Israel and the Biden administration think a full cease-fire would benefit Hamas.

About 100 to 120 trucks are getting in every day now, Satterfield said, in contrast to the 400 to 500 daily before the Oct. 7 Hamas attack in Israel that claimed 1,400 lives and left more than 200 hostages in the militants' hands.

Among the challenges to increasing aid shipments into Gaza is the enormous scale of need alongside fears of possible looting of the trucks and the safety of the drivers.

At a meeting in Amman, U.S. and Arab leaders clashed Saturday over whether Israel should halt its offensive in Gaza, as regional leaders said that the heavy Palestinian civilian death toll would radicalize a generation and accused Israel of crossing the line from self-defense into war crimes.

Blinken defended what he said was Israel's need to eliminate Hamas as a security threat to its citizens. But he said that he agreed that Israel needed to be mindful of civilian casualties and that leaders had worked on practical steps to try to get more humanitarian aid into Gaza to ease the civilian suffering there.

The tensions were on stark display as Blinken stood next to the foreign ministers of Jordan and Egypt as his two counterparts decried Israel's offensive in starkly emotional terms, saying that Palestinian civilians were being dehumanized after an attack by Hamas for which they bore no responsibility.

Blinken described his own pain when he saw Palestinian children suffering in rubble - but he added: "It's our view that a cease-fire



Civil defense crews work to extinguish a fire after an Israeli strike in Khan Younis in southern Gaza on Saturday. Israel has called on residents from the northern Gaza Strip to evacuate to the southern portion, calling it a "safer zone."

now would simply leave Hamas in place, able to regroup and repeat what it did on Oct. 7," Blinken said.

"Protecting civilians will help prevent Hamas from further exploiting the situation. But most importantly, it's simply the right and moral thing to do," Blinken said.

Blinken's counterparts in the region said that the humanitarian situation was so dire in Gaza that it was impossible, for now, to focus on anything else.

Jordanian Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi said, "With every missile unleashed on Gaza, with every killing of a Palestinian child ... the whole region is sinking in a sea of hatred that will define generations to come, and that is already starting to manifest itself." Sameh Shoukry, Egypt's for-

eign minister, called for Israel to enact an immediate cease-fire "without condition." But Blinken said that Washing-

ton and Arab states believe the status quo of a Hamas-controlled Gaza cannot continue.

The United States, meanwhile, is trying to find ways to get more aid into southern Gaza via Egypt's Rafah border crossing, the only route connecting Gaza that is not controlled by Israel.

The Biden administration is not aware of Hamas intercepting the aid, said Satterfield, nor does it believe that the Israeli military campaign against Hamas in Gaza has hit any aid shipments.

In a meeting with Lebanese caretaker prime minister Najib Mikati in Amman, Blinken said he "shared his deep concern" about exchanges of fire along Lebanon's southern border between Iranian-backed Hezbollah and Israel.

Speaking live via a video feed on Friday, Hezbollah's leader, Hassan Nasrallah, stopped short of announcing an all-out escalation in his first public comments since the start of the Gaza war. But all options remain "on the table," Nasrallah warned.

A senior State Department official said that as many as 600 trucks of aid are needed in Gaza every day, and that the United States was pressing to create the conditions to make that possible. A Gaza border spokesman said no one crossed through Rafah to Egypt on Saturday.

While diplomats talked in Amman, Israel continued its bombing campaign in Gaza.

An Israeli strike on an ambulance outside Gaza City's largest hospital on Friday killed at least 15 people and injured 60 others, the Gaza Health Ministry said. The Israeli military confirmed its aircraft targeted the ambulance,

which it said was "being used by" Hamas militants. Videos reviewed by The Washington Post showed women and children among the dead, and no weapons or individuals wearing military clothing could be seen.

The U.N. agency for Palestinian refugees, UNRWA, said one of its schools in northern Gaza, which sheltered displaced families in the Jabalya refugee camp, was struck Saturday. It said "one strike hit the schoolyard" and another "hit inside the school where women were baking bread."

UNRWA said children were among those reported killed, adding that it was unable to verify the exact number of casualties. The Gaza Health Ministry said at least 15 people were killed and more than 70 injured.

A strike near the entrance of al-Quds Hospital wounded 21 displaced people and caused damage at the location, the Palestine Red Crescent Society said Saturday. Videos shared by the Red Crescent and verified by the video--analysis group Storyful showed a large cloud of smoke from an apparent strike near the same hospital.

In southern Gaza, photos showed Palestinians rushing early Saturday to rescue survivors in the rubble of a building in Khan Younis, a part of the territory Israel called on Gaza residents to move to for shelter as it expanded ground operations in the enclave.

The Israeli military did not immediately respond to a request for comment on reports of strikes in Khan Younis, at the UNRWA school or at al-Quds Hospital.

"Morgues are overflowing. Shops are empty. The sanitation situation is abysmal," said a statement by U.N. Secretary General António Guterres. "We are seeing an increase in diseases and respiratory illnesses, especially among children. An entire population is traumatized. Nowhere is safe."

Morris reported from Tel Aviv and Booth from Jerusalem. Miriam Berger in Tel Aviv, Victoria Bisset in London and Kareem Fahim in Beirut contributed to this report.

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# In South Sudan, floods add to crises

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emergency and a recovery, a beginning and an end. But as these disasters grow in magnitude and frequency, striking poor countries dependent on a stretched humanitarian system, some are no longer just passing crises, but permanent states of being. That dynamic points to the extraordinary stakes in global climate talks, which center on the question of how wealthy nations can foot the bill for climate-related destruction — even when that destruction is chronic.

In South Sudan, parts of the country have been underwater now for four years. Other areas, two or three. Some 15 percent of the country is submerged year-round, as opposed to 5 percent several years ago.

One extreme season has followed another, with major rainfalls flowing in from countries upstream, such as Uganda and Ethiopia. Over time, the soil below has turned sticky, sealing the waters in place. Subsistence farmers are bracing for the possibility that their land has changed for good giving way to a new water mass the size of Lake Michigan, with 1 million people displaced because of flooding, their crops destroyed, their cattle now scattered bones.

South Sudan illustrates how even robust investments in relief aid are no match for the cataclysms that climate change, war and corruption have unleashed on many countries. This landlocked nation — which only gained independence from Sudan in 2011 benefits from more Western funding than its neighbors, with much of it from the United States.

That money allows for day-today triage — upholding mud dikes, maintaining city-sized displacement camps, and providing food aid to some but not all who are hungry. But it isn't enough to help people recover.

The United Nations has been forced to pare back projects aimed at helping communities adapt or become more resilient. Major nations have yet to establish a longplanned international fund aimed at helping countries deal with climate disasters, and once created, it is likely to be too small by multi-







FROM TOP: A young man unloads donated sorghum at the Bentiu internal displacement camp. The camp sits under the water level, protected only by a massive mud dike. Bones from cattle that died from malnutrition during flooding. A catfish amid scales in a market.

300 miles away from the flood zone, in a compound in South Sudan's capital, Juba, where the United Nations' food agency tracks the money coming in: Compared with what's been requested, it is less than ever before. For decades, the world's humanitarian aid has lagged behind need, which comes primarily from a handful of national donors. But the gap was less dire before Ukraine's wartime needs siphoned off a portion of aid money, before that war triggered a rise in food prices, and - more broadly - before human-caused pollution accelerated the number of crises. According to research from Oxfam, humanitarian appeals for extreme weather events have increased eightfold from 20 years ago. And though certain sudden-onset disasters break through with social media pleas and a surge of donations, on balance the world's most aid-dependent countries wind up

where declining harvests and shrinking water supplies have ignited conflicts. Majority-Christian South Sudan is supported in particular by the United States, which backed its long fight for independence from predominantly Muslim Sudan; since 2011, U.S. administrations have given South Sudan \$9 billion in aid. Before a projected dip this year, the aid groups operating in South Sudan had typically received about 70 percent of their requested funding, with the World Food Program (WFP) as the biggest recipient. But that level, in a country beset with problems even before the flooding, is still dire. Mary-Ellen McGroarty, WFP director in South Sudan, has been put in the position of choosing which hungry people are offered help. For the past two years, even the hungriest have been given only half-rations. Nyaguey said her family goes through its month's allotment in five days. While WFP still does carry out some resiliencybuilding work, it has had to significantly scale back certain programs that could help the country longterm, including one to help farmers plant rice, a crop that needs to be submerged.

McGroarty said. The half-rations amount to 292 grams — about two-thirds of a pound — of cereal per day.

"Have you seen what 200 grams of cereal looks like?" she asked. South Sudan depends on the "disaster begging bowl," as Oxfam termed it, because so many earlier catastrophes and blunders prevented any degree of self-sufficiency. Prospects were once bright for this fledgling nation, but rival leaders, representing different ethnic groups, tipped it into several years of civil war, resulting in the deaths of an estimated 400,000 people. Its economy could have boomed with one of the world's youngest demographics, but most of those young people ended up never regularly attending school. Its government could have capitalized on the combination of oil revenue and fertile land - building roads, shipping food - but elites have insteadsiphoned off "staggering" sums from public coffers, according to the United Nations, while leaving the country with almost no infrastructure. Flooding has merely intensified a food crisis that had already been among the world's gravest. In many of the countries deemed most vulnerable to climate change, violence and corruption are force multipliers. South Sudan says it does have climate plans of its own, and government documents list page after page of

country with better irrigation, more renewable energy, infrastructure that could better withstand disasters. But the government says more than 90 percent of that funding would need to come from "international investments." For now, most projects, including those aimed for the short term, have the same status: "Yet to be implemented."

priorities that would make for a

Some international officials say privately that it makes more sense for the flood zone to be written off, with people encouraged to move elsewhere. But the government can't offer the basics found in the aftermath of other disasters - financial aid or prefab accommodation on higher land. Even if it could, experts say, there is widespread distrust: The regional governor has been accused by the United Nations of authorizing brutal extrajudicial killings. And a labyrinth of ethnic disputes makes people uncertain they'd be safe in a new area.

So people stay where they are and try to survive.

### Where everyone eats the lilies

One of those places is Chotyiel, a village of 5,500 people with no electricity, no running water, no cars, and only one way out: along a mile-long mud bank that leads to a main road. The Post was able to reach the village by embedding with WFP, traveling in all-terrain amphibious vehicles with five-

tudes.

South Sudan's own government, ranked as one of the world's most corrupt, can't convince investors to fund its own projects for climate adaptation, which exist by the dozen — but mostly only on paper. The consequence is that Nyaguey, and hundreds of thousands around her, are in the same emergency mode of two years ago. Only weaker, sicker, more tired, more stressed.

"It's devastating," she said. "When will this ever end? I am just so, so tired."

Nyaguey, 43, had been poor, but not desperately poor, before central South Sudan's inundation. She had been a maize farmer. She had a small disposable income. She bought sugar, coffee, shoes for her 10 children, and had free time to meet with friends, who would sometimes laugh with her until late at night. But her old home is now submerged, and her new home is a makeshift mud hut in one of her county's only two villages still poking out of the water. She rarely sees her husband, who has two other wives living in different places.

Her entire days are "devoted to the lilies," she said, and collecting them has proved so punishing two-hour walks, hours more in the water, lugging them back home that she's developed chronic coughs and regular fevers, and found herself many mornings asking if she could bear to return to the water. "As long as my children are alive," she's told herself, "I'll keep going."

After deciding against the first patch of lilies, Nyaguey and the other women trekked farther away from their village, deeper into an eerie landscape of dragonflies and sickly brittle trees twisting halfway out the floodwaters. For as long as possible, the women tried to keep themselves dry, laboring through a slightly elevated but muddy path. Time in the water meant exposure to venomous snakes, untold bacteria, and run-ins with submerged thorns. But then there was no choice. After 40 minutes, they saw a patch of lilies, blooming in abundance, in deeper nearby waters.

Nyaguey waded in first. "Can you stand?" one of the women asked.

The water was chest-high. "Come in," Nyaguey told the others, and she opened her bag.

### 'Not able to keep up'

The explanation for Nyaguey's unconventional food staple begins

most-nothings. "The humanitarian system is not able to keep up," said Harjeet Singh, the head of global political strategy at Climate Action Network International. "For us, the mind-set had always been, 'We can do it. We can build resilience.' But now we see we are failing."

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By those grim margins, South Sudan is a have-some. It gets more requested aid than Somalia, which is facing its worst drought in decades. It gets far more than Chad, "We have all these huge, aspirational goals. But we're way down here," McGroarty said, lowering her hand to the floor.

People unsure about their next meal can't use their energy in other ways that might help them recover, <sup>a</sup>If you say [this work] will cost \$100 billion and you have nothing, nothing will happen," said Lutana Musa, director general of climate change at South Sudan's Environment Ministry.

The government's shortcomings play out in the flood zone, an area where rival factions fought during the civil war, with territory changing hands more than 10 times. Many people, then, took shelter at a displacement camp in Bentiu, a grid of tents holding 120,000 people.

Because of the flooding, managing that camp has required even more resources and aid. The floodwaters have risen higher than the camp's surface, which is staved off from ruin only because of miles of dikes, built in haste, with a combination of U.N. and South Sudanese money, two years ago. Even one dike failure could inundate the camp in three hours, said Joshua Kanyara, an engineer with the United Nations' migration agency, whose group helped in the construction.



In Chotyiel, the closest market is four hours away by canoe. Most people, including Nyaguey, can't afford boats to fish.

That makes the village a fair place to see what two years of a diet dominated by one food can do to the body.

"Even I eat the water lilies, and I'm in government," said Kim Kiir, the local administrator.

The people of the flood zone don't eat the part of the lily visible from the surface — the white flowers and the circular leaves. Instead, they harvest the parts below, reaching into the waters for the bulbs, detaching them from a reptilian network of thick stalks. The seeds of those bulbs, after being sifted and pounded and cooked over the flame, yield a greenish porridge. It's high in protein. Many say a little milk can leaven the harsh taste.

The floods have brought so many new stresses to Chotyiel that it's hard to attribute a spate of sicknesses to any one factor. But officials in the village say the wrenching diet is a major contributor, as are the risks lily collectors face in the water. Several women have died of snakebites. Children regularly deal with severe constipation, and with their immune systems weakened, they and other villagers have also experienced a surge in diarrheal sicknesses. The village used to see one person per month die on average; now it's three to five. In the week The Post visited Chotyiel, three children died.

"We are very, very vulnerable," said Reik Chatiem, the deputy administrator for the county.

Across the flood zone, the number of people who are critically malnourished has increased dramatically over the past few years, according to data used by WFP.

Mamman Mustapha, head of mission for Doctors Without Borders in South Sudan, said there are compounding factors, beyond diet, that explain why. With so much land submerged, people are crammed closer together, allowing diseases to spread more easily. Some of the facilities where people used to seek care are underwater. At the same time, their challenges in finding adequate food have left many, particularly children, more vulnerable to infectious diseases.

"So you see how the dots connect," he said.

Water lilies are a plant, not a base for a diet.

"It's inadequate by itself," he said.



Residents walk atop a reinforced dike that protects the Bentiu airstrip and the road connecting the displacement camp and the town of Bentiu. The camp, a grid of tents holding 120,000 people, could flood in three hours if any dike fails, an engineer with the U.N. said.

### The climate connection

Because the waters surrounding Chotyiel are neither draining readily into the ground nor flowing elsewhere, the only cure for the flooding is evaporation and time. The country would need three or four consecutive relatively dry years to reclaim its submerged land, said Richard Aludra, a water specialist at the Dutch Embassy in Juba.

That doesn't appear likely to happen.

South Sudan's central flatland — low-lying, at the crossroads of waterways — acts as a catch basin for extreme events happening in other countries, and it had always seen seasonal flooding. But over the past few years, those extreme events have happened in closer succession, with water rushing in so steadily that it's broken the seasonal patterns.

The rainfall across East Africa is determined primarily by the ebb and flow of Indian and Pacific Ocean temperature patterns. Chris Funk, who runs the Climate Hazards Center at the University of California at Santa Barbara, said that the volatility of the ocean has been supercharged, becoming hotter after having absorbed much of the excess energy caused by human emissions - equivalent to millions of underwater atomic bomb detonations over the past decade alone. Funk devoted a chapter of his 2021 book to the mega-rain event that jump-started flooding in South Sudan, saying that climate change "almost certainly" increased its magnitude.

"And if climate change contributed, it means it'll happen again soon," Funk said in an interview.

But while South Sudan's future hinges on a contest between rainfall and evaporation, the country is way behind in trying to understand what might come next and how to defend itself.

South Sudan's national meteorological department is supposed to provide early warnings as a way to prepare for and reduce the scale of disasters. But the meteorologists there have no instruments for measuring wind speed, a critical factor in making weather forecasts. Many of the computers in a crammed office at Juba's airport are wrapped in dusty plastic, and employees said they focus mainly tracking the hourly conditions for the planes landing and taking off. The office is supposed to issue daily public weather bulletins, but it does not; one employee ex-



plained that the pay is low and so is the motivation.

"So many challenges," said Mojwok Ogawi Modo, who runs the department. "They are huge."

The information at their hands comes mostly from elsewhere including WFP, which tracks climate patterns, as well as a Kenyabased regional climate center, which provides reports forecasting three months in advance. The forecaster, citing the ongoing El Niño event, recently predicted "abundant rainfall" over almost all of East Africa between October and December, with more flooding for South Sudan.

Funk, who tracks oceanic temperatures as well, also expects a surge in rainfall in East Africa. Because the oceanic patterns are slow-moving, they are also predictable, he said, and they can be used to mitigate famines and food shocks. He works closely with governments in Ethiopia and Kenya. But in South Sudan, he doesn't know who to call.

South Sudan has taken some recent steps to set up a functional early warning system for climate



ABOVE: After years living on a poor diet and laboring to get even that, Nyaphar Majok, the mid-80s mother of Nyaguey Dak Kieth, has withered. LEFT: Halved water lily bulbs on the floor of Naguey's mud hut in Chotyiel, which has no electricity or running water.

events, receiving U.N.-led trainings, and distributing 20 tablets to local officials for weather monitoring, but the initiative is still at the beginning stages. Musa, the climate director at South Sudan's Environment Ministry, said a better national early warning system could give South Sudan autonomy, and help yield localized data. That could help with village-byvillage decisions about what crops to plant. About whether to raise dikes.

About whether to stay or leave. In Chotyiel, Reik said the town never hears from the government, though he did hear secondhand about a U.N. report predicting increasing rain in the second half of the year. Mostly, he said, people in the village rely on traditional methods to predict the weather. They track bird behavior.

They listen for a frog species whose sound changes based on conditions. And they look to the sky.

### The 100-pound harvest

Nyaguey had only been in the water for a minute, grabbing the first bulbs, moving barefoot in the water, when a fisherman emerged in a wooden canoe.

"Do you happen to have any shoes?" she asked him. "Right now thorns are pricking my feet."

He said he didn't. He paused to talk, flies buzzing around the eight or nine fish in his boat, and Nyaguey noticed his catch.

"What about passing me one of those fish?" she asked.

"I can't," he said. "I'm sorry. My children really have nothing to eat."

But he did say that a richer patch of lilies were up ahead. The women, wading carefully through the water, followed his advice.

They arrived at an area with lily pads the size of dinner plates, surrounded by the desiccated trees, their branches collapsing into the water. The floodwaters here were slightly shallower, waist-high, but Nyaguey and the others worked from a crouch, keeping their arms below the water, fighting to break the apple-sized bulbs from the stems. Nyaguey had honed her technique. *Snap.* Into the bucket. *Snap.* Into the bucket.

The women had started close together, chatting a bit, but they fanned out over several hundred feet, each operating in silence, other than the dragonflies. *Snap. Snap.* They worked for an hour, then two. The day went from hot to overcast to windy. *Snap. Snap.* Nyaguey's bucket, floating on the water, filled with the greenish bulbs, and she dragged it with her from one lily patch to the next.

She'd have more than 100 pounds by the time she was done.

Nyaguey said the load would be too heavy to transport on the muddy path back to town. So instead she'd wade back through the floodwaters, letting the bucket float behind her, trying not to get lost. But then the floodwaters would end and there'd still be another quarter-mile on foot.

By then, she'd have been at work for hours. Her feet would be shriveled. She'd be exhausted. She'd lug the lilies back anyway she could.

Then it would be time to cook dinner.



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# Search on in Nepal for quake survivors

Initial death toll tops 150; rescue efforts hobbled as landslides block roads

### by Sangam Prasai, Gerry Shih and Sammy Westfall

KATHMANDU, NEPAL — Nepal's worst earthquake in nearly a decade struck a remote region of the Himalayan nation late Friday, killing at least 157 people and destroying hundreds of homes, Nepali officials said, warning that the death toll could still rise.

The 5.6-magnitude earthquake occurred after 11:30 p.m. local time at a shallow depth of 11 miles, the U.S. Geological Survey said. The epicenter was near the Jajarkot district, more than 300 miles west of the capital, Kathmandu.

Tremors were felt in the capital and in New Delhi in neighboring India. "People ran out of their homes," the United Nations said in an update.

Poised on the seismically active Himalayas, where the Indian and Eurasian tectonic plates meet, Nepal has a history of devastating earthquakes reaching back centuries.

Almost 9,000 people were killed in a pair of earthquakes in 2015 that struck 50 miles outside of densely populated Kathmandu.

The country also suffers from poor infrastructure and winding roads as well as shoddy buildings and endemic poverty in many of its districts.

Some roads were reported blocked by landslides triggered by the earthquake, hampering relief efforts, the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs said.

Footage of the aftermath shows entire homes reduced to

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NO PAYMENTS rubble and rescue teams pulling survivors from the wreckage. The two mountain districts of

Jajarkot and Rukum West suffered the most severe damage, with 105 people killed in Jajarkot and 52 in Rukum West, a senior disaster management official told Reuters. Hundreds have been injured.

"The search and rescue team of Nepal army have reached a few places," a Nepal army spokesman, Brig. Gen. Krishna Prasad Bhandari, said early Saturday. "Roads are difficult, so it may take time to reach some places immediately."

A police official in Jajarkot, Narendra Gautam, said in an interview Saturday that there was no cellphone network in the district and that electricity was also out in the affected areas.

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"It is difficult to establish contact," he said.

Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal has mobilized all of the country's security agencies and left Kathmandu by helicopter early Saturday to visit the region, according to the Himalayan Times, an English-language newspaper.

Narendra Modi, the Indian prime minister, said on social media that his country was "ready to extend all possible assistance."

Shih reported from New Delhi and Westfall from Washington.





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**ABOVE:** A man surveys houses that had been reduced to rubble by the 5.6magnitude earthquake in Nepal's remote mountain district of Jajarkot. LEFT: A doctor tends to a man who was evacuated from his village and brought to a hospital in Nepalgunj, Nepal. Helicopters and ground troops rushed to help people hurt in the earthquake that shook northwestern Nepal just before midnight Friday.





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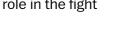
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# **SUNDAY OPINION**

DANA MILBANK

# The People's House is back in business — and crazier than ever

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o you thought the election of a new speaker might calm the chaos and fratricide among House Republicans? Oh, my sweet summer child.

This past week, Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-Ga.) forced a vote in the House on censuring Rep. Rashida Tlaib (D-Mich.) on accusations of being antisemitic. It was funny enough that Congresswoman Jewish Space Lasers herself was accusing somebody *else* of being antisemitic. But her censure resolution was so over the top — it accused Tlaib of "leading an insurrection" that 23 Republicans joined all Democrats in tabling it.

After the vote, Rep. Chip Roy (R-Tex.) said via X, formerly Twitter, that the censure resolution "was deeply flawed and made legally and factually unverified claims, including the claim of leading an 'insurrection."

Greene shot back on social media: "You voted to kick me out of the freedom caucus, but keep CNN wannabe Ken Buck and vaping groping Lauren Boebert and you voted with the Democrats to protect Terrorist Tlaib."

To unpack this Greene crazy: Rep. Ken Buck (R-Colo.) has criticized fellow Republicans' plan to impeach President Biden without any evidence, and Boebert (R-Colo.) was kicked out of a Denver performance of the musical "Beetlejuice" with her date after causing a disturbance that involved both vaping and groping.

Asked about this accusation from Greene, Roy told the Hill's Mychael Schnell: "Tell her to go chase so-called Jewish space lasers if she wants to spend time on that sort of thing."

To this, Greene replied with a new post: "Oh shut up Colonel Sanders, you're not even from Texas, more like the DMV." Roy, who grew up in Northern Virginia, has a white goatee not unlike the whiskers on the chin of the late founder of Kentucky Fried Chicken.

Ladies and gentlemen, the People's House is back in business.

In the 11 days since Republicans pulled Mike Johnson from the back benches, the new speaker has presided over a second failed attempt to expel indicted Rep. George Santos (R-N.Y.), the introduction of not one but two resolutions to censure Tlaib, and a resolution to censure Rep. Jamaal Bowman (D-N.Y.) for pulling a fire alarm during a vote. Johnson managed to turn an area of near-unanimous support into a partisan brouhaha by making funds to help Israel defend itself against Hamas contingent on a provision making it easier for the wealthy to cheat on their taxes. With less than two weeks to go until the federal government runs out of funding, Johnson is floating a cockamamie "laddered" approach that would replace the looming shutdown threat with 12 new shutdown threats.



House Speaker Mike Johnson (R-La.) answers questions during a news conference on Capitol Hill on Thursday.

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If this is the new speaker's idea of a functioning House, maybe having the House speakerless and inoperative for 22 days wasn't so bad after all.

If this is the new speaker's idea of a functioning House, maybe having the House speakerless and inoperative for Oversight Committee Chairman James Comer (R-Ky.) stepped up his efforts to impeach Biden with the panel's announcement that "Joe Biden received \$40,000 in laundered China money." Bank records indicate it was actually repayment of a loan Biden made to his brother when the current president was a private citizen.

Comer's wild allegations keep crumbling upon scrutiny, which might explain why he said of his impeachment inquiry: "I don't know that I want to hold any more hearings, to be honest with you." He prefers closed-door depositions, which he can selectively leak to create false impressions.

Buck pointed to his colleagues' allergy to facts when he announced last week that he was retiring from Congress. "Too many Republican leaders are lying to America, claiming that the 2020 election was stolen, describing January 6 as an unguided tour of the Capitol and asserting that the ensuing prosecutions are a weaponization of our justice system," Buck said in a video explaining why he was quitting. Of these "self-serving lies," he continued: "These insidious narratives breed widespread cynicism and erode Americans' confidence in the rule of law. It is impossible for the Republican Party to

confront our problems and offer a course correction for the future while being obsessively fixated on retribution and vengeance for contrived injustices of the past."

Johnson's response to all this: more self-serving lies. In his first interview as speaker, he told Fox News's Sean Hannity that "it looks and smells a lot like" Biden received bribes. He also said Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas had "committed impeachable offenses" and agreed with Hannity that Biden has experienced "cognitive decline." (At a subsequent news conference, Johnson maintained that the impeachment inquiry, which Comer and others are using as a fundfrom the IRS. But the CBO forecast that the cuts to the IRS would actually *cost* the federal government an additional \$12.5 billion — as reduced enforcement makes it easier for people to cheat on their taxes.

"Only in Washington when you cut spending do they call it an increase in the deficit," Johnson responded to the CBO.

Only in Louisiana, apparently, do they think that if you stop collecting taxes, your tax receipts will increase.

Johnson has continued moving spending bills through the House along party lines, at levels that violate the bipartisan budget deal enacted this year. In the Senate, by contrast, a pack-

22 days wasn't so bad after all.

The internecine feuding in the GOP resumed immediately after Johnson's elevation. Ways and Means Committee Chairman Jason T. Smith (Mo.) publicly blasted Rep. Matt Gaetz (Fla.) for causing the crisis by filing the motion to oust Speaker Kevin McCarthy (Calif.). Gaetz responded — by, some speculated, insinuating on social media that Smith is gay. Smith "called me a liar," Gaetz wrote. "It's a somewhat predictable projection. Because he lives a lie every day." Gaetz declined to elaborate. raising tool, is "outside the scope of politics.")

"People are curious. What does Mike Johnson think about any issue under the sun?" Johnson said to Hannity. "Well, go pick up a Bible off your shelf and read it. That's my worldview."

What about the bit about bearing false witness, Mr. Speaker?

Johnson was caught in another whopper by the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office this past week. Republicans claimed that their bill offering \$14.5 billion in aid to Israel was "offset" by cutting the same amount age of spending bills passed last week on a broadly bipartisan vote of 82-15. Sen. Patty Murray (D-Wash.), chairwoman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, admonished her House counterparts "to get serious about governing, get back to the spending agreement they negotiated, and work with us to finalize bipartisan bills."

But that isn't going to happen. The House "chaos caucus," which ousted McCarthy and turned the lights out in the chamber for 22 days, has found its man. Johnson is well on his way to being a chaos speaker.

### PERRY BACON JR.

# What's different about today's anti-Israel movement? It's entering the mainstream.

multiethnic, multiracial, bottom-up national movement has emerged over the past month to both criticize the Israeli government's weeks-long bombing of Gaza and urge the Biden administration to stop offering Israel's leaders largely unqualified support. Some involved in this movement have made antisemitic comments that should be condemned. But overall, their activism has been laudable, and its forcefulness is one of the reasons that Democratic-leaning politicians and the news media are showing increased skepticism about Israel's military offensive.

The horrific Oct. 7 attack by Hamas, which killed more than 1,400 Israelis, require a strong response. Hamas must be weakened or disempowered so it can never do something like that again. Hamas should immediately release the Israeli hostages that it captured.

But as Israel's response has now killed thousands of civilians in Gaza and forced an estimated 1.4 million people to leave their homes, Americans have rightly recognized that ordinary Palestinian didn't participate in Hamas's attacks and there should be great efforts to minimize their suffering in Israel's anti-Hamas campaign. And that has led to pro-Palestinian, anti-bombing protests in cities across the country, including Boston, Dallas, St. Louis and New York. There have also been dozens of protests at college campuses, as well as an organized walkout from classes last month.

A mass protest was scheduled for Saturday in D.C. Groups participating in the march include the U.S. Campaign for Palestinian Rights, National Students for Justice in Palestine and the Democratic Socialists of America.

The movement goes beyond marches and protests. With many Democratic elected officials reluctant to directly contradict the Israeli government or the



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City University of New York students rally in support of Palestinians on Thursday.

Biden administration, those working at lower levels have courageously stepped forward. Hundreds of Jewish and Muslim Capitol Hill staffers have signed a letter calling for a cease-fire, withholding their names because they aren't supposed to speak out on issues on which they disagree with their bosses. Former staffers to Sens. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) and Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) have put their names on letters urging the two most powerful left-wing figures in the country to call for an end to Israel's bombing of Gaza. A group of prominent writers and artists, including Ta-Nehisi Coates, has written a joint letter calling for "a free Palestine."

In another letter, a group of Jewish writers, artists and activists this past week not only called for a cease-fire but also wrote that they "wish to disavow the widespread narrative that any criticism of Israel is inherently antisemitic."

And there are some elected officials involved, particularly the 18 U.S. House Democrats who have written a resolution calling for a cease-fire. Those are mostly members from the Democratic Party's left wing, including Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.). Yet this, too, is bottom-up, as most of these members have served no more than a few terms and aren't in the Democratic Party's leadership.

Pro-Palestinian groups have been at the forefront of the protests. But it's a diverse movement. Jewish activists and organizations such as Jewish Voice for Peace and IfNotNow are deeply involved. Eleven of the 18 House members pushing for a cease-fire are Black, including Rep. Cori Bush (D-Mo.), who is leading the effort on Capitol Hill. All 18 members are people of color.

These protests in some ways echo those in 2002 and 2020. As in 2002, when most leaders in both parties were backing the Iraq War, these protests and activism are providing an important counterbalance to a Washington consensus. It's hard for the news media or left-leaning politicians to ignore the intense, organized opposition to Israel's bombing. The large number of White Americans at the marches after the killing of George Floyd showed that it wasn't just Black people who were concerned about racism and police brutality in America. The people who aren't Palestinian Americans and have been involved in the activism over the past few weeks are playing a similar role now.

As in 2002 and 2020, this activism isn't happening just in the United States. There have been pro-Palestinian, antibombing protests in Rome, Athens, London and numerous other cities.

I don't embrace everything these activists are saying. The students at Harvard University who wrote that they "hold the Israeli regime entirely responsible for all unfolding violence" are wrong. Hamas is, of course, responsible, too - and entirely so for Oct. 7. I wish Rep. Rashida Tlaib's (D-Mich.) statement on Oct. 8, only a day after the attacks, had focused on the brutality of what Hamas had just done, instead of acknowledging the killings but then highlighting her long-standing frustrations with the Israeli government. Cornell University history professor Russell Rickford's remark at a pro-Palestinian demonstration at the school that he was "exhilarated" by Hamas's attacks was horrible.

But overall, this movement is delivering some much-needed messages: The bombings in Gaza have killed far too many civilians; the U.S. government needs to value Palestinians' lives as much as Israelis'; and future policies to reduce tensions in Israel and the Palestinian territories must consider events before Oct. 7, particularly the restrictions put on those living in Gaza by the Israeli government.

And while this is hard to prove definitively, this activism appears to be shifting policy. Activists started calling for a cease-fire, pushing the most progressive House members to adopt that stance and putting increased pressure on Sanders and Warren in particular to take a similar stand. They and other left-leaning Democratic members of Congress started calling for temporary "humanitarian pauses" in Israel's bombing, a stance the Biden administration itself has now adopted.

All that said, there isn't a cease-fire in Gaza. President Biden is not calling for one, nor are the overwhelming majority of Democratic members of Congress. The pauses that the Biden administration supports haven't happened, either. All indications are that Israel is launching a ground campaign that will displace even more Palestinians. The activism isn't accomplishing its main goal — stopping Israel's bombing in Gaza.

But this mobilization is still important and valuable. Israel's offensive in Gaza would probably be even more aggressive and destructive to Palestinian civilians if not for those protesting it. And we need people standing for what's right, even if they can't make it happen. During the past few weeks, a dispersed group of activists and organizations has forced a much-needed national debate about the U.S. government's Israeli-Palestinian policies. We should be grateful that these people, who are not America's formal leaders, have led.

### **OPINION**

### LEE HOCKSTADER

# Russia's Mr. October

mong Vladimir Putin's most conspicuous traits is a predator's keen sense for his enemies' weaknesses. He rarely fails to take note, and in October he had plenty to take note of.

October was probably the best month for the Russian president since he unleashed his bloodsoaked invasion of Ukraine 20 months earlier. If the discrete events that broke his way constitute a trend, Kyiv faces a menacingly greater chance of losing the war - a scenario that would pose enormous risks to the U.S.-led North Atlantic Treaty Organization, not to mention the lives of millions of Ukrainians

That should seize the West's attention.

In the first few hours of Oct. 1, Moscow time, Congress voted to keep the U.S. government running, but only after a scaled-back \$6 billion package of military and civilian aid for Ukraine was stripped from the legislation. That reflected Kyiv's crumbling support among House Republicans and was a portent of more to come.

Just the day before, Putin had received good news from Slovakia, a small European country with the potential to cause big mischief. It elected a new government whose prime minister, pro-Russian populist Robert Fico, has suggested he would further block European Union military and economic assistance to Ukraine. He's not doing so for now - instead he is proposing conditions - but he represents a partner for the E.U.'s other pro-Russian populist leader, Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban, and together they could obstruct future help for Kyiv.

A week after Fico's electoral victory, Hamas murdered 1,400 Israelis, diverting the world's, and Washington's, attention from Putin's atrocities in Ukraine. Israel's brutal reprisals in the Gaza Strip handed Putin a propaganda cudgel to use against the West in the Global South. Why, went the specious argument, was the West outraged at the carnage in Ukraine but indifferent to it in Gaza? (Never mind that in each case the wider war had been triggered by the aggressors, Hamas and Russia.)

Amid those events, Ukraine's military counteroffensive, launched in June, sputtered to a halt as it faced dug-in Russian forces, soggy autumn weather and a worrying shortage of recruits. Moscow's troops launched their own attack on the eastern Ukrainian town of Avdiivka, taking enormous casualties and reminding the world that the Kremlin remains willing to use its bottomless supply of fresh soldiers as cannon fodder.

The war's deadlock suits Putin's strategy to exhaust Ukraine and outlast the West. It bore further fruit on Capitol Hill when Republicans elected a new House speaker, Rep. Mike Johnson (La.), who has voted repeatedly against funding for Ukraine. Immediately after being sworn in, he said he would block President Biden's effort to tether a new \$61 billion aid package for Ukraine to a new weapons package for Israel.

At the moment, U.S. support for Kyiv remains in



# Expect the sags, forget the stretches and other lessons for life's final chapter

### BY ANNE LAMOTT

etting older is almost like changing species, from cute middle-aged, white-tailed deer, to yak. We are both grass eaters, but that's about the only similarity. At the Safeway sushi bar during lunchtime, I look at the teenage girls in their crop tops with their stupid flat tummies and I feel bad about what lies beneath my big, forgiving shirts but and this is one of the blessings of aging - not for long. Aging has brought a modicum of self-compassion, and acceptance of what my husband and I call "the Sitch": the bodily and cognitive decline that we all face sooner or later. Still, at Safeway, I can't help but avert my eyes. Why push my luck?

Twenty years ago, when I turned 50, I showed the dark age spots on my arms and the backs of my hands to my wonderful dermatologist.

"They used to call these liver spots," I said, laughing.

There was silence. "They still call them liver spots," he replied.

60 is comical when, like me, you've worn nonmatching black flats out on stage. In my experience, most of us age away from brain and ambition toward heart and soul, and we bathe in relief that things are not worse. When I was younger, I was fixated on looking good and impressing people and being so big in the world. By 60, I didn't care nearly as much what people thought of me, mostly.

And anyway, you know by 60 that people are rarely thinking of you. They are thinking about their own finances, family problems and upper arms.

A lot of us thought when we were younger that we might want to stretch ourselves into other areas, master new realms. Now, I know better.

good to be reminded of this now and again. It's a great line, and the third-most-popular conversation we oldies have with each other, after the decline of our bodies and the latest senior moments: how many memorial services we go to these days.

Some weeks, it feels as though there is a sniper in the trees, picking off people we have loved for years. It breaks your heart, but as Carly Simon sang, there is more room in a broken heart. My heart is the roomiest it has ever been.

I do live in my heart more, which is hard in its own ways, but the blessing is that the yammer in my head is quieter, the endless questioning: What am I supposed to be doing? Is this the right thing? What do you think of that? What does he think of that?

My parents and the culture told me that I would be happier if I did a certain thing, or stopped doing that, or tried harder and did better. But as my great friend Father Terry Richey said, it's not about trying harder; it's about resisting less. This is right up aging's alley. Some days are sweet, some are just too long.

A lot of us thought when we were younger that we

doubt; without it, President Volodymyr Zelensky has told congressional leaders flatly, Ukraine will lose the war.

A final bouquet for Putin was delivered at the end of October, when a new poll in France put Marine Le Pen, an extreme nationalist with longstanding ties to Russia, atop the pack of plausible candidates in the 2027 French presidential election. Though Le Pen has condemned Putin's invasion, she has also opposed arming Ukraine - and her party for years relied on a multimillion-dollar loan from a Russian bank, paid off just this fall.

Putin sees and encourages these signs of Western wobbling, and history suggests they spur him to pursue his dream of Russia's imperial restoration.

A decade ago, Putin watched when President Barack Obama drew a "red line" against the use of chemical weapons in Syria's civil war, then did nothing when Syrian President Bashar al-Assad called his bluff. Six months later, Putin sent Russian troops into Crimea, which is part of Ukraine, and illegally annexed it.

Putin was also watching when Biden ordered what became a chaotic withdrawal of U.S. troops from Afghanistan in August 2021. Six months after that, he unleashed Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine.

Not all the October news was good for Putin; in Poland, a right-wing government whose steady backing for Kyiv had begun to waver was defeated. The new government, which might take power before the end of the year, is likely to reaffirm Warsaw's solid support for European aid for Ukraine, which has now surpassed U.S. backing.

Much of the West remains resolute behind Ukraine's aspiration to become a full-fledged member of the European club of free and democratic nations, which is exactly what Putin cannot countenance.

But the Russian dictator is playing the long game, attuned to every fissure in the transatlantic alliance. And the greatest potential crack of all -apotential election victory for Donald Trump, who is no friend of Ukraine's – looms just 12 months off. That, for Putin, could be game, set and match.



**Russian President Vladimir Putin at the China** National Convention Center in Beijing on Oct. 18.

My mother died of Alzheimer's disease when I was 50; my father had died of brain cancer 25 years before, so I have always been a bit more tense than the average bear about increasing holes in my memory, and more egregious moments of dither. I thought of my 50s as late middle age.

At 60, I tried to get this same dermatologist to authorize surgery to remove the pile of skin of my upper eyelid that gathered like a broken Roman shade at the eyelash line. "Look," I said, "the eyelid has consumed my eyeball. I will not be able to see soon."

I pulled out an inch of skin to demonstrate my infirmity

He pulled out three inches of his own. "Ticktock," he said. And he was right. All things skin had gone to hell, from the crepe of my forearms to lots of new precancerous lesions that he routinely froze off or biopsied, once making me use a horrible burning cream all over my face that turned me into Peeling Tomato Girl.

So many indignities are involved in aging, and yet so many graces, too. The perfectionism that had run me ragged and has kept me scared and wired my whole life has abated. The idea of perfectionism at

**ADAM LASHINSKY** 

I have no idea of the process that released some of that clench and self-consciousness, except that by a certain age some people beloved to me had died. And then you seriously get real about how short and precious life is. You have bigger fish to fry than your saggy butt. Also, what more can you lose, and what more can people do to you that age has not already done? You thought you could physically do this or that - i.e., lift the dog into the back seat - but two weeks later your back is still complaining. You thought that your mind was thrilling to others, but it turns out that not everyone noticed, and now they're just worried because your shoes don't match.

Anyway, as my dermatologist hinted, the tock did tick, and one day he was gone. He retired. Then last year, I heard he died.

Which brings us to death, deathly old death. At a few months shy of 70, with eyeballs squinting through the folds, I now face the possibility that I might die someday. My dad said after his cancer diagnosis that we are all on borrowed time, and it is

### might want to stretch ourselves into other areas, master new realms. Now, I know better. I'm happy with the little nesty areas that are mine. For some reason, I love my softer, welcoming tummy. I laugh gently more often at darling confused me's spacedouted ness, although I'm often glad no one was around to witness my lapses.

Especially my son, who frequently and jovially brings up APlaceForMom.com. He'll say, "I found you a really nice place nearby, where they'll let you have a little dog!" Recently, I was graciously driving him and his teenage son somewhere and made a tiny driving mistake hardly worth mentioning - I did not hit anyone, nor did I leave the filling station with the nozzle still in the gas tank - and he said to his boy just loud enough so that I could hear, "I'm glad we live so close to town, so it won't be as hard for her when we have to take away her keys."

I roared with laughter, and with love, and with an ache in my heart for something I can't name.

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# Waiting for interest rates to go down? Don't.

onsumers don't need an economics lesson to understand the impact of high interest rates. They feel it in the cost of mortgages, currently above 7.5 percent for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage - the highest in 23 years. It's a similar story for car loans, which auto executives also understand all too well. Elon Musk, speaking for a change on a subject for which he has firsthand knowledge, recently blamed the rate spike for Tesla's weaker-than-expected sales results. "I am worried about the high interest rate environment that we're in," he told Tesla investors. "I just can't emphasize this enough that for the vast majority of people, buying a car is about the monthly payment.

Less appreciated by corporate titans and everyday borrowers alike is the massive changes in store if interest rates, abnormally low for the past 15 years, remain high for months and years to come. An entire generation of professionals has grown accustomed to ultralow rates, which translates into dirt-cheap money for anyone wanting to borrow. Low costs of capital, in turn, encouraged all sorts of dodgy behavior. Free or nearly free money drives business decisions that don't necessarily take into consideration the need to earn a return on those investments.

If the rate jump were merely a hiccup – and many came to believe that's what it would be - none of this would matter. But the reality is that the period beginning after the financial crisis of 2008 and 2009 is what was unusual. For most of modern financial history, U.S. interest rates, best represented by the yield at which the federal government pays to borrow money for 10 years, have hovered in the mid-single digits. The 10-year Treasury bill spiked at times – famously above 15 percent in the early 1980s - but generally hovered about where it is now, in the neighborhood of 6 percent. On Wednesday, the Federal Reserve left its benchmark unchanged, but left open the possibility of another increase.

Persistently high rates - Wall Streeters are calling the phenomenon "higher for longer" would mean that the rules of business will look more like they did in decades past and less like in recent memory, when rates hovered below 2 percent and at times touched zero. That means that all sorts of businesses (as well as the U.S. government), which had gotten used to borrowing cheap and spending their loot willy-nilly, will be forced to scrutinize their decisions far more carefully.

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Consider the streaming wars of the last decade. The starting gun of that skirmish was the release by Netflix of the series "House of Cards," a breakthrough for a tech company that previously made money mailing out rental DVDs. Netflix carried \$500 million in long-term debt in 2013, the year it released the series about Beltway deceit. By last year, that figure had ballooned to more than \$14 billion. Yet interest costs on that debt amounted to a mere 2 percent of revenue, the perfect illustration of how cheap money enabled Netflix to fund billions in annual spending on movies and TV shows. That debt will become increasingly more expensive to refinance. Given that all of Hollywood followed Netflix down the streaming rabbit hole, the rise of interest rates is one powerful reason the entertainment industry's spending will decline as it consolidates.

The 21st-century venture-capital business also was built on cheap money. Endowments and pension funds, unable to earn satisfactory returns in the debt market - the same phenomenon as retirees frustrated by meager returns in their savings accounts - flooded into VC funds. Venture funding grew tenfold from 2010 to \$163 billion last year. The companies they funded could muddle along for years without earning profits so long as they grew enough to suggest that one day they'd earn money. That day has come to an end for all but the best start-ups, and overall VC funding undoubtedly will shrink as rates rise, or simply remain elevated.

One of the biggest debtors in the world, the U.S. government, has a problem, too. Payments on the national debt have nearly doubled in two years to \$659 billion, making interest costs the federal government's fourth-largest expenditure. And that was largely before interest rates began rising. There's considerable disagreement over how big a problem this is given that the government's overall debt-service capacity remains strong by global standards. But there's no question that ballooning payments will put pressure on the federal budget, just as rising rates will turn up the heat on all borrowers.

This news isn't necessarily all bad. The U.S. economy continues to grow robustly, rising at nearly a 5 percent annualized clip in the third quarter. Whether that growth lasts, it shows that individuals and businesses can adjust to a high-rate environment. But it will be an adjustment all the same, resulting in more judicious decisions by business moguls and lawmakers on the one hand, and car buyers and homeowners on the other.

Borrowers will look back fondly on the era of low interest rates the way middle-aged people consider their youth: It was good while it lasted, but it's not coming back.

AN INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER

# How America can research its way to gun safety

HILE CONGRESS hasn't become more willing in recent years to pass legislation to reduce gun violence, it has become more willing to pay for studies on how to do just that. The initial results suggest many lives could be saved – and without one side prevailing in the culture war over gun rights.

A recent conference of the Research Society for the Prevention of Firearm-Related Harms highlighted a trove of information EDITORIAL amassed since Congress reversed its two-decade freeze on federal

gun research. The findings could give lawmakers some new ideas

Government dollars can be devoted to studying firearm harms only if the money isn't used to promote gun control. The research society is purely a scientific organization, not an advocacy group - but its findings speak for themselves. They point to an array of policy changes that could cut down on the shocking nearly 50,000 deaths from gun injuries the United States sees every year. Some of these are changes familiar to anyone concerned with the crisis. Other changes are more novel. That might mean they have a better chance of getting made.

Start with the tried-and-true ideas. One study connects the introduction of comprehensive background checks to immediate reductions in firearm homicides in Oregon. Another finds that permitto-purchase laws, which require people to obtain a license before buying a gun, were associated with reductions in suicides by firearm; another shows



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An employee passes rifles at Knob Creek Gun Range in West Point, Ky., in July 2021.

that the same type of law was associated with reductions in hospitalization rates. On the flip side, Wisconsin repealed legislation requiring a 48-hour waiting period before taking possession of a firearm after purchase. Soon after, both selfinflicted gun injuries and injuries inflicted on others rose significantly.

The research shows these types of restrictions are as wise as ever. The steps might be small compared with bans on assault rifles or high-capacity magazines, but they make a difference. And although the passage of these policies is controversial, enforcement where they already exist shouldn't be. The studies have good insight into this issue, too; one of them, for example, examines the impact of negligent gun dealers on school shootings.

Yet what's special about the research society's store of data is the way it surfaces policies that aren't the subject of frequent discussion or frenzied debate.

Few people pay attention to what happens when victims of gun violence enter an emergency room. If the patients are armed themselves, hospitals can help by giving them the option to place their weapons in a safe for storage, then providing them with a free cable lock and a safety brochure when they retrieve it. Intervention can also prevent gun violence patients from suffering the same fate in the future. Hospitals can ensure there's a focus on emotional and social, as well as medical, recovery and steer the victims for whom violence is a feature of everyday life toward programs that put them on a different path.

Along these same lines, a project in D.C. involves a community-level youth firearms prevention initiative backed by the National Institutes of Health. The

aim is to make adolescents aware of the "possible selves" available to them - teaching them, while they are still developing their sense of identity, that they shouldn't expect violent futures just because there's violence in their presents.

Another study touts the positive effects of summer youth employment programs; it doesn't hurt that these take place during the time of year when the structure and support that school usually provides are absent. (By the way, extremely hot days also tend to be extremely violent - the subject of another study, and one more reason to address climate change and for cities to develop strategies to make heat waves more bearable.) And a separate body of research tracks the effect of creating more green spaces and remediating blight in urban environments. In Toledo, for instance, shootings were more likely in areas in evident disrepair, even after accounting for poverty levels.

Efforts to ban assault rifles and high-capacity magazines, as well as to beef up background checks and red-flag laws, are all worth the fight. But they do require a fight, and so far the side that favors these measures has lost most of its battles - even as the body count soars. The renewal of federal funds for firearms research is worth celebrating in itself. The answers that research provides, meanwhile, could be the starting point for meaningful action that doesn't determine who can own a gun or where they can bring it. Policymakers shouldn't discount these steps because they're modest. They should take them.

### **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

### The Fairfax County student walkout

Regarding the Oct. 29 Metro article "Fairfax students walk out for Gaza":

Students who walked out of Fairfax County high schools in support of Gaza might benefit from a 1960s "teach-in." What do these students know of the history of the region - or the geography? When chanting "From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free," how many know what/where these bodies of water are? Do they know about the U.N. resolution in 1947 calling for the creation of Jewish and Arab states? Do they know how many times Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat stepped away from a dual-state solution in the Middle East? How can they call Israel a colonizer country when Jews have lived there for centuries even before the birth of Islam?

There are centuries of history in this region. These kids need to dig deeper than what they can pull up on TikTok.

**Colleen Ligibel**, Annapolis

The online headline for the Oct. 29 Metro article on student protests, "Muslim students stage walkouts in Fairfax high schools over Gaza war," contributed to the misunderstanding of the Israeli-Palestinian crisis as a religious issue rather than a human rights issue. Many of the students who participated in the walkouts were not Muslim. In fact, the walkouts were co-sponsored by multiple student associations. My daughter was one of the participants and organizers of the walkout at her school, and she is a Palestinian American of Christian faith. The article mentioned the percentages of Muslims and Jews in Fairfax County. Why are these percentages relevant in this context? Many Jewish people, including some students who participated in the walkouts, have been outspoken about their outrage toward Israel killing Palestinians in the Gaza Strip. The article didn't mention that some parents who "drove to McLean High School on Friday morning to observe the protest" filmed students who participated in the walkout, intimidating them and making them feel unsafe. In the days leading up to the protest, student organizers faced threats, harassment and intimidation. There were serious attempts to curtail students' constitutional rights to express dissent over the massacre of innocent Palestinians unfolding before our eyes.



### **ANN TELNAES** Portrait of a family



solutions to contain their possible damage before they wreak havoc on society.

Art Vidrine, Hyattsville The writer is an associate professor of art at Bowie State University.

### Gerrymandering is antidemocratic

Regarding the Sept. 28 news article "Court rulings set to play key role in battle for Congress":

It has become clear that the North Carolina GOP has no interest in American democracy or the input of voters but is interested only in grabbing and retaining power. Abusing an ill-gotten supermajority gained by the state Rep. Tricia Cotham flipping parties after she posed as a Democrat to get elected, Republicans rammed through a grossly gerrymandered election map. This map will eliminate three more Democratic districts and leave only one competitive district in the state.

This is not representative democracy. Partisan gerrymandering is undemocratic and needs to be eliminated. This map dilutes the Black voting population, entrenches Republican supermajorities and renders voters' input meaningless. It is outrageous and wrong that in a consistently purple

The students who walked out give us hope that a different future is possible.

Aline Batarseh, McLean

### Net neutrality rules

The Oct. 29 editorial, "Finally, some rules for the internet," correctly noted that the internet has not broken in the absence of Federal Communications Commission "net neutrality" regulations. U.S. broadband providers have invested nearly half a trillion dollars in U.S. networks since the FCC repealed these rules in 2017. As a result, the core arguments for "net neutrality," which were always questionable, have all but disappeared.

The FCC acknowledged this in its recent proposed rulemaking by piling on a kitchen sink of specious new justifications, including national security, for granting itself sweeping new authorities to manage how the internet operates. Broadband providers are in the business of connecting our communities. We agree that the internet should remain open. We also agree that the Telecommunications Act's archaic classifications are not "well-suited to the modern internet."

The FCC's proposal is nothing more than a regulatory land grab. This is an issue for Congress to resolve once and for all. Settling for imposing outdated rules that are "better than nothing" is not the right answer.

> Jonathan Spalter, Washington The writer is president and chief executive of USTelecom.

I was dismayed to read in the Oct. 29 editorial the statement, "What, exactly, net neutrality rules look like matters less than that there are meaningful rules for broadband more generally." Contrary to this perspective, lawsuits against Meta from 41 states show that regulatory specifics matter. The internet has become an essential utility, like water or highways. The specific details of proposed net neutrality regulations will define how successfully and to what extent there is accountability for the public interest. The public interest is harmed by unequal tiers of internet services, with high bandwidth for some and lower bandwidth for others.

Internet regulation needs a detailed, probitybased approach to identify adverse business behaviors. A Facebook whistleblower's 2021 congressional testimony revealed the dangers of the absence of such probity about social media. This culminated in lawsuits being filed against Meta for allegedly harming minors. The testimony alleged that Meta put profits above the safety, mental health and well-being of its young users and our society. History demonstrates that absent detailed regulatory governance, corporate actors take profits at the expense of corporate responsibility.

Details are needed about exactly what aspects of net neutrality will require regulation. Can cable companies offer higher broadband upload and download speeds for customers who pay more? For net neutrality, "meaningful rules" means providing details about every specific policy scenario that can potentially protect the public interest. Misha Speede, Alexandria Altering photographs is old news

In his Nov. 1 op-ed, "Google's Pixel removes reality from photography," Matt Bai decried a recent Google ad campaign that exuberantly markets the newest Pixel phone's ability to alter reality in photos within seconds. Though Mr. Bai's concerns over deepfakes and truth in general are valid and shared by many, the source of his concerns might be misplaced.

Altering truth in photographs is nearly as old as photography itself, from Alexander Gardner's staged Civil War photos to Soviet erasures of political adversaries to Jerry Uelsmann's realitybending composites. For years, photo editing programs such as Adobe Photoshop have used artificial intelligence to allow photographers and graphic designers the ability to alter digital photos completely. Google merely took that technology and made it easier to use and more ubiquitous for consumers, the same way that the Kodak Brownie made photography accessible to everyone at the start of the 20th century.

More concerning than the Google Pixel's AI editing prowess is AI's ability to generate images out of whole cloth. Soon, AI will possess the ability to generate not only images but also videos of anyone. What happens to our judicial system and to our relationships with others if the technology becomes so advanced that authorities can no longer distinguish whether an incriminating image or video is fake? Google didn't let the spurious-reality genie out of the box, but now that altered images are more prominent in culture, we need to work on

state such as North Carolina, the legislature is a supermajority, districts are not competitive and election outcomes are predetermined regardless of turnout

Perhaps if the North Carolina GOP adopted mainstream policies with strong public approval rather than its current radical, extremist agenda, it wouldn't need to be afraid of the state's voters. Curtis Kelly, Hillsborough, N.C.

### Those who benefited should pay

As reported in the Oct. 28 news article "Brazilian bank called on to pay reparations for slavery," Rio de Janeiro had the largest slave port in the Americas during the transatlantic slave trade and is responsible for the trafficking of about 5 million enslaved people. The effects of the slave trade on enslaved groups and their descendants are horrific. It is important to shine a light on the implications of what took place during this gruesome period.

Not only did enslaved people work in strenuous and hazardous conditions without compensation. but they were also often brutally abused, treated inhumanely and ostracized. This treatment did not end when slavery was abolished, and neither did the poverty and oppression that many Black, Brown and Indigenous Brazilians face today.

Institutions such as Banco Do Brasil were funded by the transatlantic slave trade and played an active role in prolonging the abolition process to promote its own interests. As a result, this institution and others that benefited from these acts should issue a public apology and think of an effective plan to rectify things moving forward. It is not enough for this bank to say that it feels sorry for this unfortunate chapter in history and excuse itself from the conversation simply because it was not the only group involved. It should be held accountable for the damage it caused and pay reparations to the descendants of slavery.

**Ophelia Murray**, Chevy Chase

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### **KAREN TUMULTY**

Virginia, America's focus group for 2024

NEWPORT NEWS, VA. he sweaty man who came bounding up Antoine Johnson's driveway didn't need to introduce himself or explain why he was prowling this suburban neighborhood on an unseasonably hot afternoon. "I've been getting emails and texts all week," Johnson told his state senator, Monty Mason.

For the people who live in this part of Virginia, it is hard to escape Mason (D-Williamsburg) or his Republican opponent, former York County sheriff J.D. "Danny" Diggs. Or the television spots, mailed fliers and electronic messages with which they are blanketing the Tidewater region. Between the two of them, the candidates have raised close to \$9 million and spent more than half of it on ads.

Predictions are that the 24th Senate district could be the tightest contest in Virginia's General Assembly elections on Tuesday. President Biden won it by about three percentage points in 2020. Republican Gov. Glenn Youngkin carried it in 2021 by about the same margin. And it split nearly evenly in last year's congressional election. "One source involved in this year's campaigns told us the district could be decided by double-digits - in terms of actual raw votes, not percentage margin, that is," analysts J. Miles Coleman and Jackson Hamilton wrote in Sabato's Crystal Ball, the authoritative political tipsheet run by the University of Virginia's Center for Politics.

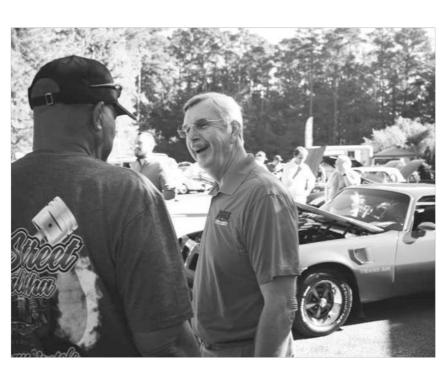
Adding to the uncertainty is the fact that the last round of redistricting, conducted by an independent commission, took away about one-third of Mason's Democratic precincts and replaced them with ones that lean Republican. "We've known since the day this district was drawn, this would be a 50-50 race," he said.

As one Democratic activist put it to me, this race is likely to be the "critical tipping point" - determining whether Youngkin and his fellow Republicans pick up the two seats they need to take a majority of the 40-member Virginia Senate, and with it, trifecta control of all the levers of government in Richmond. That is, unless Democrats do well enough to flip the 100-member House of Delegates, where Republicans currently hold a 50-46 majority.

If Republicans succeed, it will burnish Youngkin's national reputation and potentially position him for a presidential run, more likely in 2028 than as a late entry in 2024.

A victory would also provide a template for Republicans across the country. Politically, the battleground districts of Virginia are not all that different from the suburbs around Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Phoenix and Atlanta, "where the congressional, Senate and presidential races will be decided in 2024," noted Dave Rexrode, Youngkin's senior political adviser. Rexrode also runs the governor's political action committee which has raised upward of \$26 million over the past two years. Across Virginia, abortion has become the overriding issue on the airwaves for the Democrats, highlighted in more than 40 percent of their ads. Republicans are talking about it in only 3 percent of theirs, according to the tracking firm AdImpact. But Mason noted: "People bring it up to me. I don't have to lead with it in a lot of places.





v. Wade last year. Abortion in Virginia is legal up to 26 weeks of gestation. Youngkin has proposed banning it after 15 weeks, with exceptions in

one who served more than two decades as a sheriff, Diggs would rather talk about crime and public safety which have been common themes of

Republicans across the state. Both

candidates are seasoned campaigners,

though their demeanors could hardly

be more different. Mason, 55, is gregar-

ious and engages with every voter he

sees; Diggs, 11 years older, is stiffer and

more reserved. At a car show in York-

town last weekend, the former sheriff

stood to the side of the festivities and

made his pitch only to those who

approached him. "You saw me at Dairy

candidates are past the point of per-

suasion. Their chief goal is getting

people to the polls – a challenge, given

that turnout in these off-off-year elec-

tions tends to be low. I spent part of

last weekend with each of them as they

knocked on doors, at houses where

they knew likely supporters live. I

heard little discussion of the issues;

This close to the election, both

Queen!" one man reminded him.

PHOTOS BY GREG KAHN FOR THE WASHINGTON POS

Above: Virginia state Sen. Monty Mason, a Democrat running for reelection in a redrawn district, canvasses a neighborhood in Newport News on Oct. 28.

At left: Mason's Republican opponent, former sheriff Danny Diggs, greets potential voters at a car show in York County on Oct. 28.

that in-person voting is underway and making sure they knew where their polling places were.

Early voting has been a Youngkin priority as well, but the effort has not been without its challenges. To the detriment of GOP candidates, former president Donald Trump has sowed mistrust of the expansion of voting that many states, including Virginia, put into place during the covid-19 pandemic. At the car show, retiree Robert Carter, the proud owner of a 1976 Chevy Corvette Stingray, resisted Diggs's entreaties to take advantage of the fact that the polls are already open. Carter and his wife plan to wait until Tuesday, he told me, because "that way

Democrats still have an early-voting

edge, but the strides that Republicans

are making in Virginia are worrying to

some Democrats I talked to - a

possible sign that the abortion issue is

not generating the intensity they had

hoped. The latest figures compiled by

the nonprofit, nonpartisan Virginia

Public Access Project indicate that the

GOP share of early voting is up from

2021 and 2022. What won't be known

we know that everything is fine."

**GEORGE F. WILL** 

# Is the GOP about to give Putin a pat on the back?

"Russian occupiers . . . forced families to listen as they raped women next door, members of a U.N.-mandated investigative body said."

### - Reuters

n March 2022, three weeks into the war, the Russians dropped two 500-kilogram bombs on a theater in Mariupol, Ukraine, where hundreds of civilians, their homes having been destroyed, were sheltering. On the pavement on each side of the theater was painted in giant Cyrillic letters the Russian word for "children." Perhaps 600 people died. The implausible idea that this was an accident became even more so 23 days later when, after a missile attack on refugees at a railway station, the words "for children" – up to nine children were among the up to 63 people killed – were found painted on fragments of the missile. Did this mean revenge for children killed, according to Russian propaganda, by Ukrainian military actions in Russian-occupied portions of Ukraine? Retired Army Gen. David Petraeus and historian Andrew Roberts think not. In their new book, "Conflict: The Evolution of Warfare from 1945 to Ukraine," they ascribe the missile attack not to revenge but to "a truly depraved psychology."

A Russian military consistency has been barbarism: Remember the explosive toys Russians scattered to maim Afghan children who would thereafter be burdens for adults too distracted to fight. This is the Russia that some congressional Republicans would, by ending aid for Ukraine, rescue from the criminal misadventure Vladimir Putin began on Feb. 24, 2022.

Today, for a second year, Russia is engaged in what is called "weaponizing winter." The aim, Petraeus and Roberts say, is to freeze "the Ukrainian people to death in their homes, barracks and foxholes, by destroying power stations, water treatment plants and electrical grids." But neither Napoleon's bedraggled troops on their 1,500-mile retreat from Moscow to Paris in 1812 nor Hitler's ill-equipped legions, some of whose frozen evelids fell off, were as used to extreme cold as Ukrainians are.

Churchill in 1942: "There is a winter, you know, in Russia. ... Hitler forgot about this Russian winter. He must have been very loosely educated."

That is because Virginia is the last Southern state where the procedure has remained widely available after the Supreme Court overturned Roe

'The Sound of Music'

cases of rape, incest and where the life of the pregnant woman is threatened. (More than 93 percent of abortions take place at or before 13 weeks, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.)

So, the Virginia election is being watched by both parties as a signal of whether abortion will be the 2024 silver bullet that many Democrats are hoping for, or whether Youngkin has created a safe middle ground for Republicans on the issue.

Diggs supports the governor's proposal, which he says is "another example of Republicans being able to bring people together," and vows not to go any further toward restricting abortion. "Some people are going to vote on the issue alone, and if we don't stick to our promise on that, we don't deserve" a victory, he told me.

### **ALEXANDRA PETRI**

# But, as might be expected of someboth focused on reminding people I loved my grandmother as much as she hated

he trouble with most people is that they worry about the wrong things. Pornography, for instance.

Those words aren't mine. They're my grandmother's, from a column she wrote for the Noblesville (Ind.) Daily Ledger. Her name was Georgianne Neal, and those two lines should give you a sense of what she was like, but I am going to try anyway. When I think of her, I think of her laughing, throwing her head back for a hearty cackle

She wouldn't want this to be sentimental, and she would want it to be short. I don't think she would like how much time I am about to spend on "The Sound of Music," but unfortunately she is not around to offer edits, and I want this to be funny.

Because she was so funny. Funny generally ages badly, unless it's a joke about farts. Fortunately, she loved jokes about farts. She loved jokes. She had an ear for stories. One of her favorites was about a friend who began every speech with the words "Hi, I'm John Clough" - until he was called upon to deliver a prayer and began it by introducing himself to God ("Hi, I'm John Clough"). She called lunch "beer and wine time." She loved the state of Indiana. She loved obscure Indiana history. She loved Santa Fe and Willa Cather and William Faulkner and Lew Wallace and Methodist hymns.

She was surprisingly eager to try out



Alexandra Petri and her grandmother Georgianne Neal.

new technology. She was active on AOL Instant Messenger and was one of my first friends there. She had a robot from the Sharper Image named Emilio that was supposed to ferry drinks on a tray, but its robotic arm was broken, and it would roll toward you in a stately fashion, spilling your drink on the floor. Later, we got her Google Home and programmed it to play "God Save the Queen" if anyone came into the house and said "I'm a burglar." She loved gag gifts. She had a pillow that showed the Sistine Chapel scene of Michelangelo's Adam and God reaching for one another and that played

"I Want to Hold Your Hand" when you wound it up.

Every year at Christmas, we watched the Kennedy Center Honors, and some years we watched "The Sound of Music," which she could not stand. One of her great delights was watching things she could not stand, and "The Sound of Music" was at the top of that list. "There are all those idiot children," she would say when the von Trapps appeared. "You know, standing and listening to someone as they sing is a really stupid thing."

"Do we know why his wife died?" my mom once asked, pointing at Captain von Trapp

"Because he kept singing," my grandma chimed in.

She was one of my first, and best, audiences. As a child, I inflicted some of my earliest attempts at political humor on her. I remember performing an original song called "You've Got to Knock Before You Enter," which culminated with the verse: "Ms. Tripp had this problem! That's how it all began! She didn't go a knockin' before she went a-walkin' and that certainly wasn't her plan!" (To this day, I don't know what 10-year-old me thought Linda Tripp had done. It certainly wasn't that.) I inflicted Elvis impersonations on her. (I had the wig on backward, and my grandma did not know I was Elvis.) Yet she *encouraged* me! Whenever I wanted to know if what I had written was good or funny, the refrain was: Ask

until Election Day is whether these are people who would have shown up anyway, or a sign that the GOP is bringing in voters who normally skip these legislative elections.

Millions of dollars are pouring in, and the air war is intense. But as it comes down to the finish line, this is a race – and a state – that must be run, and will be won, one doorstep and driveway at a time.

Grandma. If I could make her laugh, I

knew I had something. She was a merci-

less editor in the best way, and her cuts

Sentimentality made her gag, so she

can skip this paragraph, if she is reading

along. She seldom talked about herself

despite a stunning roster of accomplish-

ments. I didn't even know about all the

columns she had written until I was

myself writing a column and she turned

up with some yellowed clippings. She had

done what you did when you were a

smart, hilarious woman born in 1920: She

married, raised two daughters and never

finished the novel she always said she

wanted to write (though she kept telling

me that if I ever wanted to write a novel,

I find that the times I laugh the hard-

est, the real belly laughs, the ones where

tears come to my eyes and I keep laughing

until my sides ache, are at things that are

utterly unintelligible to people who were

not in that particular room at that partic-

ular moment. This is how I feel now. The

funniest people I know are the ones who

are most generous with their laughter.

Perhaps that's why I always remember

my grandma laughing. She was the funni-

est one in the room. I'm grateful I got to

spend more than 30 years in the room

She died this past week. She was 92.

The next time you see "The Sound of

Music," please turn it off in her honor.

with her.

she knew just what it should be about).

were nearly always right.

It is fitting that eight decades after Hitler's hubristic invaders discovered that they should have been supplied with winter clothing, Putin's invaders blundered into Ukraine assuming that they would subdue a nation roughly the size of Texas in 72 hours: Soldiers were given only five days' provisions and were told to pack their dress uniforms for the victory parade scheduled for Kyiv on May 9, which Russia commemorates as the anniversary of Germany's 1945 surrender.

Putin's barbarians have, unsurprisingly, slaked their thirst for destruction by assaulting culture. "It is hard to escape the conclusion," write Petraeus and Roberts, "that by looting some museums and art galleries, and deliberately targeting others for destruction, the Russians were hoping to destroy Ukraine's sense of cultural and historical identity." Never mind that Putin's war justification is that Ukraine has no distinct identity. And how should we categorize the barbarians' would-be abettors on Capitol Hill?

Days into the war, Russians attacked Red Cross evacuation routes. Later they would use thermobaric weapons, a vacuum bomb with two charges, as Petraeus and Roberts explain: "The first disperses fuel into the air and the second ignites it, sucking all the oxygen out of people's lungs." It was a notable barbarity, "especially against civilians trapped in enclosed spaces."

Russia's war crimes - targeting civilians, kidnapping children, mass executions, torture, rape - are not incidental to, they are premeditated tactics in, the war that some congressional Republicans seem eager to help Putin win. He knows the help he needs. "If Western defense supplies are terminated tomorrow," Putin said on Oct. 5, "Ukraine will have a week left to live as it runs out of ammunition."

This blithe acknowledgment that killing Ukraine is his intention came as some congressional Republicans were intensifying their opposition to aiding Ukraine. Their canine obedience to Donald Trump is congruent with his vow that if reelected he will end the war "in 24 hours." These Republicans, and the constituents to whom they pander, are not less odious than the congressional and campus progressives "contextualizing" (a progressive synonym for "justifying") Hamas's sadism.

In his poem "September 1, 1939," as the war in Europe began, W.H. Auden wrote: "As the clever hopes expire / Of a low dishonest decade." Today, during the biggest European war since then, many Americans seem so indifferent to its outcome that they are prepared to decide the outcome by abandoning the bleeding victim with a low, dishonest shrug.

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# A SEAT AT THE TABLE

Curtis Chin on finding his place, and helping other Asian American authors do it too

### BY MEENA VENKATARAMANAN IN BOSTON

hen I sat down to talk to filmmaker, writer and activist Curtis Chin, it felt strangely like chatting with a friend I'd known for years. Maybe it was because I'd caught him in a familiar setting, where he's most relaxed and himself: a Chinese restaurant. Here, he sat back comfortably and breathed easily, drumming his fingers over the colorful bilingual menu like a piano he'd played countless times. ¶ Chin, 55, grew up in a Chinese restaurant in Detroit: His family's eatery, Chung's, kept its doors open for 60 years, until the flagship downtown location closed in 2000. Chung's is the backbone of Chin's recent memoir, "Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant," which chronicles his experience growing up Chinese American as the third-born of six children in 1980s Detroit and coming to terms with being gay. Chin is no stranger to writing — he's been writing for more than three decades. But this is his first book, and reading it — with its medley of cheesy jokes, candid reflections and Motown lyrics — mirrors what it feels like to chat with Chin: friendly, seemingly effortless, intimate.

Curtis Chin at Hei La Moon in Boston. His new memoir is "Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant."

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### **BOOK WORLD**

# A parrot saves a woman from lockdown loneliness

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Even before I worked through all the toilet paper I'd panic-bought during the pandemic, I was receiving novels about covid. The books seem to arrive more frequently than new booster shots. Gary Shteyngart's

"Our Country Friends," Louise Erdrich's "The Sentence," Ali Smith's "Companion Piece," Jodi Picoult's "Wish You Were Here," Ann Patchett's "Tom Lake" and others fill the shelf of our era's ever-expanding covidature. Of course, it would be exceedingly strange if novelists ignored the pandemic that killed millions, transformed work life and gutted cities, but, talented as these writers are, it's getting harder to resist a kind of literary vaccine fatigue.

Sigrid Nunez raised the alarm early. Her 2010 novel, "Salvation City," describes a devastating flu epidemic. Now, in "The Vulnerables," she turns her attention to 2020 and the actual pandemic we all endured. Once again, death marches across the world, but there are unnerving benefits, too. "I couldn't help feeling guilty about the pleasure I took in the lifeless streets," she says. "To be the only pedestrian, block after block, to have an acre of Central Park to yourself."

That unnamed narrator is an older New York novelist who sounds a lot like the author so many readers discovered in 2018 when she published "The Friend," which won the National Book Award for fiction. Early in this new story, as death rates soar, a young acquaintance admonishes her to be more careful about spending so much time wandering around outside. "You're a vulnerable," the woman tells the narrator. "And you need to act like one."

For the most part, she does. In fact, the story's fidelity to the nature of life under lockdown results in a plot with a dangerously faint pulse. But "The Vulnerables" also captures the weird arrangements that the virus made common. "We were all living," the narrator says, "with the sense that, at any moment, some inexplicable new story would unfold."

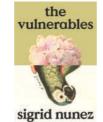
Sure enough, one does. When a friend of a friend is stuck in California, the narrator agrees to housesit their parrot. It's really no trouble. The parrot, named Eureka, lives in a luxurious apartment in an empty building. All the other wellheeled residents have fled. ("I was struck," she says, "by how many of the people I knew had second homes." Me too.)

The companionship is a godsend for both narrator and bird. They spend hours watching each other, amusing each other. "He could hardly have been more grateful



concludes with devastating effect that the documentary "My Octopus Teacher" "was the kind of story that makes me think I should have changed my life. Instead, I have wasted it."

Those little explosions of pathos detonate periodically through this story - their power even more impressive for the way Nunez repeatedly lulls us into the comfort of her wry, ruminative voice. Much of "The Vulnerables" winds through considerations on how economic class shapes labor conditions during lockdown, the mystery of evil in a world created by a loving God, the calamity of Donald Trump, the problem with people always staring at their phones. At times, these passages risk sliding into low-level rants about the world going to hell in a handbasket. "Why had things changed so?" she asks in one nakedly plaintive moment. Drifting from subject to subject, offering up stray memories, anecdotes and well-polished truisms, "The Vulnerables" seems designed to prove Nunez's claim that "the traditional novel has lost its place as the major genre of our time.... No matter how well done, it seems to lack urgency." But that's a ruse. "The Vulnerables" isn't a rejection of the novel as a form so much as a test of its dimensions. "People



THE VULNERABLES

By Sigrid Nunez Riverhead. 242 pp. \$28 without hope don't write novels," the narrator points out. "I am writing a novel. Therefore I must have hope. Does that work?" Sort of.

Stasis, ennui and writer's block are painfully common but devilishly difficult to portray in fiction. The very act of bringing depression to life betrays the experience of living with it. Nunez works around that problem, partially, by inviting us into a circuitous search for inspiration in other writers' works. I can't remember another novel that felt so stuffed with literary allusions, quotations and references. A fully footnoted edition of "The Vulnerables" would be twice as long. From the opening line borrowed from Virginia Woolf's "The Years" to her skeptical interrogation of Joan Didion's "Slouching Towards Bethlehem," Nunez name-checks a whole library of reading -Edna O'Brien, Rousseau, Norman Mailer, Chekhov, Georges Perec, Günter Grass, Ogden Nash, Jeanette Winterson, on and on. That could sound pretentious, but that's not the effect here. Instead, it feels like an almost desperate effort to reestablish the architecture of literature in a world where everything has been swept away – like trying to picture each object in the house to calm your nerves on a stormy night.

But there's a more dynamic thrust to this novel, too, that helps dramatize the narrator's efforts to remain in contact with humanity as the coronavirus separates and isolates everyone she knows. About halfway through "The Vulnerables," Nunez introduces a second character — a second *human* character, that is. One morning, the narrator gets up in the parrot's apartment and finds a young man snacking in the kitchen. She knows immediately that he must be the *first* parrot-sitter, the irresponsible kid who flew the coop to be with his friends in Vermont.

He's flaky and unfocused, and everything about his presence in the

for my company than I was for his," she writes. "I woke up every day looking forward to this simple chore." And that duty inspires one of the novel's most touching chapters, which is actually more of a reflective essay on the rejuvenating effects of interacting with animals — "a curb against misanthropy, into which these days it is all too easy to fall." She moves swiftly from her childhood to Jane Goodall, "Born Free," birding and anthropomorphism. Indeed, it's tempting to imagine that the plot has been abandoned entirely, but then she apartment — his messiness! his casual good looks! his testosterone! — irritates her. He won't leave. She won't leave either.

And then ... well. You'll just have to read it. Or ask the parrot.

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On Nov. 13 at 7 p.m., Sigrid Nunez will be in conversation with Molly McCloskey at Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

# Hilary Mantel's sharp writing stretched beyond Wolf Hall

### **BY MALCOLM FORBES**

n 2007, Hilary Mantel wrote an article for the Guardian that took its lead from a comment made by fellow English writer Martin Amis about different modes and means of writing. Amis claimed that his journalism and criticism were the work of his left hand while his fiction flowed from his right. For Mantel, the reverse was the case. "Thinking back over my career as a columnist, I know that my pieces came from my right hand - trained, clear, biddable and capable of keeping count," she declared. In contrast, the fiction she created, packed with ideas, rich in imagery and imbued with meaning, was "scuffled onto the page hesitantly, furtively, transgressively, by night and with the wrong hand."

That wrong hand produced extraordinary results, especially in Mantel's later years. Her best-selling, prize-garlanded Wolf Hall trilogy, about the rise and fall of Henry VIII's arch-fixer and master manipulator Thomas Cromwell — "the devil in guise of a knave" was a magisterial achievement and represented the capstone to a remarkable career.

But Mantel, who died in 2022 at the age of 70, left behind a literary legacy that also includes a wide range of her right-handed writing. "A Memoir of My Former Self" gathers together the best of it. Spanning four decades, and comprising work that originally appeared in various outlets, this bravura collection of articles, essays, reviews and talks showcases the inquiring mind, fierce intelligence and shrewd way with words of a dexterous — and indeed, ambidextrous — prose stylist.

The book's first section is largely made up of Mantel's Guardian pieces. Often a short anecdote, incident or recollection serves as a springboard to a broader theme or wider discussion point. Spotting a book on school exams sends Mantel down memory lane, picturing her younger self as "a trembling voyager on a sea of black ink, living in a permanent state of dread" — a feeling she routinely experienced as a writer while waiting to learn if a novel had made the Booker Prize shortlist. A contestant's answer on a TV quiz show prompts a meditation on England's north-south divide. And a stray comment from Mantel's hairdresser triggers musings on a writer's need for interruptions — although not when she was at the end of a book: "I admit that, by that stage, if a person had come between me and the last page, I'd simply have cut his head off."

The second section consists of film reviews that Mantel wrote for the Spectator in the late 1980s. All bases are covered, from highbrow art house to big-budget blockbusters. If Mantel doesn't always display in-depth movie knowledge, she compensates for it with a steady stream of memorable phrasings, whether describing Glenn Close getting too close for comfort in "Fatal Attraction" ("Mr. Douglas looks like a hamster threatened by a tomahawk") or David Lynch's violent and lurid portrayal of 1950s America in "Wild at Heart": "This is a culture that bares its heart; and what is a heart but another piece of offal?"

Part three sees Mantel on firmer ground with a selection of longer, meatier essays from the New York Review of Books. She turns her critical gaze on Rebecca West's letters, Annie Proulx's fiction, V.S. Naipaul's travel writing and two biographies of her beloved Jane Austen. Equally stimulating are Mantel's five Reith Lectures, first broadcast on BBC radio in 2017, in which she expounds on the nuts and bolts of historical fiction, providing valuable insight into the way practitioners sift facts, shape narratives and carry out "the practical job of resurrection."

The book's title is a misnomer: Mantel's memoir of her former self is not this posthumous collection of essays but rather a book she published in her lifetime — "Giving Up the Ghost," from 2003. And yet many of the pieces here either highlight an aspect of



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from it. A couple of articles, including the prizewinning "Last Morning in Al Hamra," chronicle her years spent living in, and acclimatizing to, Saudi Arabia — a place she called "the Empire of Deletion, the world capital of crossing-out." "Every Part of My Body Hurts" is a brave and candid account of her losing battle against endometriosis. More uplifting and endlessly illuminating are Mantel's scattered gems on her career as a writer and the art of writing. "You have to keep shocking your psyche," she counsels, "or nothing happens in your writing nothing charged, nothing enduring."

her life or chart a self-contained episode

Whether engaging with RoboCop or the royal family, national identity or personal endeavor, Mantel impresses with her sharp wit, informed opinions and keen observations. Certain prose flourishes ("in the watches of last night," "creeping, like the flow of chrism from a jar") resemble those from the pages of the Wolf Hall novels. Other key lines read like lyrical maxims: "History, biography and novels in particular lend you experience that is not yet your own. They are an advance paid on life."

Mantel's sudden death renders one essay, "The Books I Will Never Write," all the more poignant. One book we will never read is "Provocation," the "Pride and Prejudice" spinoff she was at work on in her final days. However, we still have her glorious back catalogue, together with this parting shot, which hits the mark.

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### NONFICTION

# From bare-bones records, fleshing out her ancestors' lives



Becca

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What if ghosts return not to haunt or hector, but because they cannot bear to relinquish the common pleasures of daily life? In Tracy K. Smith's new book of interlinked essays, "To Free the Captives," she imagines

her dead parents returning as surprisingly no-nonsense specters. They have no grand messages to impart, no pressing prophesies to convey. Instead, they crave something smaller and, at the same time, maybe more exalted: They want to go on existing as they did before. The ghost of Smith's mother counsels her to buy a new car before her old one breaks down, while the ghost of her father directs her attention to small beauties: "a heron over a pond, or a woodpecker battering a tree.'

Smith, a Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and a professor of English and African and African American studies at Harvard, writes prose at once dazzling and exacting. On nearly every page of this book is a phrase or sentence to marvel over, a word (usually an adjective) so unexpectedly apt that it freshens familiar language. When Smith's father leaves his Alabama hometown for Detroit in 1953, there is "something in him that bucks with haphazard hope"; during the pandemic, Smith is awed by "the undeterred industry of birds, foxes, and squirrels" in her yard; and when her twin sons are born, she watches their "legs pedaling against the sudden air." "Sudden" is shocking, but richly and irreplaceably right.

"To Free the Captives" is so luscious that it often reads less like a collection of essays than like a work of prose poetry. Its six long sections and brief coda are not neatly contained narratives or discrete arguments, but threads in one continuous web of reminiscence and observation.

The book chronicles a fraught trip Smith took to Georgia, where she spent the night in a former plantation house that seemed cursed, and her first months of motherhood, which felt initially like an abduction ("I so desperately loved myself that I longed to have her back, wept sometimes thinking of where she had gone"). Smith writes about her first marriage, which shrunk her world, and her second marriage, which enlarged it. But the bulk of "To Free the Captives" is devoted to genealogical investigations.

Smith's parents hailed from the small, rural town of Sunflower, Ala., but once this fact is established, questions begin to outpace answers. When the poet begins to delve into her family's past, she often cannot find information about her relatives and resorts to more general searches. She knows that her grandfather enlisted in the Army during World War I, so she seeks out "images of Black soldiers from my grandfather's time" and reads about Black men who joined the Army because they were "hopeful that, in helping to defend democracy in Europe, they might prove their - our - loyalty to this nation." Were these her grandfather's motives? She discovers that she has 14 great-aunts and uncles on her father's side – but only eight of them are accounted for in the remaining records. "Who is missing? When were they born? To what did they succumb?" she wonders. At one point, census documents inform her that her grandfather "lived in two separate households in two separate counties at once, in one an unmarried son and in the other a newlywed husband." These confusions and outright contradictions compel her to abandon the cool deflections of the archive and evoke her forebears with novelistic vivacity. She never witnessed her father's youth, but she can picture him as an inquisitive child, cranking the wheels in his grandfather's blacksmith shop. The 1940 Census characterizes her father's brothers as "laborers working fortyhour weeks," but beneath this plain description looms a pair of lives about which Smith can only speculate. "Perhaps



they are needed at home on the farm," she muses. "Maybe the money they can bring in at jobs is essential to making ends meet in a large household. It's possible they leave school willingly, not keen on books."

Many of Smith's flights of fancy are attempts to imagine all that the historical record conceals – to endow skeletal statistics with flesh and blood – and her lively lyricism is an antidote to the slick obfuscations of bureaucratic language. Over and over, she pits the dead rhetoric of institutions against the vibrant hum of human speech. In the archives where she researches her father's origins, she discovers a letter from 1933, written by a man named Simon Tricksey to Alabama's governor. "I feel like I haven't been treated just fair and have such responsibilities on my self and several others with large families," Tricksey lamented, having lost his job. He wrote with irrepressible character, but the government's reply was evasive and impersonal. "We are working now to get more funds. You should talk over with the people in charge of the matter in your county your situation and I am sure they will give careful consideration to it," an indifferent administrator responded. How expertly, how officially, this note "manages to commit to nothing," as Smith writes. Later, in her parents' files, she finds a letter "indicating that my father owes the military a debt of \$1,030.63 for Overshipment of Household Goods." It, too, is written in "chilling governmentese syntax designed to tell you that no justification on your part, no private catastrophe, no emotional appeal, no anything will have bearing upon the government's determination to collect a debt you have allowed yourself to accrue."

But private catastrophes and emotional appeals are the point of "To Free the Captives," which functions as a rebuke to the racism inflicted by institutional insensibility. It is bureaucracy, with its stock of prevarications and excuses, that yields Smith's sense that she is "not Free but rather Freed, a guest in the places – we might just as easily call them institutions – where freedom is professed." These institutions are legion. They are the universities where Smith has taught and where she is eyed with suspicion when she tries to bring a visitor to the library; the laws in the Jim Crow South, where Smith's ancestors lived and labored; the government that passed the GI Bill, which failed to fulfill its promise to Black veterans like Smith's uncles. The best defense against these intangible institutions is the warm weight of the actual. When Smith was in Georgia, she attended a ring shout, a musical ritual originally practiced by enslaved people in America and the West Indies. There, she confronted "the complex conundrum of flesh and spirit." Here, too, the ghosts of the past were summoned, and here, too, they longed for the everyday ecstasy of embodiment. Nothing could be less like institutional abstractions; nothing could be more lavishly particular.

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TO FREE THE CAPTIVES A Plea for the **American Soul** By Tracy K. Smith Knopf. 265 pp. \$27

FROM TOP: Tracy K. Smith's Uncle Johnny and Aunt Mattie, 1950s. Smith writes about her efforts to discover her family's past through historical records.

# Time travel to mid-century Paris with these dazzling essays

### **by Joan Frank**

t's a truth not often-enough acknowledged that Mavis Gallant is a wonder of the literary world, even if many of that world's biggest names have declared her just that. John Updike, for instance, said that her "talent is as versatile and witty as it is somber and empathetic."

If you've not read her yet, it won't hurt to start with her nonfiction. And what luck: "Paris Notebooks," a superb collection of her essays, reviews and journal entries, has just been reissued. This new edition's brilliant foreword, by biographer and critic Hermione Lee, alone may justify the book's price.

Happily, no such justification is needed: Page after page, Gallant dazzles. Her voice and sensibility are penetrating, canny, graceful and incisive. Michael Dirda called her "one of the best short story writers alive." (Gallant died in 2014.) I'll testify that her nonfiction stands every bit as tall. Bound by that laseracute voice, these disparate pieces, many of which appeared in the New Yorker, now also function - perhaps unexpectedly - as a portal into history.

Gallant is "an impeccable transcriber of French life for North American readers," Lee

notes, comparing her skills to those of Edith Wharton and Janet Flanner. "She did this with the true fiction writer's combination of deep feeling and estrangement, and out of a lifelong compulsion to turn lived experience into memorable sentences."

Gallant was born in Montreal and in 1950 settled in Paris, where she spent the rest of her life; as the book title suggests, the city became her muse. The longest piece here recounts Gallant's on-the-scene diary of the events of May 1968, when rebelling students triggered similar uprisings by blue-collar workers and Paris became, for some time, a war zone. Bravely, Gallant walked right into street conflicts, kept all-night vigils, tracked radio reportage (newspapers grew scarce), talked with friends and strangers. By turns admiring and wry, Gallant is unsparing in her descriptions of the unrest: "You would think it was the siege of Leningrad and we were all eating rats. ... Everyone mad, afraid of something imaginarv.'

These crisp, grim, occasionally despairing reports - of strikes, demonstrations, burning cars, police violence, shortages and hoarding (cigarettes, gasoline, sugar), toxic rumors capture the hair-on-fire urgency of the time. What exactly was it, Gallant and friends



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wondered late in the ordeal, that anyone had really wanted? "Quelque chose de propre -Something decent," came the (much-quoted) reply.

The volume's second-longest piece focuses on the excruciatingly sad 1968 scandal of a young teacher, Gabrielle Russier, 31, who fell in love with a 16-year-old student. Russier was so pitilessly hounded by the (perversely prim, punitive) French court system and near-hysterical public rage, she finally took her own life. Gallant interweaves her densely detailed account with gimlet-eyed analysis: Despite female gains in France, "when you read the law and ... look closely at specific social situations, you discover that women never have the last word ... under a tradition ... called 'la latinité' — the Latin attitude toward men and women."

Collectively, "Paris Notebooks" enables a kind of time travel, with some near-shocking lessons in transience: The book could be subtitled "It Seemed Important at the Time." Those once-boggling évènements de mai 1968, for instance – then considered monumental - are now scarcely remembered. Gallant was mindful of this likely trajectory in her later introduction to that section: "Nothing was left but a confused collective memory, the stuff of kitsch."

Literary art is hardly excluded from this kind of leveling. In the roll call of Gallant's (fierce, droll) book reviews, certain names may still be recognized: Nabokov, Grass, de Beauvoir, Sartre, Malraux, Colette. Others -Paul Léautaud, Jean Giraudoux - will mean nothing to most. Yet one can't not feel vitalized on every page by Gallant's prose. "Analyzing Giraudoux is like plucking a hummingbird and sorting out the feathers for color and size," she writes of a biography by the distinguished playwright. "Yet I wish something had been done to make the book more appealing to readers who don't know much about Giraudoux and can't read French."

Gallant is a fierce guardian and proctor of the French language. She praises Marguerite Yourcenar ("Memoirs of Hadrian"): "In an age of slops, she writes the firm, accurate, expressive French that used to be expected in work taken seriously." Severe? Yes. Also fearless, bracing, lyrical. "Paris Notebooks" doesn't precisely scold: It clarifies, corrects, refreshes. Its music makes what was evanescent live again.

Joan Frank's latest books are "Late Work: A Literary Autobiography of Love, Loss, and What I Was Reading" and "Juniper Street: a Novel."

### BOOK WORLD

# Anna Biller wants to tell you a story

Her cult films are praised for their style. With her first novel, she's glad readers are paying attention to the substance.

BY SOPHIA NGUYEN IN NEW YORK

eminist filmmaker Anna Biller can't remember a time when she didn't know the story of Bluebeard, what she calls "the gender war fairy tale." It warned her: You won't grow up and marry a handsome prince. You'll grow up and marry a man who might try to murder you, just like he murdered all those other women. When she read about marriage throughout history, Biller said, "I was so terrified. Like, 'Do I have to have a husband?'"

Her new novel, "Bluebeard's Castle," recently published by Verso, tells the story of Judith, a lonely British novelist, who falls in love with Gavin, "the perfect amalgamation of the secretive Rochester, the passionate Heathcliff, and the intimidating Max de Winter." In a whirlwind, they marry, moving into a grand, decaying castle. There's a forest of "red flags," Judith acknowledges in her more lucid moments — a "crazy" ex shows up; an adored cat disappears; money problems recur — but she can't tear herself away. Gavin has a scary temper and an even scarier talent for saying exactly what she wants to hear.

"Bluebeard's Castle" originated as a screenplay. Biller, best-known for her 2016 supernatural horror-comedy, "The Love Witch," first thought she'd make a movie akin to her favorite "women-in-peril" pictures — Golden Age classics such as Alfred Hitchcock's "Shadow of a Doubt" or George Cukor's "Gaslight." She had gained a cult following and critical acclaim for her rich, fanatically detailed retro fantasies, and this next project would be especially ambitious: Picture mistshrouded sets, heavy fabrics, a woman fleeing by moonlight. She sought studio backing or an experienced producer, taking meeting after meeting. Nothing shook out. When she thought she was getting close, the pandemic shut everything down.

So Biller's partner, Robert Greene, "ordered" her to rewrite the screenplay as a novel, she says in the acknowledgments. Over Zoom, Greene, the best-selling author of "The 48 Laws of Power" and "The Art of Seduction," said mildly, "Well, I don't know if I'd quite use that verb." (He also clarified for the record that he's joking, obviously, when he says Gavin is based on him: "I'm not the kind of alpha-male, pick-a-woman-up-on-thebeach-and-carry-her kind.")

Freed from the constraints of shooting schedules and production budgets, Biller went on a describing spree: the brand of a character's swimsuit, the wallpaper's texture, the filling in the sandwiches served at tea. Like her movies, "Bluebeard's Castle" replicates the genre conventions of bygone eras - in this case, Gothic novels - and like her movies, it's all so over the top that you have to admire the commitment. But you also wait - and wait - for a wink, or some tell, that you're being invited into a joke. In a typical scene, Judith thinks to herself "Why me?," smashes a framed photo of her husband in a rage, then consults a textbook titled "Bad Men, and the Women Who Love Them." While Biller allows that "Bluebeard's Castle" is "an entertaining work of Gothic fiction," she describes it as "a psychological novel which covers all of the reasons women stay with abusers," she wrote on her blog. "While writing the novel, I went into some very dark places in my own psyche." Biller is in preproduction for a movie set in medieval England – a retelling of Yotsuya Kaidan, a Japanese ghost story about marriage, murder and revenge - and so we headed to the Met Cloisters one hot afternoon. After our struggle uphill through the surrounding park, its paths circular and confusing, the museum suddenly appeared at the summit like a mirage, air-conditioned and imperturbable. The building itself fusing chunks of historic abbeys from France, transported overseas and meticulously reconstructed in a corner of Manhattan seemed like a project after Biller's own heart: an extravagant testament to one guy's idiosyncratic obsession, the result both absurd and transporting.



popular, but it's popular with caveats. It's popular with the insistence that you're not doing serious work."

"That is a way of saying that I can't be a creator, because all I can do is copy a man's work. It's a deliberate patriarchal project to put me back to my place and to deny my claim of being an artist, of being able to create meaning," Biller said when we sat down for lunch, splitting a burger. Her hand slashed the air. "It's a knockdown, drag-out fight."

Biller, born and raised in Los Angeles by a painter father and fashion designer mother, came of age in an artistic culture that was male-dominated and casually chauvinist. Both in her childhood home, where her dad's friends would come by on weekends to paint models, and at UCLA, where she studied art, the dominant attitude was that women couldn't hack it as artists. "It's a real, persistent pain in my life," she said. "When do you move out of being muse and move into being creator?"

That pain deepened with the release of her first feature, "Viva," a satire of the 1960s and '70s sexual revolution that she wrote, directed and starred in, ripping many of the lines straight from Playboy advertising copy. It did well at festivals, Biller said, but "I didn't get any studio meetings after 'Viva.' No offers of agent representation. Nothing. But I got about 10 different men asking me to star in their porn movie." Her smile tightened. "And that was kind of funny at first, but then at some point it wasn't funny. It was actually vaguely disturbing."

vaguely disturbing." Biller hoped that novel-writing would leave less room for misunderstanding. When she was shopping around the "Bluebeard's Castle" script, "I was really hurt by how stupid people thought Judith was," Biller said. "And so what I wanted to do in this novel was explain her psychology, from her point of view." But in early reviews, she noticed a pattern — "the use of the word 'camp," she said. "I really don't know what they mean. I don't think femicide is campy. I don't think domestic abuse is campy." It seemed connected, though, to how her films had been received — these labels seemed to be a way of saying, "Don't worry, this art isn't taking itself seriously."

Perhaps she'd never live down making "Viva." "*That* movie was campy," she allowed. "But does that mean every movie that I make from now on, or every book that I write, is going to be labeled campy?" Though she was on the East Coast in part to attend a rare screening of that debut, she looked a little pained when I said I'd be there, too. "You're going to cancel the article," she said, only half-joking. "You're going to think, 'Everything they say about her is true.' You're going

"Wow, that's pretty special," she ex-

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claimed, seeing a bronze platter decorated with an image of a woman spanking her spouse, Punch-and-Judy style. "The wife dominates the husband," she noted. "That's what makes it comedy." Her voice, soft but excitable, bounced off the stone walls as she stopped to admire a stone demon hassling Saint Anthony the Abbot, or to point out the markers of 14th-century garb: the tiny details she needed to emulate to convey the period's "weirdness and beauty." Preproduction on Biller's movies has sometimes stretched on for years, as she sewed all the costumes, or hooked a pentagram rug for a character's apartment, or lugged back a flowered couch from the outskirts of Long Beach. Her work makes you electrically conscious that she has designed every inch of what you're seeing.

That devotion to craft is a double-edged sword. Biller's aesthetic draws viewers to her work, but then their attention scatters. Often, people get so absorbed in a film's production design that they don't even register its content – the story, the characters, the ideas, the core emotions. In, say, the tearoom scene in "The Love Witch," you can get so lost in the aesthetics - the heroine's precise blue eye shadow; everyone's giant, period-perfect hats – that you may not clock the characters' debate about princess fantasies. Her films have many admirers among cinephiles, but the terms of their admiration rankles, especially when they call it "pastiche" or an homage to B-movie directors like Jesús Franco and Russ Meyer. "It's bittersweet," she told an interviewer in 2017, "to have a movie be so to call your editor and say, 'I'm sorry.'"

The show was sold out, packed with fans who'd brought DVD cases to wave in the air. Biller did not sit among them. "Viva" was a fun movie, she said, but she couldn't watch herself anymore or listen to others react. She had dinner while it played, and then went onstage for the Q&A. Toward the end, the screening's curator asked Biller what differences she'd noticed between directing a movie and writing a novel.

"Well — you can say what it means," Biller answered.

"You're in your head more," offered the curator.

"You can actually *tell the reader* what your book means," she persisted. "You can't do that in a movie. Everybody's misinterpreting everything for, like, years." Serious film critics would watch "The Love Witch" and call it — even praise it as — pastiche, as form somehow empty of content. It's about a woman's life, Biller wanted to tell them.

So it was weird, she continued, to scroll through the early Goodreads reviews and feel seen — even by the negative ones. "Even if they hate it, it's like, 'Wow, they're talking about the story.' They understand that there's a story. They acknowledge that there's a story. They gave me credit for writing a story! That's so amazing." She heaved a theatrical sigh. "After all these years."

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Anna Biller is known for her movies, including "Viva" and "The Love Witch." Her debut novel is "Bluebeard's Castle."

# A milestone fueled by 'wine and Cheetos'

### **BY RON CHARLES**

J anet Evanovich has reached an extraordinary milestone: On Tuesday – Halloween – she published the 30th novel in her best-selling Stephanie Plum series. As with each installment, it's full of tricks and treats.

Readers first met the funny New Jersey bounty hunter in "One for the Money" back in 1994. It was love at first sight.

Love, in fact, was baked right in. Before reinventing herself as a writer of comic mysteries, Evanovich wrote romance novels — and she's still grateful for the experience. "Romance taught me a lot about business, about being a writer," she says from her home in Chapel Hill, N.C. "There's this wonderful fellowship of women who write romance... Because back then publishers didn't do really anything to get your book out there, we had to do it all ourselves. We had to learn how to be business people. We had to learn how to do our own publicity. We had to learn about marketing. We had to learn about sales and how to schmooze sales reps."

Evanovich's humor makes her a genius marketer. Some of her book-signings, she says, used to draw 3,000 people, "which is very good for your ego, but actually doesn't make a good experience for the consumer."

Now, at 80 years old, after scores of bestsellers and hundreds of millions of copies in print, she still loves meeting readers. On a recent Sunday, she greeted fans and signed early copies of "Dirty Thirty" at Books-A-Million in Mays Landing, N.J.

"I have no life," she says. "I'm a very boring person" — not true — "so I just sit at home all day and write books and create my own worlds. It turns out that if you stop giving your publisher books, they stop giving you money. It's so unfair."

Racing through "Dirty Thirty," I'm astonished that this story about a jewelry heist is just as fresh and zany as the Plum novels I read years ago. How does she do it? "It takes a lot of wine and Cheetos," she says. "Without that, I'm nothing."

With so many plots in play, continuity is a



Janet Evanovich

challenge. "I can't remember a single thing about all of the books that I've written," she says. "The fans know everything." (Indeed, The Washington Post's first review of Evanovich earned a stern correction from a reader who knew her oeuvre backward and forward.) But Evanovich admits that she makes mistakes, too. Stephanie's sometimesboyfriend, Joe Morelli, "originally had a scar over one eye, and two books later, it switched to the other side."

If Evanovich harbors any disappointments, it's that none of her books has been banned yet. "I'm like, *Is anybody reading this?*"

But while the Stephanie Plum novels have escaped the flames, Evanovich has still felt the heat of hypersensitivity. A few years ago, her publisher decided it was no longer appropriate to call Stephanie's friend Lula a "ho."

So, the novelist and her daughter sat down and devised more palatable job descriptions for the former sex worker. Their choices ranged from "pleasure specialist" to "erectile engineer" to "organ grinder."

"But then after a couple of books," Evanovich says, "they decided that Lula could be a 'ho' again, which was, you know, sort of anticlimactic." All puns intended.

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### NONFICTION

# The long search for an enslaved novelist

### BY TOPE FOLARIN

robably the most significant moment in my literary life - indeed, one of the most significant moments in my life - is the time my first-grade teacher introduced me to the poet Phillis Wheatley. I was living in Bountiful, Utah, and I was an inveterate reader. I had never read a book by a Black person before; though no one had ever told me as much, I had come to believe that Black people simply didn't produce literature. There was certainly nothing in my environment to disabuse me of this notion — apart from my Nigerian immigrant parents, I was surrounded by Whiteness. I can still remember the surge of emotion I felt as my teacher described how Wheatley had been born in slavery in the 18th century and somehow managed to learn to read, and then, eventually, wrote poetry about her life that was admired by the leading artists and statesmen of her day, including George Washington.

In the years following Wheatley's literary triumphs, a few other African American women wrote books that chronicled their lives and struggles, including Harriet Wilson (whose "Our Nig" was published in 1859) and Harriet Jacobs (whose "Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl" was published in 1861). Gregg Hecimovich's latest book, "The Life and Times of Hannah Crafts: The True Story of The Bondwoman's Narrative," is the riveting story of Crafts, a Black woman who wrote a novel based on her life in the same era as Wilson and Jacobs, and the circuitous path her novel took to publication, long after her death. It is also an engrossing account of Hecimovich's efforts to verify Crafts's authorship of her novel and the startling details he uncovers along the way. Hecimovich's book begins with an introduction by the professor and literary scholar Henry Louis Gates Jr., who played an essential role in the publication of Crafts's novel. In 2001, Gates - who also rediscovered "Our Nig" in 1982 - purchased an unheralded novel of unknown authorship at an auction for \$8,500. Over the next several months Gates conducted extensive research to determine its provenance and verified that the novel was authentic and had probably been written by a Black person before 1860, though its authorship remained a mystery. Gates edited and wrote an introduction to the novel, titled "The Bondwoman's Narrative," which was published to wide acclaim and robust sales in 2002. In 2013, Hecimovich, then a professor at Winthrop University, announced that he had determined that the author of "The Bondwoman's Narrative" was a woman named Hannah Bond, and "Hannah Crafts" was her





settles into his attic. "Two days later," Hecimovich writes, "she removed a manuscript from her valise. Her sweat mixed with ink as she returned her attention to her work."

Hecimovich's book is filled to the brim with similarly vivid scenes and anecdotes about Craft's drive to document her story, and his tireless efforts to discover Craft's identity and reconstruct her trajectory. He also explains how Crafts learned to read, introduces us to five enslaved women whose stories she incorporated into her book and demonstrates how Craft was inspired by the popular literature of her day. The resulting story is an inspired amalgam of genres –

Narrative By Gregg Hecimovich Ecco.

A woman stands near a row of houses for enslaved people, date unknown. Gregg Hecimovich's book tells how he verified the authorship of "The

Bondwoman's Narrative."

pen name (she later adopted the name as her own). Hecimovich spent the following decade meticulously researching Crafts's life and how she came to write the novel that would earn her posthumous recognition.

Hecimovich, now at Furman University, draws readers close with often riveting passages. He introduces us to Crafts in a dramatic and breathtaking scene - Crafts,

dressed as a man, is on the run from bounty hunters who have been hired by her enslaver, John Hill Wheeler. She reaches a stop on the Underground Railroad on the grounds of New York Central College, but soon after she arrives, she is informed that the bounty hunters are closing in on her. She is taken to a farm owned by a Quaker named Horace Craft - she would later take his last name - and

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part thriller, part mystery and part biography. What emerges is a tale of a woman who was determined to be the protagonist of her story, regardless of what her society had in store for her.

"The Life and Times of Hannah Craft" is, in the end, a tale about overcoming insurmountable odds. As Hecimovich demonstrates, Craft surmounted tremendous barriers to write her novel, and her manuscript somehow survived into the 21st century. Hecimovich himself routinely overcomes difficult circumstances in his quest to tell her story. We live in our own treacherous moment for literature, as powerful ideologues target books that don't align with their personal values, but books like Hecimovich's are a vital resource for readers who wish to engage with themselves and the wider world.

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# Behind the CIA, daring housewives and clever coffee fetchers

### **BY DENISE KIERNAN**

t should come as no surprise that women have been integral to the Central Intelligence Agency since its inception, and still are. It is almost not worth mentioning that, whether they worked as spies, couriers, girl Fridays or other keepers of secrets, these women helped make the clandestine agency not only tick, but hum. Almost not worth mentioning.

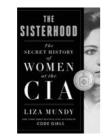
Except that it is.

Writer Liza Mundy recognizes how rescuing stories from the past can illuminate bias and abuse, and she does so in her latest book, "The Sisterhood: The Secret History of Women at the CIA." It's somewhat familiar territory for Mundy, who took a similar tack in her previous book "Code Girls," about the female code breakers of World War II.

"The Sisterhood" picks up where World War II left off, from the ashes of destruction and victory into the cauldron of the Cold War. Women who had worked in every corner of the war effort - from the Manhattan Project to the Women's Army Corps - were expected to return to societal roles that had long been designated to them. Yet even before the Office of Strategic Services became the CIA, a third of its employees were women.

Repairing the historical record is a challenging undertaking decades after the deeds are done, perhaps more so when the history itself is shrouded in secrecy. To accomplish her aims, Mundy employs historical research and documentation along with the present-day recollections of individuals who were - or still are - involved with the agency.

Many of these women's experiences seem sadly par for the course – almost blasé. As



THE SISTERHOOD The Secret **History of** Women at the CIA By Liza Mundy Crown. 480 pp. \$32.50

Jeanne Vertefeuille started her CIA career as a typist in 1954. In the 1980s and '90s, she led a mostly female team of CIA officers who unmasked **Aldrich Ames** as a mole.



Mundy tells it, in the early days of the agency, they were relegated to typing, fetching coffee, taking dictation, all the while enduring belittling commentary and sexual harassment ranging from micro aggressions to macro offenses. Some were willing to work unpaid to perform a job at which they knew they could

excel, one they wanted or felt called to do.

Ironically, the agency's and society's tendency to devalue these women and their abilities made them blend into the woodwork, unseen, and thus they became far more effective and influential, as they often used the obstacles placed in their path to their advantage. Women asked to create filing systems, for example, had access to and eyes on everything. Women taking dictation heard all. A "housewife" was not merely a societal or familial designation, it was, in many cases, the ultimate cover.

The underlying power of this narrative lies in juxtaposition: We witness contributions downplayed and overlooked, while comprehending their vital value to the agency. This was not simply an affront to the women; in some scenarios it proved a threat to national security.

"The Sisterhood" covers a lot of ground, from the origins of the OSS to the hunt for Osama bin Laden, to the appointment of Gina Haspel as the CIA's first female director in 2018 and beyond. The women - and men vary in background, race and likability. Not every woman is a supportive ally, not every man a demeaning ogre. Along the way there are a lot of firsts and plenty of names and places to keep track of. For some readers, the earlier history may be more compelling, if only because the hurdles to be surmounted were so high, and the tenacity of those who cleared them feels that much more inspiring.

Still, "The Sisterhood" offers a different and valuable inside look at an agency that has long fascinated American culture. Women's roles today have expanded, yet many of the same challenges remain for those devalued because of their gender, race, sexual identity and more. The more we commit to sharing these stories, the more courage we will have to recognize who is being overlooked.

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# What happened to the American Dream?

### BY NICK ROMEO

n the flush years of the mid-20th century, an executive at a major American car company approached his board of directors with an unexpected proposal: to cap his own pay at \$225,000, the equivalent of about \$2 million today. This was already roughly 40 times what a typical American household made in the late 1950s. He argued that executives who were compensated too lavishly risked becoming distracted by "the temptations of success."

The board agreed. As the company prospered in the early 1960s, he even refused the performance bonuses in his original contract, declining \$268,000 over five years. The executive, George Romney, was the father of future presidential candidate and senator Mitt Romney.

Just a few decades later, Mitt also worked as

The Story of the American Dream Ours Was the Shining Future David Leonhardt

OURS WAS THE SHINING FUTURE The Story of the American Dream By David

Leonhardt Random House. 492 pp. \$32 champions a progressivism that is "more inclusive of people who are not white-collar professionals." Borrowing a useful phrase from the economist Thomas Piketty, he argues that the "Brahmin left" must stop demonizing workingclass people who do not share its views on cultural issues such as abortion, immigration, affirmative action and patriotism. A less selfrighteous and more tolerant left could build what successfully increased access to the American Dream in the past: a broad grassroots movement focused on core economic issues such as strengthening unions, improving wages and working conditions, raising corporate taxes, and decreasing corporate concentration.

Some of the most fascinating material in the book endorses a more nuanced interpretation of America's political realignment in the 1960s. The standard view is that the Democrats, by opposing segregation, lost millions of racist White voters to the Republican Party. Leonhardt argues that this captures only part of the truth. Another significant factor was the failure of Democrats to address issues such as crime. Rates of murder, assault and robbery all surged between 1960 and 1980, but some liberal publications and politicians refused to take the issue seriously. The Nation even used quotation marks to parade its skepticism, as if the crime wave were simply a fabrication of the political right. This was part of a broader shift. While progressives in the 1930s and 1940s had concentrated more on material issues such as wages, retirement and unions, by the 1960s influential sections of the left began to focus "more on the psychic concerns of people fortunate enough to take material comfort for granted." By 1970, political analysts Ben Wattenberg and Richard Scammon were arguing in "The Real Majority" that Democrats mistakenly believed that the typical voter was a 24-year-old political science instructor at Yale University. President Richard Nixon encouraged his aides to read their book. Not all Democrats labored under this delusion. Robert Kennedy sought to create a working-class coalition across racial lines. A strong supporter of civil rights, he knew that some demagogues used the fear of crime to inflame racial tensions. He also understood that crime was a real issue, and for Democrats to ignore it would fatally undermine their credibility. Martin Luther King Jr. also recognized the value of broad, multiracial coalitions. Discussing the needs of Black Americans in 1961, he said, "Our needs are identical with labor's needs: decent wages, fair working conditions, livable housing, old-age security, health and welfare measures, conditions in which families can grow, have education for their children and respect in the community." Leonhardt's delineation of this historical template for a genuinely inclusive progressive movement is a valuable contribution with striking contemporary relevance.

His examination of the politics and economics of immigration is also fascinating. He traces the often forgotten history of progressives who opposed unrestricted immigration because it increases the supply of labor, thus lowering wages. From labor leader Samuel Gompers to civil rights leaders Booker T. Washington, Frederick Douglass, A. Philip Randolph and Rep. Barbara Jordan, an illustrious line of progressives has recognized that unlimited immigration can harm workers. Leonhardt makes a persuasive case that Democrats must move beyond an immigration policy that essentially Washington Post Paperback Bestsellers COURTESY OF THE AMERICAN BOOKSELLERS ASSOCIATION

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an executive, at the consulting firm Bain & Co. and a spinoff private-equity firm. His earnings were significantly higher than his father's: His net worth is now estimated at roughly \$250 million. This striking father-son contrast reflects deep shifts in corporate culture and the American economy. In the 1950s, the top marginal tax rate was more than 90 percent. When Ronald Reagan left office in 1989, it was 28 percent. Unionization rates of American workers plunged from more than 30 percent in the 1960s to barely more than 10 percent today. For everyone not in the top 2 percent of the income distribution, the years from World War II until 1980 produced faster income growth than the decades since. Only for the very rich is the opposite true.

What happened, and how might the best elements of that earlier culture be restored?

Journalist David Leonhardt's ambitious first book, "Ours Was the Shining Future: The Story of the American Dream," seeks to answer these vital questions. It's a chronicle of almost a century of American economic life, rich with historical details and resonant narratives. It also makes a subtle but pointed argument about the present, offering a diagnosis of our current maladies and suggestions about the shape solutions could take.

His central contention is that the American left has largely abandoned fighting for basic economic improvement for the working class. Some of the defining progressive triumphs of the 20th century, from labor victories by unions under Franklin Roosevelt to the Great Society programs of Lyndon B. Johnson, required vast popular mobilizations to succeed. Leonhardt, a writer for the New York Times, maintains "more is better, and less is racist."

Despite its overall strength, the book has some odd omissions and unexamined assumptions. Given Leonhardt's support for what he calls "democratic capitalism," it's strange that he never explores the model of worker-owned cooperatives, which exist around the world and can be profoundly democratic, sharing both profits and decision-making power with workers at all levels in a business.

A deeper issue is the assumption that economic growth can somehow float free of ecological constraints. It sounds reasonable enough to identify the American Dream with the idea that each successive generation of Americans will earn more than their parents. But it's quite unlikely that income and material consumption can rise indefinitely for future generations of Americans, and extending this same standard across the globe quickly collides with ecological reality. One recent study estimated that it would take five Earths to sustain the global human population if everyone had the consumption habits of Americans. Some people need and deserve to increase their material footprints; others should almost certainly do the opposite. Barring the discovery of truly miraculous sources of clean energy - and unlimited supplies of the minerals and materials used to manufacture the stuff we consume - an environmentally sustainable American Dream in this and future centuries may need to look quite different from the ways it has until now.

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### LITERARY CALENDAR

### Nov. 5 - 11

### 5 SUNDAY | 3 P.M. Jeremy Scheck discusses

"ScheckEats — Cooking Smarter: Friendly Recipes With a Side of Science" at Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

**5 P.M.** *Cliff Sloan* discusses "The Court at War: FDR, His Justices, and the World They Made" with *Paul Sparrow*, streamed through Lewes Library at *lewes.lib.de.us*.

**5 P.M.** *Armand Lione* discusses "Native American History of Washington, DC" at Politics and Prose.

6 MONDAY | 10:30 A.M. *Renée Watson* discusses "Ways to Build Dreams" at Politics and Prose.

**6 P.M.** *Ann Marie Stephens, Sue Fliess, Van G. Garrett* and *Malcolm Newsome* present their works for the Children's Book Week Panel, streamed through Scrawl Bookstore at *scrawlbooks.com*.

**6:30 P.M.** *Helen Shiller* discusses "Daring to Struggle, Daring to Win: Five Decades of Resistance in Chicago's Uptown Community" with *Clarence Page* at Sankofa Video, Books & Cafe, 2714 Georgia Ave. NW. 202-234-4755. \$27.

7 P.M. *Alice McDermott* discusses "Absolution" with *Jacki Lyden* at Politics and Prose.

7 TUESDAY | 5 P.M. Alan Lightman discusses "The Transcendent Brain: Spirituality in the Age of Science" with Fred and Linda Dylla, streamed through Lewes Library.

**7 P.M.** *Michael J. Feuer* discusses "Can Schools Save Democracy?: Civic Education and the Common Good" with *Valerie Strauss* at Politics and Prose.

8 P.M. *Paul Auster* discusses "Baumgartner" with *Rachel DeWoskin*, streamed through Politics and Prose Live at *politics-prose.com/events*.

8 WEDNESDAY | 6:45 P.M. Lynn Ames discusses "Out at the Plate: The Dot Wilkinson Story," streamed through Smithsonian Associates at *smithsonianassociates.org.* \$20-\$25.

7 P.M. *Eric Smith* discusses "With or Without You" with *Amanda Quain* at One More Page Books, 2200 N. Westmoreland St., Arlington. 703-300-9746.

**7 P.M.** *Shibani Mahtani* and *Timothy McLaughlin* discuss "Among the Braves: Hope, Struggle, and Exile in the Battle for Hong Kong and the Future of Global Democracy" with *Ishaan Tharoor* at Politics and Prose.

9 THURSDAY | 6:45 P.M. Mark K. Updegrove discusses

"Incomparable Grace: JFK in the Presidency," streamed through Smithsonian Associates. \$20-\$25.

7 P.M. *Jodi Meadows* discusses "Dawnbreaker" at One More Page Books.

**7 P.M.** *Phillipe Sands* discusses "The Last Colony: A Tale of Exile, Justice, and Courage" at Politics and Prose.

**10 FRIDAY | 7 P.M.** *Naomi Alderman* discusses "The Future" with *Kara Swisher* at Politics and Prose.

**11 SATURDAY** | **11 A.M.** *Patricia Tanumijardja* presents "The Sugar Plum Bakers" at Bards Alley, 110 Church St. NW, Vienna. 571-459-2653.

**1 P.M.** *Madeleine Blais* discusses "Queen of the Court: The Many Lives of Tennis Legend Alice Marble" with *David Maraniss* at Politics and Prose.

**3 P.M.** *Stacey Schiff* discusses "The Revolutionary: Samuel Adams" with *Bob Thompson* at Politics and Prose.

**5 P.M.** *Emily Wilson* discusses her translation of "The lliad" at Politics and Prose.

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- 1 KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON (Vintage, \$18). David Grann. A look at the FBI's investigation of Native American deaths in 1920s Oklahoma.
- 2 BRAIDING SWEETGRASS (Milkweed, \$20). By Robin Wall Kimmerer. Essays by an Indigenous scientist offer lessons in reciprocal awareness between people and plants.
- 3 THE BODY KEEPS THE SCORE (Penguin, \$19). By Bessel van der Kolk. A scientific look at how trauma can reshape a person's body and brain.
- 4 ALL ABOUT LOVE (Morrow, \$16.99). By bell hooks. The first volume in the iconic feminist's "Love Song to the Nation" trilogy considers compassion as a form of love.
- 5 **CRYING IN H MART** (Vintage, \$17). By Michelle Zauner. A Korean American indie rockstar chronicles her relationship with her mother and their shared culture.
- 6 AN IMMENSE WORLD (Random House, \$20). By Ed Yong. A science writer describes different ways sensory perception can be experienced in animals, including humans.
- 7 THE SONG OF THE CELL (Scribner, \$21). By Siddhartha Mukherjee. The Pulitzer Prize-winning doctor and researcher explains what the understanding of cells means to the past, the present and possibly the future.
- 8 THE 2024 OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC (Old Farmer's Almanac, \$9.95). The classic reference guide forecasts culture, weather and trends.
- 9 WHERE THE DEER AND THE ANTELOPE PLAY (Dutton, \$18). By Nick Offerman. The actor and humorist reflects on his experiences in nature.
- **10 SOLITO** (Hogarth, \$18). By Javier Zamora. A poet who fled El Salvador when he was 9 tells the story of his migration to the United States.

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poster for the Senate bid of Minnesota Gov. Floyd B. Olson emphasizes the economic issues that he and other liberals championed at mid-century.

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## Curtis Chin's memoir puts everything on the table



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#### CHIN FROM B1

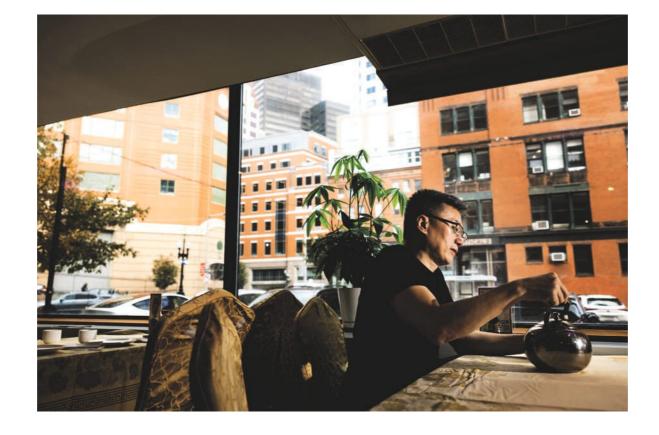
We met for dim sum at Hei La Moon in Boston's Chinatown, a palatial two-floor restaurant that, despite its majestic sprawl, feels as cozy as Chung's did when Chin was growing up, he said. (Chin lives in Los Angeles; he was in Boston as part of a tour to promote his memoir.) Fluorescent geometric accents speckled the walls around us, lantern-shaped golden chandeliers hung from the ceiling, soothing Cantopop purred over the speakers. At lunchtime on a Monday, the restaurant was full, humming with chatter and punctuated by occasional hoots from a table of rowdy diners.

"The Kikkoman soy sauce bottle on the table, the chopsticks, the teacup, the Chinese dividers, all of it's the same as Chung's," said Chin, who sipped chrysanthemum tea and ordered us a staple in his dim sum diet: chicken pan-fried noodles. "I'm very superstitious," he said, explaining that he always orders noodles, which symbolize good luck and long life. (Indeed, he's on the older side for a first-time book author. "I've had a long journey as a writer," he said.)

That journey has included stints writing for television, publishing essays in outlets like Bon Appétit and making social-justice documentaries. In 1991, Chin co-founded the Asian American Writers' Workshop (AAWW) with three other writers in New York. The group's goals are to build camaraderie among Asian American writers through regular community readings and other programming, to nurture its participants' craft through fellowships and writing workshops, and to disseminate their work through a digital magazine. Although Chin and his co-founders have all stepped off the board, leaving the AAWW to a new crop of leaders, the organization is the largest it's been since its founding more than three decades ago.

Growing up, Chin thought he would work at Chung's full time one day. "I thought that was gonna be my life: I would inherit the restaurant just like my dad, who inherited it from his dad, who inherited it from his dad," he said, tearing into a glossy, sesame-dusted baked cha siu bao.

He caught the writing bug as a teenager. In 1982, after the racially motivated killing of a family friend, Chin, then 14, was stirred by the lack of news coverage of the event — and of Asian Americans broadly. He began punching out letters to the editors of local papers on his family's typewriter and getting involved with the local Republican Party, which he saw as an avenue for making his voice heard. Eventually, spurred by the Republican response to the AIDS crisis, apartheid and abortion rights issues that came to a head for Chin when he participated in Michigan Boys State, a high school summer program for aspiring politicians — he moved away from the party.



Chin's refreshing honesty sets him apart from many memoirists: He's unafraid to reveal the less glamorous or more shameful parts of his life — like his childhood resentment toward his truculent grandmother, Ngin-Ngin, even after she suffered a major stroke. A few moments he shares could even be worthy of cancellation by today's standards, as when a teenage Chin intentionally misgendered a transgender woman after she made a racist comment about his family serving dog meat at Chung's. Chin also illustrates his sexual frustration and experiences in detail, like a clandestine moment with a gay customer in the bathroom of his family's restaurant.

"Having to write a memoir pulls you back and forces you to open wounds you thought you've moved on from," Chin said. "I felt like I needed to be honest about things where I was the good guy and when I was the bad guy, because nobody's perfect, right?"

Chin brings this sincerity into his work with the AAWW. One of his co-founders, the novelist Christina Chiu, said she noticed Chin's "generosity and openness" from the start, when he first brought the group together. "With Curtis, everything is about cooperation: There was really no backstabbing or competition," Chiu said.

Part of the organization's mission is to build community among Asian American writers, but Chin doesn't do that with rose-colored



EVERYTHING I LEARNED, I LEARNED IN A CHINESE RESTAURANT A Memoir By Curtis Chin Little, Brown. 291 pp. \$30

FROM TOP: Curtis Chin in Boston's Chinatown neighborhood, and pouring tea at Hei La Moon. glasses. Threading through his memoir is his uncertainty around what it means to be an ally, both to other queer people and to other people of color. At one point, he recalls himself and an Indian American friend at his university's students-of-color orientation feeling unsure of how to respond when their Black peers mentioned being called a racist slur.

"You can't jump up and be just as mad, because then people will look at you like, 'You're trying to take our space,' and 'Your outrage will never be as much as my outrage,'" he said. "And I don't want it to be performative in that sense. I wanted to be supportive of the Black students who were facing this discrimination, but I didn't want to overstep my bounds."

Dynamics between Black and Asian people — sometimes friendly and other times fraught — also characterized his youth in Detroit, where Chin quickly recognized that he didn't fit into the Black-White binary framing race relations. In the book, he recalls his family's "unspoken kinship" with their Black neighbors in the majority-White suburb of Troy, where the family moved when he was in elementary school.

But Chin also describes a Black co-worker who doubted his belonging in Detroit and spurned his efforts to forge solidarity between them. It prompted Chin to recognize that cross-racial solidarity is not always easy and to acknowledge his advantages in relation to working-class Black people in the city. It is a realization that sticks even today, with contemporary issues such as affirmative action and policing appearing to foment Black-Asian tensions.

Chin grappled with his identity as a gay man, too, and he details in his book how lost he felt compared with other students who proudly came out in college. He chose to wait to come out to his parents until he turned 26, partly because he wanted to first find a partner worthy of introducing to them, he said.

Chin ends the memoir at a point in time before he came out to his parents. "I came out to the most important person, which is myself," he told me. "The book is really about equipping myself with all the tools necessary to live my life. And once I accepted that I was gay, that gave me the freedom to do it."

He's built a strong community of supporters among his AAWW co-founders. In the '90s, as they steered the organization forward and critiqued one another's work, they also frequently bonded over Chin's favorite activity: having a meal at a Chinese restaurant. They still occasionally do.

"Anytime he's in town, we're always there for the seven-dollar pork chops" at Taiwan Pork Chop House in New York's Chinatown, co-founder Marie Myung-Ok Lee said. Chiu, Chin's other co-founder, noted that Chin's culinary tastes span well beyond Chinese cuisine: She recalled his penchant for fried tofu burgers and noted that the AAWW itself was born out of a meeting at a Greek diner.

That love of food — and a lifelong fondness for sharing it with others — underpins every aspect of Chin's life, down to his work ethic. When he was growing up, Chung's stayed open every day of the year except Thanksgiving, he said. That mind-set of always being on the clock has stayed with him. He joked that he has no work-life balance as a writer: "If you enjoy what you're doing, do you really need to take a break from it?"

In a parallel universe, where Chin had never become a writer and had instead taken over Chung's, he would still probably work too much, he admitted. He might even consolidate his home and workplace into a single space, he said, a sort of middle-class reincarnation of the blue-collar Cantonese immigrants who shaped America's first Chinatowns.

"If I had a dream, it would be to live above a Chinese restaurant," Chin said, effortlessly balancing a rotund pork siu mai nest between two slender chopsticks and gesturing at the lunchtime bustle around us. "I could eat Chinese food all day."

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"Having to write a memoir pulls you back and forces you to open wounds you thought you've moved on from."

Curtis Chin, writer, filmmaker and activist

## BOOK WORLD

Book Tour is a new series in which notable people show us their personal libraries.

t was not possible to arrive alone in this city after dark on a quiet night in summer, knowing that I was there to meet Stephen King, and not feel a little creeped out. Or a lot. But the fear-dispelling sunshine the next day was followed by a very genial King greeting me in the downstairs library of his former home, which is now the Stephen & Tabitha King Foundation. (The nonprofit foundation awards grants for projects that address the causes and consequences of "social and environmental problems" in Maine communities. I met with King before the Oct. 25 mass shootings in Lewiston, Maine, which spurred King to speak out in multiple public forums against our culture of gun violence.)

"The house has been here since 1845; we've been here since 1976," he said. "But we don't really live here anymore, and it's kind of a time capsule. The important thing to know about this whole room is that this used to be where the kids hung out when they were teenagers, and all their friends. They would play video games down here."

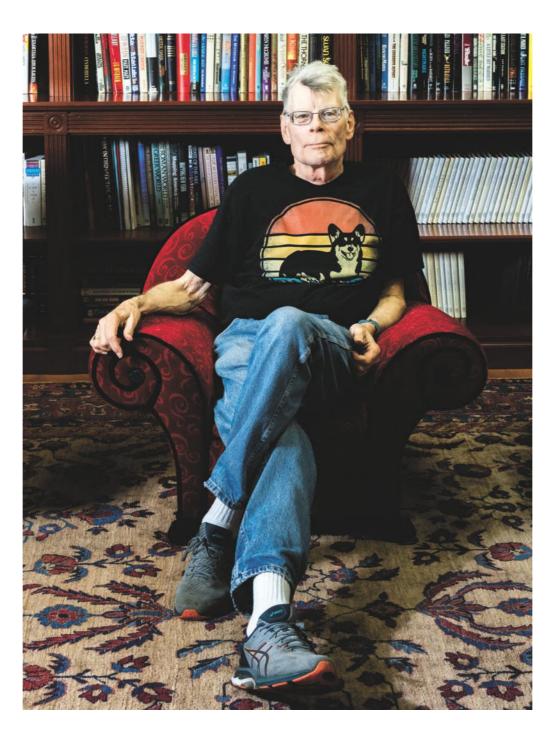
The long room is lined on each side with books very neatly arranged: fiction along one wall, alphabetical by author, and nonfiction on the other, grouped by subject. Several people stood nearby as King, 76, browsed the library with me — members of his publishing team, local friends, foundation administrators. His relationships with everyone there were long-term, and those gathered felt far less like a retinue than a warm family reunited.



Several volumes of H.P. Lovecraft's letters, published by Arkham House, are part of King's personal library in Bangor, Maine.

## WEIRD FICTION

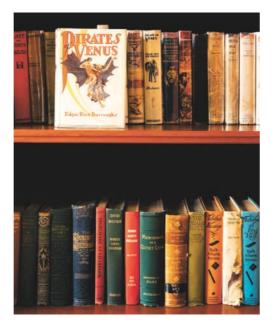
Several shelves are taken up with themed series of books, many of them gifts to King from his wife of more than 50 years, Tabitha, whose own collection lives here, too. More than once while we talked, King paused to say, "I wish Tabby was here." One such gift was a collection issued by Arkham House, a Wisconsin-based publisher of "weird fiction" founded in 1939, whose books meant a lot to King as a young reader. "I grew up with these people," he said. "They were all published in the pulps back in the day. A lot of them published at a penny a word or something like that, so they ground them out, and there's a wide range. The originals were a [run of a] thousand copies or something, it wasn't much. So these are reprints." "A Thousand Years a Minute,' by Carl H. Claudy,' King said, intoning the book's title with purposeful kidlike wonder. "1933. It's about going back into the past and fighting dinosaurs and that kind of thing. The 'Jurassic Park' of its day." "Pleasant Dreams," a collection of short stories by the horror and fantasy writer Robert Bloch (1917-1994), reminded King of a long conversation he once had with the writer at a convention. "It was probably about 1982, so I'd done 'Carrie' and 'Salem's Lot' and some of the other ones, but not a lot," he said. Bloch told him: "You've got a big future ahead of you; don't let the publishers eat you up." Richard Matheson, author of "I Am Legend" and much else, gave King an even more specific piece of advice, after King sent him a copy of "Salem's Lot." "He used to type on these little notepapers, and he sent me a letter back on one of those," King said. "He thanked me for the book, and then at the bottom he said, 'I'm gonna tell you the most important thing that I know about writing.' And I thought, Oh my God, I'm really gonna get something here. And I turned it over and it said: 'Get a music stand.' Then you don't have to turn your head back and forth to the page, because it was in the days when you typed things." Did he take the advice and get one? "No, I never did. And I never had neck problems either."

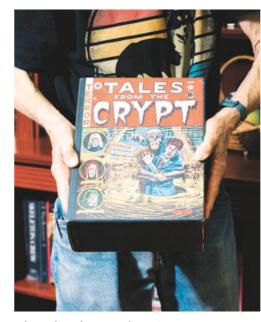


**BOOK TOUR** 

At home with Stephen King

BY JOHN WILLIAMS IN BANGOR, MAINE | PHOTOGRAPHS BY TRISTAN SPINSKI







A section of works by King and his family members, including his wife, Tabitha.

### THE FAMILY TREE

Two full sets of vertical shelves are filled with King's own books and those of his family — Tabitha and the couple's two sons, Owen and Joe (who writes as Joe Hill), have each published several novels. King's daughter, Naomi, is a minister. When asked to survey those King-centric shelves, the author immediately began pointing out the work of his family members. "Joe's books are here, Tab's books up there," he noted. "Where's Owen's stuff? Here's his book 'The Curator.' 'Save Yourself,' that's Kelly's book. Kelly [Braffet] is Owen's wife; she's terrific."

Despite the great number of his own books on the shelves, King wasn't talking about them.

He said the books by the family had been curated and shelved by someone who works for him, someone who's "sort of interested in my, what would you call it, my ...?" "Legacy?" I offered. "Legacy, maybe that," he said.

A few minutes later, I asked whether he considered his legacy himself. "I don't think about legacy very much," he said. "I don't understand why there would possibly be one. When you're a popular novelist -Imean, don't get me wrong, I do the best job that I can, and I always try to find something to say. If you're not saying something that you cared about, why bother?

"There are very few popular novelists who have a life after death. Agatha Christie, for one. I can't think of anybody else who's a popular novelist, really. People like John D. MacDonald, he was a terrifically popular novelist in his day, but when he died, his books disappeared off the racks. They were ultimately disposable. I think that a couple of the horror novels might last. They might be read 50 or a hundred years from now, 'The Shining' and 'Salem's Lot' and 'It.' If you ask people, 'What vampire do you know?,' they'd say, 'Dracula.' Well, who invented Dracula?' 'I don't [expletive] know.' So, 50 or a hundred years from now, people will say: 'Oh, Pennywise, the clown. Yeah, sure.' 'Who is Stephen King?' They won't know."

## EPICS AND HARDCOVERS

"Pirates of Venus" is among the books by Edgar Rice Burroughs on King's shelves.

### **BURROUGHS, HOLD THE TARZAN**

Inhabiting another several feet on one shelf, also a gift from Tabitha, were books by Edgar Rice Burroughs. "'Pirates of Venus' and the ones about Pellucidar — 'At the Earth's Core' and stuff like that. I loved that," King said. "I never really cared that much for the Tarzan books, all that jungle [stuff]. I never believed that

swinging from vines and talking to the apes and things."



The library's fiction shelves are neatly arranged, in alphabetical order by author.

King with his collection of "Tales From the Crypt." "These twisted me as a kid," he said.

## THE 'CRYPT' AND CORMAC

King pulled a set of "Tales From the Crypt" off the shelf, solemnly recited its title and let out a cartoonishly evil cackle. "These twisted me as a kid," he said. "I was 10 or 11. My aunt was concerned; my mother was not. They were about a nickel apiece. They didn't have the covers on. In those days, they would tear off the covers and send the covers back and get credit for them. They were supposed to pulp them, but they kind of double-dipped."

He noted that, like many of the books in his library, the "Crypt" copies were reprints. "I'm not a collector," he said. "I have a few signed books, and they're not shelved in a special place. They're not prized possessions or anything like that. I have a 'Look Homeward, Angel,' signed by Thomas Wolfe, and 'They Shoot Horses, Don't They?,' by Horace McCoy. And I love that stuff, and it's nice to have a signed book, but …"

Later, we came across a signed first edition of Cormac McCarthy's second novel, "Outer Dark," published in 1968. "I love Cormac McCarthy," he said. Asked if he knew him, King said: "No. I mean, you didn't know Cormac McCarthy, but I read everything. I read 'The Passenger,' and I thought, this guy is like 87, 88 years old, and he's as good as he ever was. Just blew me away. I mean, I didn't understand all of it. It made such an impression that I wrote this story called 'The Dreamers' that's going to be in a new book. And it's dedicated to him because I stole his style for that story; it made the story possible."

## **AFTER THE HARDY BOYS**

"I started reading Ed McBain when I was probably 11 or 12," King said, looking at his row of several novels by the prolific author of crime procedurals. "The bookmobile would come by. We lived out in the country. The first thing I remember is, I'm reading one of these books, and [detectives] Carella and Kling go to interview a woman about some crime. And she's sitting there in her slip and she's drunk, and she grabs her breast and squeezes and says, 'In your eye, copper.' And I thought to myself: *This is not the Hardy Boys*. Okay? It made an impression. It felt more real." Pointing at the shelves of fiction, King said: "That's everything that I've read or that Tabby's read. These are all read books and loved books. We can't throw a book away, none of us can."

Though he described himself as not a very fast reader, he stopped to recommend some quite timeconsuming books, including John Galsworthy's epic "The Forsyte Saga" ("I listened to it and read it on my iPad because the print's too small for me now") and Anthony Powell's 12-volume "A Dance to the Music of Time."

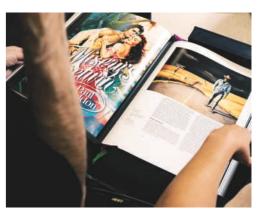
I remarked on the fact that all of the books on the fiction shelves — or very nearly all — were hardcovers. King said that was to make up for not having them growing up. "When I was a kid and I was poor," King said, "the idea that you could buy a hardcover for the astronomical price of \$6, when you could get a paperback for 35 cents? No." The first hardcover he ever bought, when he was in college, was William Manchester's "Death of a President," about the Kennedy assassination, which he gave to his mother for her birthday.

Toward the end of my visit, King enthusiastically pulled a last exhibit from the shelves: "*This* is an interesting book: Dan Simmons, 'Carrion Comfort.' It's long; very long. This is one of the few books *everybody* in my family has read. He dedicated it to me, after I got hit by a van. It's a book about people who get into stupid accidents." On this note, King turned to the room and loudly asked: "Are we having fun yet?"

Soon everyone present was gathered around a copy of "Knowing Darkness: Artists Inspired by Stephen King." It would be hard to overstate the dimensions of this oversize, limited-edition book, which sat on a table on one end of the room and seemed more like an additional piece of furniture. "I'm not even gonna try to lift it," King said. Its pages included at least one playful touch: an illustration of King's face on a classically cheesy romance cover for the novel "Misery's Return," an imagined work that plays a role in King's "Misery."

But "Knowing Darkness" was otherwise stuffed with darker images that have adorned his work. After looking at it for a while, King said with mock innocence: "I must have kind of a twisted mind." There was laughter all around.

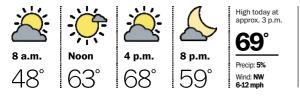
John Williams is the editor of Book World.



King looking through "Knowing Darkness," a very oversize book containing art associated with and inspired by his fiction.

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MARYLAND A family is distressed after a man's death in January at Johns Hopkins Hospital was ruled a homicide. c2



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Activist and attorney Ady Barkan, 39, fought for Medicare-for-all and other health-care reforms. **c**6

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Glenn Youngkin speaks during his election night party in Chantilly on Nov. 3, 2021. The Virginia governor has not ruled out a 2024 presidential run, but has said he will focus exclusively on state legislative races until Election Day on Tuesday when all 140 seats in the state's House and Senate will be on the ballot.

## Time a hurdle if Youngkin runs for president

**by Laura Vozzella** 

RICHMOND — Virginia Gov. Glenn Youngkin has

Virginia governor would face an uphill climb this late in the race as several state filing deadlines approach big splash in the March 5 Super Tuesday primaries. But that would require a mad dash to get on the ballot — an exercise that in some states requires gathering tens of thousands of petition signatures and filing paperwork with the strict "i"-dotting and "t"-crossing that's tripped up even the most experienced and unhurried campaigns. "A lot of people think you can just wake up one morning and say you're running for president and

## D.C. law to target drug markets

## CRITICS QUESTION CONSTITUTIONALITY

Mayor revives old anti-loitering policy

### BY MEAGAN FLYNN AND Michael Brice-Saddler

It was 1989. D.C. had recently been dubbed the murder capital of the United States, and the crack wars were raging.

Then-D.C. Mayor Marion Barry (D) and council members were called before Congress to testify about what was going on in the nation's capital, and they came bearing news. The city had just passed an anti-loitering law that allowed police to establish "illegal drug zones," had set a curfew for juveniles and beefed up pretrial detention.

If that feels a little like déjà vu, it's because Mayor Muriel E. Bowser (D) is recycling the same ideas more than 30 years later, as the District confronts a violent crime problem that has drawn comparisons to the city's bloodiest era, even though today's underlying causes bear less similarity.

Most recently, the mayor unveiled a proposal to revive those "anti-loitering" and "drug-free zones," which would allow police to cordon off temporary zones for five days where anyone congregating to use, buy or sell drugs can be arrested if they don't leave. The proposal is a throwback to a '90s-era approach to cracking down on then-prolific open-air drug markets, a problem that has not been front-and-center in D.C. for years. Now, however, at a time when the major drivers of violent crime are not tied to drugs as they once were, Bowser may encounter some resistance to resurrecting the policy - primarily because of its history of drawing legal challenges and racial profiling concerns. The 1989 iteration of the law was struck down in court as unconstitutional. The 1996 version that replaced it — and which Bowser's proposal would revive was never challenged in court but was repealed by the D.C. Council in 2014 when the attorney general's office raised concerns that it ran afoul of the Constitution. Bowser herself, then a council SEE DRUG MARKETS ON C3

kept everyone guessing about his White House ambitions for nearly two buzz-filled years, so long that the 2024 speculation has shifted from will he or won't he to *can* he — is it even possible, this late in the game, to mount a credible campaign?

Having missed candidate-filing deadlines in key early states, Youngkin (R) could try to make a

SEE YOUNGKIN ON C4

## **Ex-CIA officer faces entrepreneur in expensive Va. race**

## by Teo Armus

She's been here since 2006; he moved into the district last year. She's worked in government; he's pushed his business career. She grew up poor; his dad is a billionaire.

But as these first-time candidates tussle over issues that include abortion, crime and whether it's okay to give out Chick-fil-A at the polls in this pivotal Virginia state Senate contest, one thing ties Russet Perry (D) and Juan Pablo Segura (R) together: unprecedented amounts of campaign

### cash.

More than \$6.4 million already has been spent on ads in this competitive Loudoun County district, where party-line messaging over abortion rights and public safety has appeared all over television and radio and is defining a contest that could determine which party controls the state Senate.

"This race is a potential majority-maker," said Mark Rozell, dean of George Mason University's Schar School of Policy and Government. That "is why so much attention has been paid to it by donors, who have poured enormous amounts of money into this campaign."

All 140 seats in the Virginia General Assembly are up for grabs in the election Tuesday, and each party is trying to defend a narrow majority in one chamber, the Democrats in the Senate and the GOP in the House of Delegates. A new set of district maps has prompted a wave of retirements, including in this district, and scrambled the geography of state politics.

Just a handful of seats are expected to SEE VA. SENATE ON C5

# *'Through My Anacostia Eyes' gives voice to teens*



Theresa Vargas

frustrations and their hopes, Keveon Graves said nothing. He listened. He absorbed. Then, only after everyone else finished talking, he spoke.

discussed their

fears, their

"I feel like people are always talking about the future and what they want to do when they get to it, but what's the point of talking about it when we're too busy killing off the future?" he said. "Why are we killing off each other? Why are we killing off adults? I feel like us kids should be letting each other grow up."

Keveon is 16 years old, but he speaks with the thoughtfulness of a person who has spent years considering the life he has and the life he wants.

"Before we even think about talking about the future, we

should make sure our future is confirmed," he told me. "I want us to be back in a world where we're able to walk outside and interact with our neighbors and our friends."

our friends." "You don't feel you can do that now?" I asked him. "No," he said. "I don't feel I

"No," he said. "I don't feel I could walk outside or walk anywhere without being paranoid."

Right now, a lot of adults are talking about D.C. teenagers and, in particular, D.C. teenagers who, like Keveon, live and attend schools in the neighborhoods that have been disproportionately affected by youth violence.

Keveon and his peers know this. They know that members of Congress, D.C. officials and people across the nation are concerned about the carjackings and shootings that have been committed in the city this year by teens and kids who are too young to be teenagers. They know that those adults are now discussing, debating and

SEE VARGAS ON C4

## Rally for Palestinians, cease-fire draws thousands

Emotions range from anger to encouragement as protesters converge near the White House

This article was written by Michelle Boorstein, Claire Healy, Marissa J. Lang, Gillian Brockell and Laura Meckler

Thousands of people supporting Palestinian rights converged Saturday on Washington from around the country, demanding a cease-fire in the Gaza Strip and an end to American aid to Israel amid a deepening war.

Protesters filled in and flowed beyond Freedom Plaza, a block from the White House, with the crowd streaming for at least a halfmile down the surrounding streets. Anger and grief mixed with feelings of comfort and encouragement, attendees said, as people of all ages mingled with like-minded allies.

Similar rallies calling for a cease-fire unfolded Saturday in London, Berlin and elsewhere. The event in D.C., which concluded with a march through downtown streets to the White House, SEE RALLY ON C2



ASTRID RIECKEN FOR THE WASHINGTON POS

A pro-Palestinian rally drew thousands of participants from around the country to Freedom Plaza in downtown Washington. Similar events took place elsewhere, including in London and Berlin.

# Emotions high at Palestinian rally

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sions of American solidarity with the Palestinian people to date. On the march, an 8-year-old boy carried a kid-sized red megaphone and led a chant: "Hey hey, ho, ho, the occupation has to go." Arriving at the White House, a handful of people stood along the fence and waved Palestinian flags.

From the rally stage, speakers led the crowd in chants of "Free, free Palestine! Free, free Palestine!" and "Cease-fire now!" Many lashed out at President Biden for his support of Israel, which has responded to a Hamas attack on civilians with a deadly invasion of Gaza.

Toddlers, teens and grandparents alike wore kaffiyehs, and strangers passing on the sidewalk made the "V" peace sign and said "free Palestine" to one another. A long row of faux coffins were on display, draped with Palestinian flags. As the event wound down, a group unfurled a long scroll of paper listing more than 8.000 names of Palestinians who protesters said have been killed in the conflict.

Manar Ghanayem, 70, attended with more than a dozen friends and relatives, including small grandchildren with Palestinian flags painted on their fac-

"We came here to let our voices be heard and our hearts and hoping we'll change the way people see this conflict," said Ghanayem, who traveled from North Carolina. "Every human is entitled to basic human rights, not killing kids, not torturing people," she said

The war began Oct. 7 when gunmen from Hamas, the militant group that controls Gaza, broke through Israel's border, killing at least 1,400 people, leaving at least 5,400 injured and taking about 240 people into Gaza as hostages, Israeli officials said.

Israel retaliated with strikes in Gaza, where at least 9,488 people have been killed and 24,000 wounded, the Gaza Health Ministry said

With that death toll heavy on their minds Saturday morning, Mahmoud Ashi and a group of friends boarded a bus in New Jersey carrying 75 small handbrother and nephew, killed in their Gaza home Friday by a bombing in the middle of the night. Two of his nieces are hospitalized in critical condition.

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"Is this [Israel's] right to defend themselves? Killing children?" he asked, holding out a bag with the name of a 10-yearold child. "My brother lost his life when he was sleeping. My nephew lost his life when he was sleeping."

Betoul Ajin, 22, held tight to the hand of her aunt, Zenaib Omar, 61, who is blind and immigrated to the United States from the West Bank in 1986. The women said they felt drawn to the demonstration after weeks calling their senators' offices, which, they said, have been unresponsive. "Our senators need to be reminded that they work for us," Ajin said

The rally was supported by a broad coalition, including Palestinian rights groups, antiwar and climate advocates, Jewish anti-Zionist organizations, Indigenous rights groups, trans and queer liberation groups, and racial justice organizations.

Moshe Berg, an ultra-Orthodox Jew attending from Rockland County, N.Y., said the actions in Israel do not represent Jewish values. Seeing Berg's traditionally Jewish garb but not hearing his words, a protester walked by and told him, "See you in hell."

Emotions ran high. Signs and speakers accused Israel of "geno-Many demonstrators cide." chanted "from the river to the sea," a call for freedom from the Jordan River to the Mediterranean Sea that some interpret as a call to wipe out Israel altogether.

Ron Halber, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Washington, said the rhetoric at Saturday's event was calling for the elimination of the state of Israel, which he said was acting to defend itself following a brutal terrorist attack.

The protesters, he said, "are wholeheartedly supporting a homicidal terrorist organization that slaughtered 1,400 Israelis in cold blood and has taken numerous civilians hostage including from our own country," he said. "They are just incredibly misguided, uninformed and reactionary, and history will judge Protesters filled in and flowed beyond Freedom Plaza, a block from the White House, with the crowd streaming for at least a half-mile down the surrounding streets. D.C. police said they made one arrest in the evening for destruction of property, Friday asking them to resist any

D.C. police said they made one Separately, someone pressed red blood, onto stone pillars along the White House perimeter, and Square Park.

Biden was the target of much of the crowds' ire. On the stage and off it, many Saturday voiced anger at the president and threatened to oppose him when he stands for reelection next year. Boos rang out when Biden's name was mentioned.

guage Biden and his party understands. The language they understand is the language of votes in 2024," Nihad Awad, executive director of CAIR, the country's largest Muslim advocacy group, told the crowd. "No cease-fire, no votes!" The crowd chanted it back.



Dunnia Eljamal, who traveled from New York City to attend the demonstration, leads the crowd in chants.

Pennsylvania, no votes in Ohio!" Awad said. "In November, we remember!

In November, we remember!" the crowd said. The president swiftly support-

spond to a request for comment Saturday. But in response to similar criticism, on Friday a National Security Council spokesperson repeated that the administration

The White House did not re-

what a permanent cease-fire would be.'

Half of registered voters in the United States approve of Israel's response to the Hamas attack, while 35 percent disapprove, according to Quinnipiac University polling released Thursday.

Those views vary sharply by party identification, race and age, with the lowest approval seen among Democrats (33 percent), voters ages 18 to 34 (32 percent) and Black voters (29 percent).

At the same time, the polling shows, 51 percent of voters support the United States sending more military aid to Israel and 71 percent of voters support providing humanitarian aid to Palestinians in Gaza.

It was unclear Saturday how backlash and anger over the administration's war response might actually play out in the 2024 campaign — particularly if Biden's opponent is former president Donald Trump, a strong supporter of Israel who draws opposition for many other reasons.



urge to counter the event or engage with protesters, which she said could "increase the potential for violence or antisemitic rhetoric."

arrest in the evening for destruction of property, related to the spray-painting of the word "Gaza" on the nearby McDonald's on 17th Street. It was not clear who the perpetrator was. handprints, meant to symbolize "Free Palestine" was spray-painted onto a statue in Lafayette

"Now we understand the lan-

made body bags.

Ashi, who grew up in Gaza and moved to the United States in 1987, said his group spent four days crafting the bags out of sheets and cut-up mattress pads. On the side of each bag, they wrote the name of a child killed in Gaza.

The victims include Ashi's own

they have put themselves on the side of supporting terrorists versus a democracy trying to defend itself.

Halber said his group discouraged supporters of Israel from attending to counterprotest. Jen Zwilling, chief executive of the Edlavitch D.C. Jewish Community Center, also emailed members

"No votes in Michigan, no votes in Arizona, no votes in Georgia, no votes in Nevada, no votes in Wisconsin, no votes in

ed Israel after the Hamas attack. On Wednesday, Biden called for a humanitarian "pause" in the war but not a cease-fire.

Ghanayem said she had voted for Biden in 2020 but was outraged by his response to the war.

"I can't believe Biden is turning a blind eye to this and gave Israel the green light," she said.

did not support a cease-fire.

"We support humanitarian pauses in the fighting in order to get lifesaving humanitarian aid in and distributed to those in need in Gaza, and to get hostages out," the spokesperson said. "What we do not support are calls for Israel to stop defending itself

from Hamas terrorists, which is

"This election has become a conundrum, because I don't want to vote for Biden," one woman told her friend as they began marching in downtown D.C. "But I really, really don't want to vote for Trump."

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#### MARYLAND

## Family 'distraught' after man's death at Johns Hopkins ruled a homicide

#### BY KATIE METTLER

In January, 63-year-old Paul Bertonazzi was driven to Johns Hopkins Hospital by Baltimore police because, officials said, he was experiencing a mental health episode and needed help.

Baltimore police took him to the emergency room. Within hours, according to officials, Bertonazzi's body had gone limp, paralyzed from the neck down.

Five days later, the man was dead.

Now Maryland's chief medical examiner has ruled Bertonazzi's death a homicide – and determined he died as a result of "trauma to the body," law enforcement officials said.

Bertonazzi suffered a cervical spinal cord injury after entering the psychiatric ward with two Johns Hopkins security guards and a charge nurse, according to a lawyer for the man's family and police body-camera footage reviewed by The Washington Post.

The video footage, which the family obtained through a public records request and shared with The Post, shows hours of footage of Bertonazzi with police and then hospital staff, complaining several times of neck pain and stating he has a bad neck. Amy Orsi, the family's attorney, told The Post that the man had a condition called spondylosis,

which is arthritis of the spine. But the body-cam footage, as

well as surveillance video from inside the hospital, seems to cut off once the security guards and nurse entered the psychiatric ward with Bertonazzi.

The body-cam footage includes an interview with the charge nurse in the hours after Bertonazzi's injury, in which the nurse told Baltimore police officers that there was no violent interaction with the man.

The nurse told police that Bertonazzi had been sitting handcuffed in a wheelchair. Staff wanted to remove his handcuffs. but he was not cooperating, the nurse said, so the security guards stood him up then placed him face down on a stretcher pad on the ground.

The nurse said on video that they removed the handcuffs and then that Bertonazzi told them he could not move his arms or legs.

Baltimore Police Department's Special Investigation Response Team began investigating the incident that day, authorities said in a statement, and homicide detectives are working to determine the "manner in which the victim's injury occurred."

Orsi said her office is waiting to receive a copy of the autopsy report from the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

"We just don't know at this

point what happened, and that is what we're trying to find out," Orsi said. "Certainly we are looking to explore all legal remedies on behalf of the family."

A Johns Hopkins spokesperson said in a statement that the hospital "cannot discuss any individual patient's care due to patient privacy laws" but that they "are committed to providing the safest and highest quality of care

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for all patients."

"We will cooperate fully with the authorities as they proceed with their investigation," the statement said.

At 5:44 p.m. on Jan. 7, officers were called to a Burger King on Orleans Street – just a few blocks away from Hopkins - where Bertonazzi appeared to be experiencing a "behavioral crisis," Baltimore police said. Officers said

they found the man threatening to harm himself and others.

Medics tried to treat Bertonazzi, police said, but he was "combative" and refused care. Officers trained in crisis intervention detained the man, authorities said, and took him to the hospital after more than two hours of negotiating inside the Burger King, outside in the parking lot and inside police vehicles. Video shows him placed in a wagon and an officer sitting in the back with him at the hospital.

The body-cam footage of Bertonazzi's time in police custody shows the man walking and moving his arms and legs. Once at the hospital, body-cam and surveillance footage show the man in a hallway sitting in a wheelchair with his hands cuffed behind his back. Again, the man can be seen moving his upper body and legs.

But according to interviews captured on body-cam footage, hospital staff told police that they could not obtain surveillance footage from inside the psychiatric ward - where Bertonazzi became paralyzed — because the cameras in that part of the hospital only play live video and do not record because of medical privacy concerns.

After Bertonazzi told the charge nurse and security guards he could not move, hospital staff said they braced his neck, placed

him on a backboard and paged the emergency-room attending physician.

From there, Bertonazzi was intubated and spent five days in the hospital before he died of his injuries Jan. 12, authorities and the family's lawyer said.

notified The hospital Baltimore police, the department said, who then informed the Maryland Attorney General Office's Independent Investigations Division, which oversees all police-involved death cases in the state

But after IID reviewed footage from the officers' body-worn cameras, as well as surveillance video, they determined Bertonazzi did not sustain his fatal injuries while in police custody, the attorney general's office said in a statement.

Bertonazzi's body was transferred to the state medical examiner, which did not make a determination in the case until Wednesday – nearly 10 months after the man's death.

This was a complex case that required many ancillary studies and investigation," a spokesperson for the medical examiner's office said in a statement. "It is not uncommon for complex cases to take many months before cause and manner of death is determined. Once the autopsy report proceeds through our

standard finalization procedures, it would then be available for release, provided the State's Attorney does not request it to be held for additional investigation."

It's up to police and prosecutors to determine whether to file criminal charges following a ruling of homicide from a medical examiner.

Orsi said her office is exploring all possible causes of Bertonazzi's spinal injury, including actions by Baltimore police and hospital staff.

An IID spokesperson said that the office does not have investigative jurisdiction over deaths that occur when someone is in the custody of private security officers – and that the agency has no purview over the security guards employed by Johns Hopkins Hospital.

A spokesperson for Johns Hopkins declined to answer specific questions from The Post regarding the incident, including the employment terms of the security guards who interacted with Bertonazzi when he was injured.

Bertonazzi's family learned of the medical examiner's homicide determination this week, the same time as the public.

"His daughter is extremely distraught," Orsi said. "This is certainly not what you expect when you have a family member come into the hospital."



## Monday, Nov. 6 on Washington Post Live: New York Liberty co-owner Clara Wu Tsai on the future of women's sports

Clara Wu Tsai is one of the most influential women in sports as co-owner of the New York Liberty and the Brooklyn Nets. On Monday, Nov. 6 at 1:00 p.m. ET, Wu Tsai joins The Post's Sally Jenkins to discuss the growing popularity of women's sports, the evolution of the WNBA and the next generation of female athletes. Washington Post Live is the newsroom's live journalism platform. Tune in at washingtonpost.com/washington-post-live/.

#### THE DISTRICT

## Jury selection in Trump's federal election trial is set for Feb. 9

#### BY SPENCER S. HSU

A federal judge has scheduled jury selection to begin Feb. 9 in former president Donald Trump's Washington trial on charges of seeking to subvert the results of the 2020 election.

U.S. District Judge Tanya S. Chutkan set the date for hundreds of D.C. residents to be summoned to the federal courthouse to complete a written questionnaire about the case.

The historic trial for the country's 45th president — who is also a leading candidate for the GOP presidential nomination in 2024 — is set to begin March 4, after in-person questioning by prosecutors, Trump's defense attorneys and the judge.

Trump is seeking to postpone the trial, arguing among other things that it raises novel and historic legal questions, such as his claim that former presidents remain "absolutely immune" from criminal prosecution after leaving the White House.

Trump was charged in August in a four-count, 45-page indictment that accused him of a criminal conspiracy to remain in power, obstruct Congress's Jan. 6, 2021, joint session to confirm the electoral vote count, and deprive Americans of their civil right to

have their vote counted.

The case is one of four felony prosecutions Trump faces, including a state trial in Georgia that involves similar allegations of trying to obstruct the state's election results; a federal indictment in Florida over Trump's alleged retention and mishandling of classified documents after leaving the White House and his alleged attempt to block government officials from retrieving them: and a New York state business fraud prosecution accusing Trump of covering up hush money payments made during the 2016 election campaign.

The Georgia case has not yet

been scheduled for trial. The New York case is scheduled to go to trial in late March, and the federal case in Florida is scheduled for trial at the end of May. But trial dates often get pushed back, and U.S. District Judge Aileen Cannon suggested Wednesday that she might delay the timeline for court proceedings in Fort Pierce, Fla., noting the upcoming trial in D.C. and requests from Trump's lawyers to have more time to prepare.

Chutkan announced the February start of jury selection in D.C. on Thursday, in a two-page order that grants requests by special counsel Jack Smith to protect the privacy of prospective jurors. Trump's defense largely agreed to those requests in an earlier court filing. The safeguards include barring either side from directly communicating with potential jurors, using "nonpublic databases" for juror research, disclosing prospective jurors' names or identifying information, or providing identifying information to others.

Smith has linked Trump's efforts to overturn Joe Biden's election victory to the violent riot carried out by his supporters after his Stop the Steal rally near the White House. "The attack on our nation's Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, was an unprecedented assault on the seat of American democracy," Smith has said. "It was fueled by lies, lies by the defendant."

Trump has pleaded not guilty, and he and his lawyers have accused the Justice Department of targeting Biden's chief political rival, maintaining that Trump was acting within the bounds of the presidency.

Separately, in a Thursday night filing, Trump's legal team asked an appeals court to stay a limited gag order issued last month by Chutkan, arguing that the order unfairly muffles a leading presidential candidate.

### THE DISTRICT

## Two teens charged in day-long robbery spree that ended in a fatal shooting

### BY PETER HERMANN

A high school student killed in September outside a sandwich shop in Northeast Washington's Brentwood neighborhood was shot in the head during a daylong armed-robbery spree involving juveniles, according to D.C. police and court documents.

Authorities attributed five robberies and one attempted robbery to members of a street crew, two of whom, ages 16 and 17, were arrested Thursday. Police alleged in court documents that as many as four people attacked victims in two distinct morning and evening crime sprees on Sept. 11, often demanding victims' sneakers.

Police said at least two of the victims were students. One was a teenager robbed of his sneakers while walking to morning classes at Roosevelt High School in the Petworth neighborhood. The other was 17-year-old Antonio Cunningham, who was fatally shot while walking to his after-school job at the Jersey Mike's sub shop

on the ground floor of the Rhode Island Row apartment complex in Brentwood.

The teens who were arrested, Marlan Smith Jr., 16, and Anthony Monroe, 17, were charged as adults with first-degree murder, assault with a dangerous weapon and several counts of robbery, police said.

A D.C. Superior Court judge on Friday ordered both defendants detained pending a Dec. 4 hearing. Monroe's attorney, Stephen Logerfo, declined to comment on Friday. Smith's lawyer did not respond to an interview request.

Cunningham's father, Antonio Davis, 36, said the arrest "brings some relief" to his grieving family. He said a police detective visited his house Thursday night with the news. "Even though there is justice now, it's still not going to bring my son back," Davis said. "All we can do is just wait."

Cunningham was a junior at Dunbar Senior High School and had started working at Jersey Mike's over the summer. He played basketball and boxed at a gym. Family members said he was a snappy dresser — purple jeans, Balenciaga footwear — had five younger sisters, some of whom lived in Maryland, and would visit frequently. Relatives said Cunningham was contemplating college but wanted to someday open a boxing gym.

The day-long spate of robberies came amid a spike in violent crime in the District and involved three categories with the sharpest increases compared with this same period last year: robberies, up 70 percent; vehicle thefts, up 101 percent; and homicides, up 32 percent.

Police said the armed robberies on Sept. 11 began before 6 a.m. in front of a fire station in the Columbia Heights neighborhood. Police said people with masks got out of a vehicle and confronted a person riding a scooter.

One stuck a gun in the person's stomach and said, "Give me everything you got," according to a police affidavit, which describes the items taken as a backpack, iPhone and AirPods. The affidavit, filed in court, says the victim told police that the gunman threatened to kill him if he refused to reveal his bank card PIN. Police said the same group

robled three more people over the next three hours — two near Coolidge High School in Takoma and the one in Petworth that targeted the student headed to Roosevelt High School. The affidavit says an armed assailant told the student, "Let me get the Penny's off your feet," apparently referring to a type of Nike sneakers.

Later that day, a few minutes after 4 p.m., police said, members of the same crew robbed a person of sneakers in the 16th Street Heights neighborhood. Police said the same group then drove in a blue Kia Sportage and an SUV to Brentwood in Northeast, where the fatal shooting occurred 27 minutes later.

Relatives said Cunningham usually took the Metro from school to the Rhode Island Avenue station and then walked to work, where he made sandwiches. On Sept. 11., police said, he and a friend first stopped at a Chipotle restaurant in the same complex.

They had just left the Chipotle when, police said, they were robbed near the front entrance to Jersey Mike's. Police said four masked people believed to be teens pulled up in a black SUV and a Kia Sportage and jumped out. The surviving victims told police that at least one of the assailants had a gun and pointed it at his face, demanding, "Give me your shoes!"

Police said the surviving victim took off his white Balenciaga sneakers and ran away. Police said the gunman then turned toward Cunningham, who was on a sidewalk in front of Jersey Mike's, wearing gray Nike Air Jordan 3 sneakers. Witnesses told police the gunman pressed Cunningham against a wall.

The affidavit says a bystander armed with a legally registered handgun and concealed-carry permit intervened in the robbery attempt. Police said the gunman then fired, striking Cunningham in the head and the bystander in the chest. The bystander, who police said did not fire his weapon, fled into Chipotle. Police said he had critical injuries but survived.

Police said Monroe and Smith were arrested Oct. 5 after residents reported suspicious vehicles parked on Floral Place NW, in the Takoma neighborhood. Police said they found two juveniles in a stolen red Nissan and one juvenile in a stolen silver Hyundai Tucson.

The vehicles were parked in back lots near trees. One had its headlights on and motor running. All three juveniles were sleeping, and police said they found loaded handguns in both vehicles.

Court documents identified two of the juveniles as Smith and Monroe. Both were arrested and initially charged as juveniles in connection with the firearms and stolen vehicles. On Thursday, they were charged as adults with murder and other crimes.

## D.C. mayor resurrects old 'drug-free zone' policy

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member, voted for the repeal. In rolling out the policy,

legislation, passed after George Floyd's murder. Bowser has also called on the council to pass her May "Safer Stronger" legislation, which would permanently expand pretrial detention for juveniles and adults charged with violent crimes and enhance gun penalties, among other things. In recent years, cracking down on drug-dealing or drug-related loitering had not made up a significant part of city leaders' crime strategy — but they've pointed to growing concerns about these issues among residents, raised in community meetings and in onneighborhood forums. line Chinatown offers one example. In its 2023 report on the Gallery Place-Chinatown corridor, the DowntownDC Business Improvement District cited "visible drug sales" as a "complex challenge," along with a growing number of homeless people and panhandlers, and called for "stronger police presence to disrupt drug sales activities." (The DowntownDC BID did not respond to a request for comment.) During an August community meeting, a representative for Monumental Sports & Entertainment, which owns the Wizards and Capitals, decried the "openair drug transactions" outside of Capital One Arena, and residents have described feeling on edge due to both petty crime and serious violence. Howard Marks, vice president of the condo board for the Residences at Gallery Place, right next to the Metro station, said he and his neighbors were "totally thrilled" after Bowser unveiled the plan to revive anti-loitering drug free zones. Marks had moved into his condo building in 2014, back when "there was a certain rhythm" to the neighborhood, he said, a sense of safety and ease on vibrant streets. The offices were filled. Since-shuttered Bed Bath & Beyond was busy with shoppers right downstairs. "Then covid hit, and everything changed," Marks said. "Once the office workers left to work from home, the streets were virtually empty, and – if I can use the word without offending anyone – miscreants suddenly became larger than life," he said. Drug deals seemed commonplace right beneath the historic Chinatown arch, and sometimes he smelled marijuana as he walked to and from home. Fare evaders hopped the gates and loitered at the top of the Metro station escalators. Reckless e-scooter riders whizzed past, contributing to a "sense of chaos"

that took over, he said.

But there's little police can do about loitering unless they're catching a drug dealer red-hand-

Still, even then, Maupin said he did not recall the law being frequently used, in part because "it didn't last very long," he said. Days before Barry's own arrest on crack cocaine possession charges, in January 1990, a D.C. judge struck down the "Illegal Drug Zone" emergency act as unconstitutional. The problem, the court found, was that even though the intent was to squash suspected drug users or dealers, the law was so broad that it could apply to innocent people doing anything - even merely existing - in the targeted zone. council apparently The learned from that case, and sought to draft a narrower law in 1996 - the version Bowser is seeking to revive in nearly identical fashion. Its champion, former council member Bill Lightfoot (I-At Large), says his legislation was also spurred by concerns from the community, like citizen patrol groups who had expressed unease about the proliferation of prostitution and open-air drug markets. "Public safety has to be the priority. The rights of criminals have some bearing, but the role of government is to protect citizens," said Lightfoot, who remains a close adviser to Bowser. "We were dealing with a crack cocaine epidemic, we had been named the murder capital ... and [the council] took an attitude toward violent crime that it was not going to be tolerated." Under both the 1996 law and Bowser's proposal, police would issue notices to residents in and around an established zone, stating that for up to five days, it would be unlawful to congregate "for the purposes of participating in the use, purchase, or sale of illegal drugs." Police could only arrest people they "reasonably believe" are involved in drug activity if they ignore orders to disperse. But in 2014, as the council debated whether to repeal the measure, the attorney general's office cited due process concerns with the law. Andrew Fois, then the deputy attorney general, wrote in a letter that the law failed to sufficiently consider a person's intent to engage in illegal activity among the elements of the crime. On Oct. 27, D.C. Attorney General Brian L. Schwalb (D) said on the Politics Hour with Kojo Nnamdi that he was reviewing those due process concerns now, though his office had not reached an opinion as of Friday.



Bowser and top officials expressed confidence it was legally sound and said it addressed what she described as a troubling "emerging trend": plain-view drug dealing and use, visible in some of the District's busiest corridors, such as Chinatown and H Street. Bowser has acknowledged the problem is nowhere near what it once was, saying officials believe there are fewer than 10 such "open-air drug markets" today, compared with an estimated 60 in 2002. Still, Bowser's top public safety officials, including acting Police Chief Pamela A. Smith, believe those problems can spill into violence or create other dangers. They declined to identify suspected locations.

"We want to blunt a trend we see in open-air drug dealing that we have pretty much squelched in this city" in all but a few areas, Bowser said, "and we don't want that activity to proliferate."

Council member Brooke Pinto (D-Ward 2), who chairs the public safety committee, welcomed Bowser's proposal, noting that she has heard concerns across the city about hot spots for drug dealing or criminal activity, fearing police don't have adequate tools to disrupt them. "This trend cannot continue without intervention," she said.

But skepticism is already simmering. Council Chairman Phil Mendelson (D) threw cold water on the idea in an interview last week, doubting its relevance to D.C.'s violent-crime spike, driven by carjackings and homicides. He said he supported the idea of drug-free zones - and prostitution-free zones – more than a decade ago, but, citing the 2014 concerns from the attorney general's office and the American Civil Liberties Union, he questioned whether Bowser's proposal would hold up to legal scrutiny.

"I don't oppose [anti-loitering statutes]. They're just unconstitutional," he said — an unsettled question that could drive debate within the council.

Pinto said she would hold a hearing on the legislation on Nov. 29.

## Community, business concerns

Bowser's proposal to revive the anti-loitering drug zones is a key facet of her Addressing Crime Trends Now Act, which would also target "organized retail theft" and roll back various provisions of D.C.'s major police reform ed, and by the mid-2010s, D.C. moved away from plainclothes street officers going after smalltime dealers on the corner to focus more on big-time drug operations.

In a statement, Paris Lewbel, a police spokesman, said drug-related investigations "are difficult cases to make, and too often don't provide immediate or lasting relief to our communities because only a few people are arrested and may be quickly back on the street."

Bringing back drug-free zones, he said, would "help disperse and interrupt this activity and help neighborhoods and businesses reclaim and clean up public space."

### Legal troubles

In its many variations, the antiloitering approach has a long history of trial and error. Go back far enough and, even in the middle of a world war, President Franklin D. Roosevelt took the time to veto a 1941 D.C. "vagrancy" statute – a Jim Crow-era specialty often targeting Black people and poor people - over fears police couldn't be trusted not to misuse it. A more tailored D.C. "narcotics vagrancy" law was struck down in federal court in 1968. And year after year, especially in the 1980s as drug-related crime became a more urgent problem, the D.C. Council kept trying to bring it back.

D.C. Housing Authority Police Chief Joel Maupin remembers when Barry and the council enacted a new anti-loitering law targeting "illegal drug zones" in 1989. Then a street officer for D.C. police patrolling Southeast's 7th district, Maupin made one of the first arrests under the law.

"That was during the time when PCP was frequent in the streets, and crack cocaine was very prevalent," Maupin said. "So drug-free zones, during that time frame, it was very much needed. ... There was a lot of violence associated with crack cocaine. Now violence is most associated with anything or everything, it appears."

According to a December 2021 report that studied the underlying causes of homicides in D.C., about 15 percent of the 274 killings where circumstances were known were tied to drug disputes or drug robberies — a different picture from the 60 percent tied to drugs in 1988, and 41 percent in 1990.

Arthur Spitzer, senior legal counsel at the ACLU, said that in

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D.C. Mayor Muriel E. Bowser, left, with acting D.C. Police Chief Pamela A. Smith in Washington on July 24.

his view, the primary concern is about how police would make arrests. "Reasonable belief" that someone is engaged in drug activity is up for interpretation, he said, even if Bowser's bill lists various criteria like "operating as a lookout" or exchanging "small packages." It could allow police to make arrests under a lower standard than probable cause, which Spitzer said raises a red flag and spells legal trouble.

But, legal concerns aside, Spitzer questioned whether the approach will really make the impact leaders are hoping for.

"Designating a zone is just going to drive the market a couple streets over, and what good does that do, really?" he said. "It makes the people on this block happier for a while, but makes people on the next block suffer the same problems."

While officials won't say exactly where the open-air drug markets are today, recently, the U.S. attorney's office secured guilty pleas from six men tied to one operating around a Shell gas station on South Capitol Street SE.

While naming drugs of concern, Smith said that opioids and fentanyl topped the list. And while the use and possession of marijuana is legal in the District — though not to smoke in public or to buy or sell — Bowser said that the city's inability to tax and regulate the drug has also contributed to violence, a problem prosecutors described as happening at the gas station.

Bowser and Lindsey Appiah, deputy mayor of public safety and justice, have brushed aside legal concerns, noting that the former law never was actually challenged in the 18 years it was on the books. A similar anti-loitering drug-free zone law was struck down by a federal judge in Annapolis in 2001 — but Bowser said this week that this did not concern her, and Appiah said she was not familiar with the case.

Appiah cited a policy briefing from the Sentencing Project as part of the research she reviewed that led her to believe the District's policy is sound. The brief was about school-related drugfree zones, however — and according to the Sentencing Project, it has nothing to do with Bowser's proposal.

"Not even relevant," acting director Kara Gotsch said.

Gotsch said it was puzzling to hear Appiah cite her organization, which does not endorse Bowser's proposal and which asked the Bowser administration to not cite them again. (Appiah insisted the briefing was relevant when asked about Gotsch's objection.) It was more puzzling, Gotsch said, to see the Bowser administration seeking to revive the law so many years after it was repealed.

"Arresting more people for loitering because they might be involved in drug use or possess drugs is not how we solve our drug problem," Gotsch said, noting concerns about racially disproportionate enforcement as well.

While it's not yet clear where drug-free zones would be set up if Bowser's proposal were to pass, some lawmakers have started to poke around. Council member Zachary Parker (D-Ward 5) asked Maupin at a D.C. Housing Authority hearing whether public housing complexes might be targeted, as they were back when the law first came into use in 1989. Maupin said there had not yet been discussions.

"Unfortunately," Parker said, "we're coming full circle having to think about implementing that again."

Emily Davies contributed to this report.

## With time tight, experts say odds slim Youngkin will run

#### YOUNGKIN FROM C1

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magically your name appears on the ballot," said Dennis Lennox, a Republican strategist who was part of a last-minute scramble around Christmas 2012 to get Mitt Romney the signatures he needed from blue congressional districts in Illinois.

Some conservatives, including media mogul Rupert Murdoch and megadonor Thomas Peterffy, have encouraged Youngkin to jump in as an alternative to Donald Trump and the host of declared Republican rivals who've failed to gain traction against the former president.

Youngkin has conspicuously not ruled out a run, but says he will focus exclusively on state legislative races until Election Day on Tuesday, when all 140 seats in Virginia's House and Senate will be on the ballot.

Just a handful of races in each narrowly divided chamber will determine the fate of Youngkin's conservative legislative agenda, including banning most abortions after 15 weeks, and the viability of his national aspirations.

But even if the GOP wins Virginia in a landslide, Youngkin's path to the GOP primary ballot would be an uphill climb.

The filing deadline in Alabama hits three days after Virginia votes this week. The cutoff in Arkansas comes Nov. 14. In Maine, Nov. 20. The window shuts Nov. 28 for the easier of two routes to the California ballot, which involves filing an application with the secretary of state. The other option gives the candidate until Dec. 15 but requires gathering signatures from a whopping 52,000 registered Republicans.

Before December is up, deadlines will come and go in 17 other states stretching from Vermont to Hawaii. Given that tight time frame, some of the GOP's leading experts on ballot access and convention-delegate math give slim odds to a late Youngkin gambit.

"Theoretically possible" but "very, very small" is how veteran Republican elections lawyer Benjamin L. Ginsberg described Youngkin's chances of winning the nomination. He noted daunting hurdles beyond getting on the ballot, such as finding experienced staff not already committed to other campaigns lion dollars really quickly," Ginsberg said. "And so, if you don't have a long runway to plan that out, which Youngkin doesn't, campaigns tend to do an inconsistent and slapdash job when what you need is real attention to detail."

Even more skeptical is Joshua T. Putnam, founder of Frontloading HQ, a site that tracks the presidential primary calendar.

"It's too late," he said. "A presidential campaign is just one thing that you've got to get in and get your bearings, essentially. You need time to do that. You need time to give yourself the space to make the inevitable mistakes you're going to make and learn to recover from them. And a month or two before the Iowa caucuses is not the time to do that."

Youngkin supporters and even some independent analysts still see a path based on qualities specific to the governor (wealthy enough to self-fund, with bluestate cred and megadonors in his corner) and the oddities of the 2024 cycle (chiefly, a frontrunner facing scores of felony indictments).

"It would be a herculean task — for anyone else, yeah, probably not doable. But this is Glenn Youngkin," said Brad Hobbs, who has been nudging his junior high school pal to seek the presidency since before he won the governorship. "There's just nothing he can't climb over. ... He's Superman — I mean, he is."

Lennox, who is executive director of the Republican Party in the Virgin Islands and unaligned with any candidate, says big Republican wins in the Nov. 7 General Assembly races though by no means assured could power Youngkin past the forbidding logistics.

"Youngkin's appeal — as arguably the only Republican who can expand the 2024 map and put a 'blue' state into play, and his ability to self-fund a credible organization overnight — would allow him to make a super-late entry into the race," he said.

Even Lennox doubts Youngkin could pull off an outright win ahead of the Republican National Convention in Milwaukee in July. But he says the governor might be able to garner enough delegates to deny a majority to Trump or other declared candidates, such as Floridelegates and it goes to Milwaukee, then somebody like Youngkin is incredibly well-suited to play the sausage-making game that will unfold," he said. Citing the RNC's obscure rule 40(b), Lennox noted that a candidate only needs a plurality — not a majority — of delegates from five or more states to be eligible for nomination at the convention.

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Officials with Youngkin's Spirit of Virginia political action committee did not respond directly to questions about the logistical hurdles Youngkin would face. They also declined to discuss any plans he might have in place to overcome them; that sort of preparation would undermine Youngkin's oftrepeated claim that he will not give a thought to the presidency before the General Assembly elections.

"Governor Youngkin is spending every waking moment making the case for our Virginia candidates — telling voters why they should send him a team in Richmond to keep moving Virginia forward," Dave Rexrode, chairman of the PAC, said in an email to The Washington Post.

Youngkin has been the focus of presidential chatter since the political newcomer flipped blueleaning Virginia red in November 2021. He and his team have fanned speculation that he will get into the race with hectic cross-country political travel, forays into international politics and a flurry of self-promoting videos, including one casting him as the successor to President Ronald Reagan.

Even in the homestretch of the General Assembly races, Youngkin hosted a two-day retreat for national GOP megadonors at a luxury Virginia Beach resort on Oct. 16 and 17.

Days later, he flew across the country to California for an undisclosed political trip. (The Virginia State Police, which provides a security detail to the governor, confirmed the political travel on Oct. 19 in response to a Freedom of Information request from The Post. Youngkin's PAC did not respond to questions about the trip.)

Hobbs, the childhood friend who mixed with fellow donors at the retreat, said he does not know whether Youngkin plans to get into the race.

"I think his primary focus is his family and the commonpresidential flirtation, making the plane that New York Gov. Mario Cuomo (D) kept idling on the tarmac in Albany a generation ago look like an early bird. While Cuomo weighed wing-

ing to New Hampshire in December 1991 just hours ahead of the filing deadline for the firstin-the-nation primary, the Democrat ended his two-month presidential tease when he kept the jet grounded that day.

Up against a more front-loaded primary calendar, Youngkin has fed the buzz even after missing deadlines in Nevada (Oct. 16), New Hampshire (Oct. 27) and South Carolina (Oct. 31).

Money would not be a problem for Youngkin, who has support from some megadonors who have soured on Trump and DeSantis. The former Carlyle Group executive — worth \$470 million, Forbes estimated when he won the Executive Mansion — is capable of self-funding the ballot-access enterprise that typically costs millions of dollars even for campaigns that don't have to rely on professional signature-gathering firms, as Youngkin's probably would.

Team Youngkin is unlikely to blink at candidate-filing fees that some cash-strapped campaigns can't easily afford, such as the \$50,000 required at this point to run in the Virgin Islands. (The cost was \$20,000 for those who filed there by Sept. 30.)

But getting on the ballot would still be a slog of grassroots grunt work and legal nittygritty that varies from state to state.

In some states, only registered Republicans may sign petitions for the party's primaries, with a certain portion required to hail from each congressional district.

In others, any voter from anywhere in the state is good enough. Some states allow voters to sign petitions for multiple candidates, while others restrict them to just one.

Virginia is one of the more challenging states, though the home-state governor would certainly have an advantage. He would need 5,000 signatures, including 200 from each of the state's 11 congressional districts, by Dec. 14.

Four Republican candidates failed to qualify in Virginia in 2012 — then-Gov. Rick Perry of Texas, former senator Rick San-

dents from collecting signatures. (Non-Virginians may do so now if they file a notarized affidavit.)

Only Romney and Rep. Ron Paul (Tex.) qualified for the ballot in the Old Dominion that year, when the signature requirement was 10,000.

Some states make it fairly simple, including Alabama. All that's needed there is a \$20,000 filing fee and a few hundred signatures (500 from any qualified voters, or just 350 if at least 50 signatures come from each of the state's seven congressional districts).

The Alabama Republican Party says on its website that presidential candidates "should contact the office to arrange for payment prior to the close of qualifying." But party spokeswoman Jeannie Negrón Burniston said that warning is really just to make sure campaigns have the information needed for a wire transfer, if they want to pay that way.

"If he shows up at 4:59 Central standard time with a check in hand, and fills out the form and has the [signatures], he will [get on the ballot]," she said, referring to Youngkin. She clarified that he could send a representative.

Tennessee makes it especially easy, waiving its 2,500-signature petition requirement for anyone who forks over \$10,000 to the state GOP by Dec. 5.

"Pretty much just, 'Here's my money,' and you're good to go," said Tyler Burns, political director of the Tennessee Republican Party.

Maine is on the trickier side. By Nov. 20, a campaign must submit petition signatures from at least 2,000 — but no more than 2,500 — registered Republican voters to the various municipalities where each voter is registered. Once the registrations are certified, the campaign needs to deliver the petitions to the state by Dec. 1.

Getting on the ballot in some states grows harder as time goes on. It's a low bar at first in Michigan, where the secretary of state will put anyone "generally advocated by the news media to be a potential candidate" on the ballot on Nov. 10.

The state GOP chairman can add a name through Nov. 14. But after that, candidates have until Dec. 8 to collect 13,249 signatures. (Those dates could shift Super Tuesday states and beyond, it could be done," said Allan Keiter, founder of the nonpartisan elections website 270toWin. "More than 90 percent of the estimated delegates don't get allocated until Super Tuesday or later."

Keiter also notes that states holding contests before March 15 "are not allowed to have pure winner-take-all allocations," making it easier for a latecomer to amass some delegates.

"However, this is not a purely mathematical exercise," added Keiter, who says Trump's dominance over a large and diverse field of GOP challengers is probably a more serious obstacle than any nuts-and-bolts logistics.

"I see this as a non-starter ... to the point that it borders on farcical," said David Wasserman, senior editor and elections analyst for the Cook Political Report, who also thinks the taller order is overcoming Trump's seemingly unshakable grip on the GOP base. That's true even in Virginia, where the governor is fairly popular.

Among Republican and Republican-leaning Virginia voters, 54 percent said they would prefer Trump to be the party's nominee, while 39 percent would rather it be Youngkin, a recent Washington Post-Schar School poll found.

"It's very tempting to get in the race when you've got people willing to cut you seven-figure checks," Wasserman said, but that doesn't translate into support from Republican voters, who "are not in the market for a Trump alternative overall."

Even if Trump falters, some political analysts question why voters would suddenly gravitate toward Youngkin, who has failed to register in national polls despite frequent appearances on Fox News programs.

"He has zero percent name ID. Literally people have no idea who he is," said Amy Walter, publisher and editor in chief at Cook. "Why would a person coming out of nowhere, who nobody knows, be viable all of a sudden?"

Geoffrey Skelley, senior elections analyst at the nonpartisan elections website FiveThirtyEight, sees "a little bit of Michael Bloomberg" in Youngkin, referring to the former New York mayor and Democrat who lavished a chunk of his personal

and meeting donor thresholds for remaining debates.

"A presidential campaign is like the ultimate start-up: You go from zero in the bank to needing several hundred mil-

 da Gov. Ron DeSantis and former South Carolina governor
 Nikki Haley, forcing a brokered convention.

"If Trump or DeSantis or Haley do not get a majority of the wealth of Virginia, and that's what's made this an extremely difficult decision," he said.

Whatever the governor decides, Youngkin has already set a new standard for 11th-hour

hard, or as he put it, "cheesin."

torum (Pa.), former House speaker Newt Gingrich (Ga.) and former Utah governor Jon Huntsman Jr. — because they were unaware that the state then banned out-of-state resislightly because the state's primary, tentatively scheduled for Feb. 27, could change.)

"From a purely mathematical perspective, if Youngkin was able to gain ballot access to the fortune on a belated and ultimately humiliating Super Tuesday strategy.

"Cost him about \$1 billion," Skelley said. "All for American Samoa."

## THERESA VARGAS

## Everyone is talking about D.C. teens. A new book lets them be heard.

#### VARGAS FROM C1

disagreeing about what actions and legislation are needed to reduce youth crime and increase youth achievement. They also know this: Many of those adults don't understand what young people in their neighborhoods have experienced because they haven't taken the time to listen to them.

That's what makes a book launch scheduled for Wednesday morning at the University of the District of Columbia significant. The event will mark the public release of a book that is filled with poems and reflections from a group of students who attend Anacostia High School in Southeast Washington.

The book was created as part of a summer internship program that exposed the teenagers to nature, and, in those pages, they write about that experience. They also write about what they have endured, what makes them unique and the futures they deserve.

"What you don't know by looking at me is that," student NeKaeyla Roach, 18, wrote in a poem, "... I come from a neighborhood where/ we don't know the difference/ between fireworks and gunshots/ between what's supposed to be fun/ and what's trying to kill you."

In that poem, she recalls running as a child on July Fourth, then stopping, turning around and seeing everyone drop to the ground to avoid getting hit by bullets. She fell down so hard and so fast that day, she wrote, that she expected a knot to form on her head. She ends the poem by explaining how pressure forms diamonds and how she is a diamond who wants to attend Spelman College "to become one of the best Black women lawyers.'

Caroline Brewer, a children's book author and literacy consultant, developed the curriculum for the program, led the writing instruction and edited the book, which is titled "Through My Anacostia Eyes."

It was created through a partnership between UDC, Conservation Nation, the Department of the Interior and the Justice 40 Summer Internship Initiative at Anacostia High School.

Brewer described the finished product as a "profound work of self-expression by Anacostia's youth." She recalled a powerful

"Before we even think about talking about the future, we should make sure our future is confirmed." Keveon Graves,

Anacostia High School student

moment that occurred when the students worked together to compose a poem about the Anacostia River. The last stanza begins: "If I were the Anacostia River, I know what I would love."

"Peace," Brewer recalled a student saying. "Yes, peace, I celebrated inside. Peace is what every human being wants, and because of that, it was so easy for this student to imagine that the river — after all it's been through these past 400 years craves it too."

I spoke with several of the students on a recent afternoon during their lunch break at the school. They all expressed pride in what they created. One boy said his mom read his poems aloud, and that left him smiling

Marcus Williams, 16, said he struggled with the writing at first because he wasn't sure what to share but that it later felt therapeutic. For the poem titled "What You Don't Know by Looking at Me," he wrote: What you don't know by looking at me is that I grew up with screaming and yelling and being told to be a leader, not a follower. So here I am. What you don't know by looking at me is that I am boy growing up in Southeast fighting to make a change. "People used to believe that kids grew up and made it to 18, but that's not happening anymore," Marcus said. He's right. Too many children in the city aren't hitting that

milestone. By the end of September, 19 juveniles had been killed in the city this year, which was more than the total number of youths killed the year before. "I personally believe we deserve change," Marcus said.

He and the other teenagers said the city needs to create more programs that can motivate young people and more safe places where they can gather and escape whatever is happening at home. They talked about the need for more mental health services for them and for adults in the community.

NeKaeyla said support groups should be formed for parents who didn't learn those skills from their own. "They didn't have a childhood, and they don't really know how to give someone else a childhood," she said.

I asked the students what they most wanted people to know about them.

"I'm not a product of what I constantly see," NeKaeyla said. "They should know I came from



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NeKaeyla Roach, 18, is one of the Anacostia High School students who contributed to "Through My Anacostia Eyes." The book gave the Southeast Washington teens a chance to share their experiences.

the hood, but I'm not hood."

"They should know that if there are kids-slash-young adults like us that are coming up in the future, that the future will be a way better place than the present is," Keveon said. "We know what it was like growing up in these times and what we need to do to make change, what we need to do to make it feel safer for future generations."

In one of his poems, he wrote that his favorite sport is basketball even though he's built like a football player. His favorite food is a potato because it can be cooked in so many ways, and "My dreams that I have while sleeping are sometimes better than the reality I face/ while constantly awake."



Fellow student Keveon Graves, 16, said, "We know what it was like growing up in these times and what we need to do to make change."

## Va. Senate candidates raise unprecedented campaign cash

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determine the outcome in this off-off-year election, casting many eyes on this showdown between Perry, a former CIA officer and county prosecutor, and Segura, a health-tech entrepreneur who co-founded the local chain District Doughnut.

Voters in this stretch of horse country, wineries and suburbia voted for Gov. Glenn Youngkin (R) in 2021 and Rep. Jennifer Wexton (D-Va.) in 2022, and both campaigns have attracted bigname surrogates and even bigger out-of-state cash hauls - on par with many congressional races.

Both candidates have spent more than any other in their party, drawing on six-figure sums from advocacy groups, some sitting legislators and political action committees tied to Youngkin or wealthy megadonors on the left.

Perry has amassed more than \$6 million as of Oct. 26, drawing major contributions from state Democrats and abortion rights and environmental advocacy groups. Segura has raised slightly less – about \$5 million in the same period - including more than \$1.1 million from his father, a PhD economist from Argentina who built his fortune on immigration and border technology systems.

Those massive war chests have allowed them to fuel a seemingly nonstop TV blitz since the primaries in June, even in the expensive D.C. media market. Where Segura has worked to frame Perry as soft on crime and sympathetic to a "defund the police agenda," she has sought to cast him as an extreme "MAGA Republican" who would jail doctors for providing abortions.

Voters in the district interviewed by The Washington Post expressed a wide range of policy concerns - from mental health funding to housing costs - but the candidates have also hewed closely to their parties' core playbooks.

Perry hosted OB/GYN roundtables on her "Russet for Roe" tour and is standing alongside Planned Parenthood leaders as she looks ahead to "Roevember" in the final days before the election. Segura has made frequent appearances with Youngkin, like many other GOP strivers in competitive districts.

### A focus on 'Roevember'

zero for Youngkin's culture-war clashes but has grown increasingly liberal with new arrivals.

The 31st state Senate district - which stretches from rapidly growing areas northeast of Leesburg down to Warrenton in Fauquier County – has more often than not voted for Democrats. most recently siding with Wexton by more than five points in last year's congressional elections.

Democrats have seen massive turnout in state elections since Roe v. Wade was overturned. including in areas far redder than this one, and the party hopes the area's slight blue tilt may have increased after the fall of Roe.

The challenge for Perry, then, is less about winning people over and more about getting them to show up at the polls. It's not for nothing that Perry sometimes is compared both to Wexton and to Rep. Abigail Spanberger (D-Va.), who represents a similar swath of Virginia suburbs.

Spanberger, Perry Like worked in a "covert capacity" at the CIA, including a final stint in a counterintelligence task force. Then, like Wexton, she spent nearly a decade as a county prosecutor in Loudoun, leading up the office's domestic violence and sexual assault division under Republican and Democratic officials as she began raising her two kids in Round Hill.

Still, it's the question of abortion, not her government background, that she said propelled her to run and that she has emphasized at every chance.

"My opponent has made no bones about wanting to roll back those rights," she said over mugs of coffee at a Leesburg bakery. 'That will mean I have fewer rights than I have today, and that will mean that my daughter has fewer rights than my mother had, than my grandmother had."

As she has worked to define herself as a political newcomer, Perry has also sought to steer the conversation away from GOP messaging tying her to Loudoun County Commonwealth's Attorney Buta Biberaj (D), under whom she worked for her final two years as a prosecutor.

In one ad, Segura mentions a Loudoun man who allegedly killed his wife - and is now awaiting trial for murder – after he was released on bond following a domestic violence arrest. (While the victim's sister supported the ad as holding prosecutors "accountable," her mother told NBC4 it was like "rubbing salt in the wound." Perry's campaign called it inaccurate, noting the candidate no longer was a prosecutor when the case began.) But as the skies cleared and workers headed to knock on doors around Leesburg that Saturday, it appeared the abortion message was working - at least, at one house on a quiet suburban street, where a man named Gary answered the door. "I'm not happy with the women's rights issues," the 50-yearold federal contractor said, declining to give his last name as he described drifting away from his Republican upbringing. "Just in



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Virginia Senate candidate Juan Pablo Segura (R) speaks to constituents at a fall festival in Sterling on Oct. 8. With a \$5 million war chest, he's been able to contribute to a seemingly nonstop TV ad blitz since the June primaries.



Russet Perry (D), a former CIA officer and Segura's opponent, speaks to election volunteers at a campaign event on Oct. 8 in Leesburg. She has amassed more than \$6 million as of Oct. 26.

general with human rights, I think the conservative party has left the building."

### **From Peronism to doughnuts** At stops around Loudoun and

"I decided to leave my businesses and run for political office," he told one gathering at a Leesburg mosque last month, "because we live in a time of great moral and political disor-

year cutoff for residency under Virginia election law, records show.

In March of this year, he also claimed a "homestead" exemption — which reduces taxes for moved my whole family to Virginia? I think the voters aren't really interested in that."

Core to his campaign has also been the story of his Latin American heritage, which he has cited as he reaches out to Latino churches in the area, hires mariachi bands and taco trucks for early voting parties, and speaks Spanish to call on "mi gente" to elect him into office.

One spot shows black-andwhite footage of Buenos Aires as Segura narrates. "Years ago, my family fled Argentina after socialism made our country unsafe," he savs.

Argentina has never been ruled by socialists. For most of the past half-century, most Argentine presidents - and the country's dominant political currents - have adhered to a difficult-to-define brand of populism that has swung both left and right but centers a devotion to the South American country's former president Juan Domingo Perón.

Asked in an interview about his parents, Segura clarified that they first moved from Argentina to Spain in the "early '80s." That means that the couple would have left several years after a military junta overthrew Perón's wife and successor, Isabel Perón, and began violently persecuting socialists and other left-wing groups.

Segura maintained that his parents were prompted to leave by parts of Peronism that he labeled as socialist and that persisted even after the 1976 coup d'état, such as a heavy reliance on trade unions and the nationalization of banks and railroads.

"The influence of the policies of Peronismo created economic challenges," he said, "that really forced them to leave and look for opportunity elsewhere."

Rather than fleeing from socialism, then, the Seguras would have moved to a country shifting to the left.

His parents left to study in Spain around the time its Socialist Workers' Party was assuming the presidency. It remained in power until well after the Seguras had relocated to the D.C. area.

At a makeshift mosque tucked into the back of a Leesburg hotel, Segura said his parents came to the United States for greater opportunity.

Shoeless and suit-clad, Segura sat and watched the religious

On a rainy Saturday last month, Perry, 39, took to the wraparound porch outside her Leesburg campaign office to rally a sea of volunteers, many in pink baseball caps that read "Bans off our bodies," and laid out the stakes.

"It's not just us here. It's the entire South," she told them. "We know what happens if we lose: It's going to be long and enduring and painful. But we have the ability to hold the line right down there on the Virginia border right here with this seat today."

That's exactly the message many Democratic strategists say is needed to drive turnout for this seat, which played ground

Fauquier, Segura, 35, frequently rattles off a list of lines on his résumé: an accounting degree, then consulting at Deloitte, then opening up a chain of "the most innovative" doughnuts in the D.C. area and finally a tech start-up he co-founded to automate doctors' visits for pregnant women.

He has promised to "reinforce parental rights" in public education, pointing to his suit against the Loudoun County School Board over its refusal to release an internal report on some highprofile sexual assault cases. His business acumen, he has said, is what will help him bring innovation to a government trapped in bureaucracy.

der, and I believe we need a new message of hope."

That pitch was compelling enough that after redistricting scrambled the map, state Sen. Jill Holtzman Vogel (R-Fauquier) a former GOP nominee for statewide office who lives in the district - announced her retirement and endorsed him.

Segura has painted an image of himself as a lifelong Virginian, noting in an interview that he was born in Alexandria, grew up in McLean and has been "making my way west," as he settled in Leesburg with his wife to raise their newborn son.

A three-year D.C. resident, he bought his Loudoun County home just days shy of the oneany primary residence – on that property, declaring the District as his primary residence through March, according to property tax records.

He later amended his tax forms in July to retroactively remove the claim, those records show.

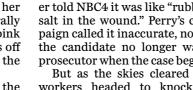
Perry and others have suggested he moved to Loudoun to try to "buy" the race, but he brushed it off as an irrelevant attempt to undermine his campaign.

"This is a technicality filing kind of nuance," he said in an interview. "We changed our licenses. We changed the license plates on our cars. We're paying Virginia taxes. ... Did I file a form one or two months after I services before getting up to address the worshipers, pledging to enthusiastically welcome Muslims and immigrants in the **Republican Party.** 

Most knew him already, from the nonstop ads on the TVs and the yard signs propped up all over the area.

Some, like Osman Sediqi, flagged the candidate down with questions about parts of his platform not included in the ads. A self-described "fiscal Republican." Sedigi said he was intrigued by Segura's promise of a more "inclusive government" but wanted to know more about his stances on renewable energy.

Could Segura win his support? He was still mulling that over.







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## **OBITUARIES**

ADY BARKAN, 39

## Activist fought for universal health care, other systemic reforms

#### BY DAN DIAMOND

Ady Barkan, an activist who fought for access to universal health care, improved home health support and other reforms to America's health-care system as he suffered from the degenerative disease ALS, died Nov. 1 at a hospital in Santa Barbara, Calif. He was 39.

The cause was complications from the medical condition. sometimes known as Lou Gehrig's disease, that had steadily robbed him of his ability to move and speak, said Liz Jaff, who cofounded the political advocacy group Be a Hero with Mr. Barkan.

A Yale-trained lawyer, Mr. Barkan initially worked as an activist to improve housing for low-income Americans. strengthen protections for immigrants and other progressive causes.

The publication Politico in 2016 named Mr. Barkan, then 32, among the most influential people in American politics for his efforts to reform the country's banking system, with Mr. Barkan arguing that the Federal Reserve did not appropriately reflect the needs of working people.

That same year, he was diagnosed with the terminal disease ALS, or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, forcing Mr. Barkan into what he described as a personal reckoning. But he quickly realized that he could utilize his illness to force policymakers, who often shrugged off activists' pleas, to engage with him on discussions about health-care reforms.

As Republicans in December 2017 debated whether to pass a bill to cut taxes, Mr. Barkan confronted then-Sen. Jeff Flake (R-Ariz.) and warned him that the party's legislation would trigger automatic cuts to federal health programs that Mr. Barkan said would lead to unsustainable medical bills for ALS patients and Americans with other serious health conditions.

"You can be an American hero," Mr. Barkan beseeched Flake, as fellow activist Jaff held the camera to capture the conversation. "You can save my life." Flake and other Republicans said Mr. Barkan's claims about the bill's impact were unfounded because Congress would take action to avert the health-care cuts, and the party passed the legislation with no Democratic votes. But Mr. Barkan's video received national attention, transforming him overnight into a prominent commentator on health-care causes, and the rallying cry he uttered – be a hero – became the name of the new organization that he and Jaff co-founded in 2018. The group worked to stage protests of Republican policies and raise awareness for priorities such as Medicare-for-all, a proposed single-payer health system favored by some Democrats "The ugly truth is this: Health care is not treated as a human right in the United States of America. This fact is outrageous," Mr. Barkan testified in a congressional hearing in April 2018, adding that he and his wife had been locked in fights with his health insurer over his medical bills. "... We have so little time left together, and yet our system forces us to waste it dealing with bills and bureaucracy."

Mr. Barkan and Jaff also embarked on a cross-country speaking tour in an RV in summer 2018, aiming to confront Republicans about their votes and help elect Democrats in that year's midterm elections. But the travel and frequent speaking engagements had a visible toll: Mr. Barkan would lose his voice – frequently becoming unintelligible - even as he spoke to crowds of hundreds of supporters, drawn to hear his message.

Mr. Barkan turned to a computer-generated voice that allowed him to hold conversations and make remarks, including when he testified at Congress's first-ever hearing devoted to Medicare-for-all in April 2019.

Days after that hearing, Mr. Barkan, Jaff and their allies began strategizing around how he could play a role in the 2020 presidential campaign, eventually settling on a strategy of holding one-on-one conversations with candidates seeking the Democratic nomination.

Democratic Sens. Kamala D. Harris (Calif.), Cory Booker (N.J.), Elizabeth Warren (Mass.) and others agreed to sit down with Mr. Barkan in California, where they were confronted on taking donations from the pharmaceutical industry, whether they were misleading voters on their support for health reforms and other discomfiting questions

"He made himself a force," said Mike Casca, who worked with Mr. Barkan in an effort to shape the policy priorities discussed during the 2020 campaign. "It really all came down to nobody can bulls--- a guy who's dying,' said Casca, who is now a spokes-



In 2016, Politico named Ady Barkan one of the most influential people in U.S. politics for his efforts to reform the banking system.



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Mr. Barkan, seen here in 2017, initially worked to improve housing for low-income Americans before he was diagnosed with ALS.

congressional Democrats needed to pass \$400 billion in additional funding to pay for more aides and expand access to the services.

"Home care is keeping me alive. I don't think I could tolerate my paralysis if I were isolated in a nursing home instead of surrounded by the love of my children and wife every day," Mr. Barkan told a reporter in September 2021, typing out the message with eye movements. "But millions of disabled people and their families aren't as lucky as me.'

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he grew disenchanted with America's political system after the 2003 U.S.-led invasion of Iraq, saying that the bipartisan support for the war effort revealed the need for more progressive reforms.

He received a bachelor's degree in economics from Columbia University in 2006 and graduated from Yale Law School in 2010. He worked for the Center for Popular Democracy, a progressive advocacy organization, before launching Be a Hero.

Survivors include his wife of 18 years, Rachael King, an associate professor of English literature at

## **IN MEMORIAM** BAPTIST



**DEBBI DORSEY HURD BAPTIST** Like the glow of the setting sun, your ra-diance will never fade. You will forever re-main in our hearts and the hearts of the many that you inspired Deepest Love, Your Parents Elaine and Bill Dorsey

## **DEATH NOTICE**

BAKER

**ROBERT W. BAKER** 

(Age 86) Robert W Baker passed away peacefully, on Monday October 30, 2023. Born and raised in Pittsburgh,PA until joining the US Air Force from 1954–1958.

## **DEATH NOTICE** BARRINGER



**REV. DR. TOMAS W. BARRINGER** Transitioned quietly on Friday, October 20, 2023. He leaves to survive, his wife, Lor-na Barringer, two adult children, daughter, Jessica and son, Jordan; two siblings, sis-ter, Gwendolyn J. Brown of Knosville, MD and brother, Jadie Barringer, Jr. of Vero Poach El Beach, FL.

Beach, FL. Wake November 8 at 9 a.m. Funeral 11 a.m. at Friendship Baptist Church, 900 Del-aware Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20024. Interment November 13, 1:30 p.m. at Chel-tenham Veterans Cemetery.

## **BECCHETTI**

## FRED BECCHETTI FRED BECCHETTI Fred Becchetti, formerly of Annadale, Vir-ginia, died on October 24, 2023 at the age of 99 in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Fred was in the foreign service with USIA for 27 years. He was predeceased by his wife Vivienne. He is survived by his daughter Carole Gard-ner (Bob) and son Larry Becchetti. For the full obituary, please visit www.nationalcre-mation.com. No service planned.

## GARFIELD



SANFORD GARFIELD

SANFORD GARFIELD "Sandy" (Age 80) Sanford "Sandy" Garfield of Rockville, MD, passed away peacefully on October 30, 2023. Beloved husband of 56 years to Nina; proud father of David; loving broth-er of Rhoda (David) Crawford and Donald (Kate) Garfield. He was born on February 21, 1943, in Chicago, IL to Louis and Lor-raine Garfield. After receiving his B.S. from the University of Illinois and doctorate from the University of Chicago, he pursued a life and career dedicated to science, first in academia and concluding with 25 years of service at the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases at NIH. While there, he oversaw landmark studies focused on improving the treatment and prevention of type 2 diabetes in high-risk groups. A lover of good food, music, art and literature, he spent his retirement years in-dulging in them all. He was deeply loved by family, coworkers and friends, and will be dearly missed. Graveside service Tuesday, November 7, 11 a.m. at Shalom Memorial Park, 1700 W Rand Rd., Arlington Heights, L. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to American Indian Science and En-gineering Society (www.aises.org). For info: 847-256-5700

Air Force from 1954–1958. Bob married Mary Ann McGovern in June 1962. Together, they moved to Greenbelt, Maryland where raised four children, Rob (Brigid), Ken (Elaine), Lori Murray. His son Paul and sister Georgina Baker preceded him in death. His legacy con-tinues with 10 grandchildren and one great-grandson great-grandson. Per his wish, his body was donated to MD Anatomy Board. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

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MARY JANE HANLEIN

MARY JANE HANLEIN (Age 99) Our beloved mother, Mary Jane Hanlein "Nonnie" passed away at home on Octo-ber 28. She was born December 27, 1923 in Washington, DC. She grew up in the small town of Anacostia, roller skating and waving to presidents as they drove by. She graduated Salutatorian from Anacos-tia High School in 1941. She married Alvin "Dinky" Hanlein in 1950 and was a loving, devoted wife and mother to her six chil-dren. She was a long time resident of Chil-lum, Maryland and McKay's Beach where she spent summers. She was preceded in death by her husband and three children, Chuck, Chris, and Cathy Pielmeier. Her surviving children Carole, Chip, and Claire and grandchildren Luke and Jude Hanlein, Gaelan, Gabriel, and Sean Tracey remain to carry on her loving goodness. Services will be held at Ft. Lincoln on December 7, at 10:30 a.m.. For more details see www.Gaschs.com



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**DEATH NOTICE** 

VAUGHN

**KENNETH RUSSELL VAUGHN** 

KENNE IH RUSSELL VAUGHN "(Age 65) Died on September 29, 2023 after a diffi-cult battle with prostate cancer. Ken was born on July 4, 1958 to the late Marie Barry and Russell Burton Vaughn. He earned a Bachelors of Arts in Philosophy at the University of Delaware, and a Masters in Library Science from the University of Maryland In bis 30-year tenure at Westat

Maryland. In his 30-year tenure at Westat, Ken was instrumental in the development,

upkeep, and revamping of library informa-tion systems, the company intranet, and other integral corporate information plat-forms. His love of reading, analysis, and thoughtful conversation was a hallmark of bic life

Ins life. Survived by his wife, the Rev. Deborah Vaughn, (nee Harsh), and daughters Eliza-beth and Claudia, Ken passed along many of his interests, especially his love for read-ing and walking in the woods. The Hobbit and other works of Tolkien's were beloved family texts, read aloud many times over

family texts, read aloud many times over. Throughout his life, Ken participated in

Throughout his life, Ken participated in Christian faith communities as a student, teacher, and leader. He was willing to ask hard questions, yet rest in his deep, abid-ing faith. Ken enjoyed home improvement projects, camping, hiking, beer-brewing, bird-watching, pampering his cats, and supporting the loves and careers of his family. Ken was a ShihFu ("teacher" or "father") at US Martial Arts as a 66th gen-eration disciple of the TienShanPai school. The family would like to express their thanks for the support of so many over the last difficult months including the staff of Maryland Oncology Hematology at White Oak, the research team for Immuno-On-cology at the NIH Clinical Center, the JSSA

cology at the NIH Clinical Center, the ISSA Hospice team, and the congregation of Gaithersburg Presbyterian Church. A Celebration of Life will be held at Gaith-

ersburg Presbyterian with inurnment at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Amer

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MICHAEL FRANCIS BURKE "Mike" Francis Burke "Mike" of the Colling Life Care Community in Mitchellville, passed away on October 11, 2023 at Johns Hopkins Hospital

He is survived by his much loved wife of 47 years, Patricia (Fessler) Burke; his sisters Kathleen Burke DeBlassio of McMurray, PA, Mercedes Kochara of Gallitzin, PA, and his twin brother, Joseph Burke of Chicago, IL.

Mike has many nieces and nephews

He was predeceased by his parents James Burke and Meltha Walther Burke, and two brothers James and Patrick

Mike was born on February 20,1953 and grew up in Loretto, PA.

Mike started his professional life as a teach-Hinke started his professional hie as a teach-er, eventually earning an M.A. in American Studies from the University of Connecticut. However, Mike's passion for protecting the environment quickly became his life's work. He worked tirelessly behind the scenes as a Congressional Aide specializing in environ-

mental and energy policies eventually be-coming Chief of Staff. Mike spent ten years as Government Affairs Leader with the US EPA mid-Atlantic regional office. There he was awarded the regions top individual honor, and an individual national Gold Medal for Excentional Santice. Later Mike served honor, and an individual national Gold Medal for Exceptional Service. Later Mike served as Associate Director for Government Affairs and Communications at the EPA Chesapeake Bay Program Office. In time he returned to Capitol Hill as Senator Ben Car-din's senior environmental and energy aide as well as Projects Director. Mike helped draft the Harriet Tubman Underground Rail-road National Historical Park law; and aided in establishing the Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail. He was a key player in the Migratory Bird Conservation Act, and the expansion of the Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge.

Mike, along with serving on the board of The Friends of Patuxent Research Refuge, served on two national non-profit boards, Senior Stewards Acting for the Environment (SSAFE) and Democracy Matters.

Mike made friends easily and kept them over time and distance. Some shared his delight in birding and others his enthusiasm for Shakespeare. His birding life list exceed-ed 200 species and he shared his insights and observations in his thoughtful column "on the Wing" which he wrote monthly for the Chespeake Ray Journal Wike always the Chesspeake Bay Journal. Mike always seemed to have a meaningful quote from the Bard for any occasion. He and Pat were frequently in the audience for concerts, plays, lectures, and regular supporters of the many museums in and around Wash-ington DC ington, DC

We will celebrate Mike's life on November 11, 2023 at 11 a.m. at the Collington Life Care Community, Mitchellville, MD.

In lieu of flowers, please consider sending a donation to Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

## EARLEY

uate of Trinity Washington University and served as the long-time assistant to the Head of School at Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School. Shirley was preceded in death by Dr. Joseph Earley, her husband of 67 years and her parents. She is survived by her three sons and their wives; Thomas and Karen, David and Nellie, Joseph and Laura. Shirley was the loving grandmother to seven grandchildren; Megan, Ben, Katie, Jack, Jacob, Annmarie and Cole. Shirley was an avid reader who loved to travel with her Jack, Jacob, Annmarie and Cole. Shirley was an avid reader who loved to travel with her husband. She had many life-long friends and enjoyed spending time at Deep Creek Lake, MD, participating in various social organi-zations and attending her grandchildren's activities. A visitation will be held at the Murphy Funeral Home in Falls Church on November 6, 2023 at 10 a.m., with funeral services to be held at St. James Catholic Church on November 6, 2023 at 1 p.m. with burial to follow at St. James Cemtery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Vitas Healthcare, Catholic Relief Services and Georgetown Visitation Prepa-ratory School.



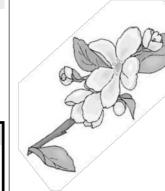
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## PECKARSKY

JANET CLARK PECKARSKY

Janet Clark Peckarsky died August 17, 2023. Born October 10, 1922, and raised in Cape Elizabeth, Maine, she was the only child of Edward Leggett Clark and Jane Dyer Clark. She married Jerome Charles (Charlie) Peckarsky in Boston in 1953 and moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. When his career with the Department of Veter-ans Affairs brought him to Washington, DC, the family lived in Arlington, Virgin-ia, for 20 years and then in McLean until her death An avid bridge player she and Ia, for 20 years and then in MicLean until her death. An avid bridge player, she and Charlie won many duplicate bridge tour-naments on their extended cruises as well as in local groups. She was an animal lover who generously supported local animal welfare leagues. Janet's husband of 52 years died in 2005. She is survived by their two children, Todd (Terry) Peckarsky and Clirabeth (Mike) Caffrav, both of Pacton Elizabeth (Mike) Gaffney, both of Reston, Virginia, as well as six grandchildren and six great-grandsons. Interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery.



**DEATH NOTICE** 

PIERSON

DOROTHY LOUISE PIERSON

## MARSDEN

## JERRY T. MARSDEN

(Age 91) On Wednesday, November 1, 2023, of Rockville, MD. Beloved husband of Fay Marsden; fa ther of Thomas Marsden, Ron

ther of Thomas Marsden, Roh-ald Marsden (Kathleen), Lori Marsden Moran (Francis), and Lynne Marsden Graves (Thomas). Beloved grandfather of Ryan, Katy, Amanda, Lau-ra, TJ, Ashley, and Justin. Also survived by Mary Marsden Ursitit Kenney and Margaret Ann Hickman. Friends and family may call at St. Peter's Church, 2900 Sandy Spring Road, Olney, MD, on Friday, November 10, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. with the Memorial Service to follow at 11:30 a.m. Interment at Gate of Heaven Cemetery at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Crohns and Colitis Foundation tion, https://www.crohnscolitisfoundation org/ or the Juvenile Diabetes Researc www.COLLINSFUNERALHOME.com

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## MORGAN **CLAIRE P. MORGAN**

DEATH NOTICE

CLAIKE P. MONGAIN (Age 89) On Sunday, October 29, 2023, of Silver Spring, MD original-ly from Dublin, Ireland. Be-loved mother of John (Nancy) Morgan, Judith Morgan, Deb-orah Morgan; grandmother of Amanda (Jason) Reardon, Seamus Bresnahan, Madeline "Maddie" Morgan; great-grandmother of Carter Bresnahan; sister of Patrick and Peter Butler of Dublin. ister of Patrick and Peter Butler of Dublir Ireland and Sheila Brannick of London, UK. Relatives and friends may call at Collins Funeral Home, 500 University Boulevard West, Silver Spring, MD, (Valet Parking), Tuesday, November 7, 2023, from 10 to 11 a.m. with Funeral Service at 11 a.m. Inter-ment Cote of Leavier Comediation

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"DANNY" November 21, 1988 - October 21, 2023 Daniel Fitzgerald Haus-Caulk (age 34) of

Washington, DC, passed away suddenly at George Washington University Hospital on October 21, 2023.

DANIEL FITZGERALD HAUS-CAULK

**DEATH NOTICE** 

**HAUS-CAULK** 

Danny was the beloved son of Karen M Haus and Martin E. Caulk (deceased) Danny received his bachelor's degree in business and was a tax advisor/manage at H. & R. Block. Damy was a good friend to everyone who had the great fortune to know him, and he enriched the lives of all he touched. He was very athletic and en-joyed playing many sports at a competitive level, excelling in soccer and track. Damy leaves behind his mother. Karen Haus, and his dog, "Jasmine", both of whom he dearly

A funeral mass will take place on Thurs-day, November 9 at 11 a.m. It will be held at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, in the upper level chapel of the Parish Center, 3630 Quesada St, NW, Washington, DC Street parking only

## **HEYER**

WILLIAM RONALD HEYER WILLIAM KONALD HEYER A celebration of the life of Dr. William Ronald "Ron" Heyer who died on October 8, 2023 will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 12, 2023 at St. George's Episco-pal Church, 915 N. Oakland St., Arlington, VA. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to Pacific Lutheran University or The Alzheimer's Association.

## LANGENBACH

#### HAZEL JEAN BURKHALTER LANGENBACH

Passed away October 28, 2023, age 90. Graveside Service November 11, 2023, 11:30 a.m. at Memorial Park Cemetery, Sedalia, MO. Contact (636) 940-1000 or visit baue.com

## "Dottie" (Age 91) Dorothy (Dottie) Louise Pierson of Falls Church VA, passed away on October 30, 2023 at Fairfax Hospital with family by her side. She was born on September 14, 1932 in Washington, DC at Georgetown Hospital to Edward B. Round and Olive A. Round She Javase to charish in ber memo-Round. She leaves to cherish in her memo-ries; four daughters: Doris Hart, Gail Inman, Mary Pierson and Patti Clark. Two broth-ers: Donald (Delanne) Round, and Robert Round. One sister: Diane (Ron) Orndoff. One sister-in-law: Miriam Round. 13 grand-children, 16 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren. Several nieces and nephews and a host of friends. Dottie was preceeded in death by her husband and love of her life James C. Pierson. Ser-vices will be held on November 7, 2023 at Murphy Funeral Home in Falls Church VA, with visitation beginning at 11:30 a.m. and Round. She leaves to cherish in her memo

with visitation beginning at 11:30 a.m. and services beginning at 12:30 p.m. Followed by burial at National Memorial Park Cemetery. In Lieu of flowers donations can be made to Ovarian Cancer or Breast Cancel

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## **DEATH NOTICE** POWERS

**RUTH MCBRIDE POWERS** Ruth McBride Powers of Chevy Chase, MD passed away surrounded by her family on Sunday, October 29, 2023

Sunday, October 29, 2023. Ruth was born on August 30, 1948 to U.S. Ambassador Robert McBride and Jacque-line McBride in Port au Prince, Haiti. She spent much of her childhood in Chevy Chase, Maryland, but also spent years liv-ing in Paris, France and Madrid, Spain. As an adult, Ruth taught elementary school reading in Montgomery County Public Schools for over 30 years. She was known for her thoughtfulness, her sense of adven-ture and was an avid traveler. ture and was an avid traveler. Ruth is survived by her husband of 52

years Oscar Powers, her daughters Jenni-fer Hicks and Elizabeth Powers, and her son Christopher Powers. Additionally, she is survived by her three adored grandchil-dren lan Hicks, Robert Gerlich and Adam Certieb Gerlich.

She will be honored in a private Celebra-tion of Life reception with her friends and



## **STEARNS**

## PALMER NEWCOMBE STEARNS JR.

(Age 90) Palmer Newcombe Stearns, Jr. of McLean, VA, died peacefully on October 29, 2023 in McLean, Virginia. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Patricia Flint Stearns; daugh-tor Errory Nadiga, and sop Palmer (Appl) of 54 years, Patricia Flint Stearns; daugh-ter Emmy Nadiga, and son Palmer (Amy) Newcombe Stearns, III; grandchildren Tara Nadiga, Jayant Nadiga, Samant Nadi-ga, Jacob Stearns, and Lucas Stearns. Mr. Stearns was born on November 7, 1932 in Washington, DC to the late Lucille Williams Stearns and Palmer Newcombe Stea-rns, Sr. He graduated from Culpeper High School in 1949 and Episcopal High School in 1951, where he played football, baseball and soccer. He graduated from the Virginia Military Institute in 1955 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering and lat-er took multiple classes toward a Masters degree in Engineering Administration at George Washington University. He served and was a paratrooper in the U.S Army George Washington University. He served and was a paratrooper in the U.S Army and was based at Fort Benning, Georgia before being stationed in Korea until his honorable discharge with the rank of Sec-ond Lieutenant in 1958. His professional career as a Civil Engineer included the Vir-ginia Department of Highways, U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, and the U.S. Agency for International Development where he was Chief Transportation Engineer, Chief Afri-can Bureau Engineer, and Acting Director of Engineering. Following his retirement in 1984 he became U.S. Director of Construc-tion Operations for Taylor Woodrow Intertion Operations for Taylor Woodrow Inter-national Construction of the U.K. He was national Construction of the U.K. He was an active member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, General Contractors of America, and American Consulting Engi-neers' Council and served on several com-mittees of the Highway Research Board and National Association of County Engi-neers. He was devoted to his family and loved playing with big grandchildran. No loved playing with his grandchildren. No funeral service will be held, his immediate family will be having a private celebratio of his life in the near future.

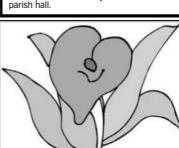


earned her law degree from Washington College of Law at American University and was a partner in the Bethesda law firm Kaslow, Chernikoff & Garber. Outside of work, she held numerous volunteer leader-ship roles, most notably in Saint Mark Pres-buterion Church where she played in the 2001 she and Randy moved to Orange Coun-ty. California, where she volunteered extenty, California, where she volunteered extern-sively, and learned to knit, which became a lifelong passion. She became highly involved with the Orange County Democratic National convention, and later with Northwest Ar-

## WELLS

DAVID MARSDEN WELLS July 23, 1932 - September 30, 2023 David Marsden Wells died peacefully sur-rounded by his wife Elizabeth F. Wells and their son and his family on September 30,

Burial was held on October 10, 2023 in Forest Park East Cemetery in Shreveport, LA. Graveside service arrangements pro-vided by Rose-neath Funeral Homes in Shreveport, LA. A memorial service for Da-vid Marsden Wells (Elizabeth Wells) will be held at 10 a m on Monday November 6. held at 10 a.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023 at Christ Church, Alexandria, Virginia A reception with family will follow in the parish hall.



**DEATH NOTICE** 

## GARBER

Ship roles, hitse hotaby in Sahit Wark Pres-byterian Church, where she played in the church bell choir. She was an accomplished and adventurous cook, and offered gourmet dinners at silent auctions for various chari-ties. In her mid-40s, she learned how to ride a motorcycle, while simultaneously devel-oping a taste for opera and taking up golf. In 2004 she and Bandy moved to Crange Coun-

kansas Democrats after moving to Fayette-ville in 2015. In 2021, she and Randy moved back to Montgomery County to be close to their daughter and grandchildren.

Linnette will be remembered for her energy, enthusiasm, activism, leadership, and contributions to many community groups. Her passions for reading, music, sports, television dramas, politics and news never left har.

A memorial service and celebration of her

life will be held on December 1 at 11 a.m., at Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old

Georgetown Rd., North Bethesda, Maryland

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Nate Walls Second Helping NWA (EIN#84-833945) via the secondhelp-

ingnwa.com website. Nate's mission is to

feed hungry kids from economically chal-lenged households in Northwest Arkansas.



Shirley Ann (Titus) Earley, 89, Falls Church, VA. passed away at her home on October 27, 2023 after an extended illness. She was born in 1934 in Pawtucket, RI to Helen O'Brien and Gilbert Titus. She was a grad-







LEIGH GRIFFITH Passthrough Partner," ' hangs up his hat; dies at 72.



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GRIFFITH

see LLC Act; development of the Double Holdco LLC structure for the home health-care industry; and participating in the first life insurance/annuity combination securiti-zation, recognized by the rating agencies as a new security and a new asset class.

of LLC and Partnership Attorneys, Leigh was a sought-after seminar leader. Leigh contributed a bimonthly column, "The Passthrough Partner," in Taxes Magazine, published by CCH Tax and Accounting. Leigh has been recognized for his vast tax law experience in The Best Lawyers in America since 1995 since 1995.

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PATRICIA ANN CONNARN January 19, 1935 – October 15, 2023 Patricia Connarn passed away peacefully in her home following a short bout with cancer. her home following a short bout with carcer. She was 88. Pat was born in Uniontown, PA to the late Stephen and Blanche Recicar. She was predeceased by her husband of over 60 years, John J Connarn. After graduation from North Union High School, Pat moved to the Detroit area. While working as a secretary at Michigan Bell Telephone Company, she met John. They were married in 1960 and quick-ly had five kids in five years! They had many moves in Michigan, and while John was at AT&T Headquarters in New York City, they

lived in Old Bridge, NJ. By 1969, they set-tled in Troy, Michigan for 14 years. Then, in 1983, Ameritech Corporation brought them to Washington, DC. They resided in Vienna, VA. From the coal miner's daughter to din-ing with Presidents and dignitaries, Pat re-mained quiet, humble, and understated. Her greatest love was her family, including her 10 grandchildren and her 30 nieces and neph-ews. Her siblings and sisters-in-law were her best friends. If you were lucky to know her, she would ask about each of your family members by name. It was her nature to care, members by name. It was her nature to care, inquire and pray for all of them! In their later years they traveled the world together, and with friends. They spent winters in Naples, FL and summers in the Northern Neck of VA. They were members of St. Mark's Catholic Church and Westwood Country Club. They met dear friends every place they lived. She had a life filled with a lot of love, given and re-ceived, and she would spend 40 years in her home in Vienna. She was loving mother to Karen Ehrensaal (Bruce), Jim Connarn, Greg Connarn, Charlene Schlingen and Mary Mid-lethon (Steve). Loving grandmother to Jamie Connarn, Charlene Schlimgen and Mary Mid-dlethon (Steve). Loving grandmother to Jamie Connarn, Jennifer Connarn, Jessica Connarn, Kristie Ehrensaal, Michelle Ehrensaal, Car-oline Schlimgen, Michael Schlimgen, Brian Schlimgen, Colin Middelthon and Laura Mid-delthon. A celebration of life will take place at St. Mark's Catholic Church, 9970 Vale Rd., Vienna, VA 22181 on Saturday, November 11 at 11 a.m. Fond memories and online condo-lences may be left to the family at

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## EHRLE **RAYMOND EHRLE**

March 4, 1926 – October 26, 2023 Raymond "Ray" Ehrle was a 22 year res-ident of Annapolis, Maryland, previously of Beltsville, Maryland. He grew up in rural upstate New York, attended a one room school for seven years and graduated from high School at age 16. He worked on his fa-High School at age 16. He worked on his fa ther's farm and then entered the Army. He was discharged as a Sargent and attended Syracuse University on the GI Bill receiving an AB in sociology in 1951. He received a ROTC Commission and entered the USAF With active duty and reserve time he retire as a Major. Overseas assignments included Newfoundland, Iceland and Eniwetok.

Dr. Ehrle received a Master's degree in Counseling Psychology from George Wash-ington University and a doctorate in Reha-bilitation Counseling from the University of Missouri in 1961. He was Supervisor, Counseling and Evoluction Borperlukation or Missouri in 1961. He was supervisor, Counseling and Evaluation, Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Center and Chief, Counseling Division, U.S.E.S. at the Department of Labor. Then Dr. Ehrle started a new Rehabilitation Counseling Graduate Education program at the University of Maryland. Over a five year period he sponsored 30 Master's degree students and eight doctoral students. Dr. Ehrle was president of the newly formed Dr. Ehrle was president of the newly formed

National Employment Counselors Associ-ation and president of the American Reha-bilitation Counselors Association. He helped found and became editor of the Journal of

HAROLD MARTIN GROSS "Hal"

Husband to Penny; father to David (Mary Burns), Sabra (Brian Weinkauf), and Pamela

grandfather to Matthew and Elizabeth. Phi

, 1935, New York, NY; d. Novem Innandale, VA

Employment Counseling. He has published over 120 articles, monographs and books and was book reviewer for the American Asand was block reviewer for the Annehadina-sociation for the Advancement of Science. He was a licensed psychologist (District of Columbia and Maryland). Later Dr. Ehrle worked as Washington Rep-reporterive for Johchan Companie Doval

resentative for Teledyne Economic Devel opment Co. He returned to academia as Director of Research Support for the George Washington University Business School and retired in 1989. He is a life member of Alpha Tau Omega fratornik, the Society for German America

fraternity, the Society for German Ameri-can Studies (SGAS) and the Military Officers Association and was a major contributor to research, library and student aid funds and to the German American Museum in Wash-

survivors include his wife of more than 50 years, Sally Allen Ehrle; son John; son Richyears, saily Alien Eine, son John, son Rich-ard of Virginia, his wife Kate and children Christian, Elisabeth and William. His mar-riage to Betty Turner ended in divorce. A grave site service will be held in Cochecton New York.

Donations may be made to the Ehrle Paramedic Scholarship at Anne Arundel Com munity College (AACC); address: AACC Foundation, 101 College Parkway, Arnold, MD 21012

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latelist; life-long Democrat.

Stanford University and School of Law. U.S. Army 1st Lieutenant in the military police. American Civil Liberties Union

Mid-Peninsula chapter; Vice Pres: NAACP Palo Alto-Stanford branch; Pres: Mountain View California Jaycees, Exec Dir: Oregon ACLU. Legislative Consultant to U.S. Senators Wayne Morse (D-Oregon), Ted Kennedy (D-Massachusetts), Alan Cranston (D-California)

Fairfax County Democratic Committee and Emeritus Member of the Mason District Democratic Committee.

A funeral service will be held at Demaine Funeral Home, 5308 Backlick Road, Spring-field, VA 22151, Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 12 p.m. followed by Interment at 2 p.m. at Fairfax Memorial Park, 9900 Braddock Road, Fairfax, VA 22032. Detailed obituary can be found at https://www.dignityme-morial.com/obituaries/springfield-va/har-old-gross-11520351

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## LINNETT MCCLURE GARBER

(Age 70) Linnette McClure Garber passed away on Linnette MCCIUre Garber passed away on November 1, 2023, at her home in Mont-gomery County, Maryland. Beloved wife of Randy Garber, Ioving mother of Cecily Garber (Ben Hsu), and Ioyal sister of Leslie Krasner (Robert), she is also survived by her two granddaughters, Linnea Hsu and Hopper Hsu. Linnette was born on March 8, 1953 in Boopville Missouri to Lee and Lu-1953, in Boonville, Missouri, to Lee and Lu-cille McClure, and was the second of three daughters. She earned her B.S. from Cen-tral Missouri State University and enjoyed friendships in her sorority, Alpha Omicron Pi, and was a member of the Marching Mules marching hand marching band.

Following graduation in 1975, she and Ran-dy were married and moved to St. Louis, and then in 1979 to Montgomery County, Maryland, where Cecily was born. Linnette

## **KELLY**

Clinic, and Neurology Fellowships. Dr. Kelly was Chief, Department of Neurology and Deputy Director, Cooper Neuro-logical Institute, Camden, NJ in 2011. There he founded the Neurological Institute and developed the neuromuscular and stroke programs

A cumination of his years of research, pub-lishing, and clinical teaching he achieved international recognition for his expertise in neuromuscular disorders. More important ly, John served as an inspiring mentor and teacher for countless medical students, res-idents, follows, and junior feasible. He rotized idents, fellows, and junior faculty. He retired from clinical practice at GWUMC as Professor Emeritus in 2016.

Soi Errieritus in 12016. After getting married on June 26, 1966, John and Patricia settled in Connecticut and in 1969 were thrilled at the birth of their daughter Moira and then 19 months later overjoyed with the birth of their second daughter Magan This borns a new checter

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Brigham and women's Hospital. John's family is grateful for the dedicated caregivers from the U.S. Veterans Affairs Department, Broad Reach Hospice, the ever-responsive Orleans Fire and Rescue, the Community of Jesus Brothers, and the Nauset Neighbors volunteers who helped make it possible for John to remain in the home he leved

Make it possible for John to Fernan in the home he loved. We will miss terribly our husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend. We will for-ever cherish the privilege of knowing him and receiving his love. In addition to his loving wife, John leaves behind his corring duratherer. Maire (Jamea)

es and nephews. He will also be missed by his brother and sisters-in-law, Dennis Walsh, Elizabeth Walsh, and Susan Walsh. John was predeceased by his brother-in-law James

Walsh. In honor of John, a Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, June 22, 2024 at 11 a.m. at St. Joan of Arc Church, 61 Canal Road, Orle-ans, MA 02653. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made payable to John J. Kelly ALS Clinic, MFA, Attn: Ellie Bayat, MD, George Washington University Medical Cen-ter, Neurology Department, 9th Floor, 2150 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20037. For online condolences, please visit www.nickersonfunerals.com

James Leigh Griffith passed away on Octo-ber 29, 2023, following an illness of recent months. The law was Leigh's passion. He helped clients grow their businesses from the start-up stage to billion-dollar corpo-rations. Transaction-oriented businesses, healthcare companies private equility firms. healthcare companies, private equity firms Limited Liability Companies (LLCs), and part-nerships relied on his counsel to structure Their has matters, which ranged from a few million dollars to over a billion. Colleagues and clients regularly turned to him for his deep knowledge of tax at the state and national levels as well as the intersection of nonprofit tax law, for-profit tax law, and healthcare regulatory law.

His background as a CPA contributed to groundbreaking legal work, including: creation of the first LLC in Tennessee; being named principal draftsman of the Tennes

HUGH LYNCH III Hugh Lynch III of North Potomac, Maryland, passed away on September 8, 2023, from complications due to Alzheimer's disease.

Hugh was born in Washington, DC and

Hugh was born in washington, DC and raised in Bethesda, MD. He was the second of five children born to Hugh and Barbara Lynch, both deceased. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Linda, and their children, Brendan (Abby) of Jacksonville, FL and Rea-gan of Seattle, WA. Hugh is also survived by his first spouse, Katy, and their children, Jen-birg Curry (beil) of Lacksonville, FL and Hugh

Ins first spouse, katy, and their children, Jeh-nifer Cury (Phil) of Jacksonville, FL and Hugh IV (Alissa) of Seattle, WA. He leaves behind five grandchildren, Dylan, Liam, Julia, Adam and Charlotte. He will be missed by all in-cluding his sister, Patricia Myers, his broth-ers, John (Peggy) and Bob (Karen), and his many nieces and nephews.

From an early age Hugh demonstrated exceptional abilities both athletically and academically. He attended Georgetown Preparatory School where he captained the football and tennis teams while playing varsity basketball in the winter. If his tennis match ended early and time nermitted he

match ended early and time permitted, he also ran track for the Hoyas. In his senior year he defeated Arthur Ashe in the finals

to win the Eastern Junior Tennis Champion-ship at the West Side Tennis Club in Forest Hills, Queens. His victory was prominently covered by the New York Times on the front

page of its sports section. Upon graduation, Hugh attended Princeton University where he contributed to the ex-traordinary success of the men's tennis team through his singles and doubles play. During his four years as a Tiger, the team was undefeated in match play winning 45 consecutive team matches. Among the many highlights of Hugh's tennis career was

many highlights of Hugh's tennis career was returning to Forest Hills after his freshman

page of its sports section.

He was 81.

Waller's managing partner over the last several years noted that Leigh "was the essence of our tax practice for more than four decades. I always enjoyed hearing Leigh move comfortably – in the same sen-tence- between some intricately complex the production of the collection of the same sentax-speak and a blunt colloquialism or two He was charming in that way. One always had to admire his intellect, but his kindness and gentleness is what I'll remember most. And of course, his hats."

He earned a B.A., magna cum laude, from The University of Virginia. He received his J.D. from Vanderbilt University Law School, and an LLM. from New York University. Leigh joined Ernst & Young in 1977 and joined Waller Lansden, now known as Hol-land & Knight, in 1981. Leigh was licensed to practice law in three boroughs of New York, Washington, DC, and Tennessee. Leigh was a licensed CPA in Tennessee. licensed CPA in Tennessee and Mississippi

A private family funeral is planned. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to a charity dear to your heart.

## LYNCH

year at Princeton to compete in the 1961 U.S. Open. Hugh graduated in 1964 with a degree in Politics, producing a thesis on the effect of television on the 1960 Presiden-tial election between John F. Kennedy and

enect of television on the 1960 Presiden-tial electron between John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon. His analysis was prescient, as television quickly became a dominant medium for electoral politics. After completing pre-med courses in 1965 at the Catholic University of America, Hugh was accepted to the School of Medicine at George Washington University. He chose not to attend, instead beginning a 40-plus-year career as a teacher and coach in Mont-gomery County, Maryland. Hugh took pride in his ability to teach almost any subject at the secondary level. He taught many history courses at Rockville High School during the 1970's and spent his last 20 years teaching mostly physics at Winston Churchill High School in Potomac. In the classroom, stu-dents looked forward to his entertaining style, balancing wit and self-deprecation with expertise. Outside the classroom, Hugh coached numerous state champions on the tennis courts of Maryland, including his three sons Hugh, Brendan and Reagan. For his coaching exploits, Hugh was honored to his coaching exploits, Hugh was honored to receive multiple Coach of the Year awards

receive multiple Coach of the Year awards from his peers in Montgomery County. Perhaps the highlight of Hugh's life for his sister Patty and his brothers John, Tom and Bob came in the 1961 National Father-Son Championship held at the Edgemoor Club in Bethesda. Hugh had honed his game at Edgemoor—just a quick walk across the street from his childhood home. Having played together successfully at the national level, Hugh and his father entered the con-test as the fourth seed. They defeated the top-seeded team in the semifinals and took the court on a steaming hot Sunday in front top-seeded team in the semifinals and took the court on a steaming hot Sunday in front of their hometown fans against the second seed, Chauncey Steele, Jr. and Chauncey III. Each Steele stood well over six feet tail and the pair were noted for their ferocious over-head shots. For a good portion of the match, the Lynches stayed on the defensive, wait-ing until the right opportunities presented themselves in the form of a crushing fore-hand from his father or a slicing backhand down the line from Hugh. To the absolute delight of Hugh's family and friends, the duo defeated the Steeles and won the national title in straight sets. title in straight sets.

A memorial service will be held at the Chap A memorial service will be held at the Chap-el of Our Lady of Lourdes on the George-town Preparatory School campus on Satur-day, November 25, at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations in Hugh's mem-ory may be made to the Cure Alzheimer's Fund at curealz.org. Online condolences may be expressed at:

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JOHN J. KELLY JR., MD

JOHN J. KELLY JR., MD Professor of Neurology, Mentor, Husband, Father, Grandfather - John J. Kelly, Jr., MD age 79, passed away peacefully in his home surrounded by his loving family on Friday, August 18, 2023. Beloved husband of 57 years to Patricia. John Joseph Kelly, Jr., MD was born in Provi-dence, RI on September 27, 1943, to Rhode Island natives John Joseph Kelly, Sr. and Do-ris Elizabeth Barlow. The family resided in West Warwick, RI for all of John's childhood.

West Warwick, Ri for all of John's childhood. John attended Deering High School where he excelled at academics as well as ath-letics throughout his four years. He was a consistent honor roll student and varsity let-terman in both football and baseball. After terman in both football and baseball. After high school, John enrolled at Brown Univer-sity and again excelled in pre-medical aca-demics while also playing football (fullback and linebacker) all four years and baseball his freshman and sophomore year. John was awarded The Rhodes Scholarship but instead enrolled in the Yale School of Medicine, where he graduated with honors

but instead enrolled in the Yale School of Medicine, where he graduated with honors in 1969. He completed his Internal Medi-cine Internship and residency at Yale-New Haven Medical Center before serving in the United States Public Health Service in 1971. As a physician in the USPHS, John was stationed at the Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Native American Reservation in Pop-lar, Montana. He provided medical care to Assiniboine and Sioux tribes for two years. In 1973, his service in the USPHS complet-ed, he was accepted into the Mayo Clinic Neurology residency program in Rochester, Neurology residency program in Rochester, Minnesota. Upon completing his neurology residency, he was awarded the Henry W. Woltman Award as the outstanding gradu-ating resident. He continued at Mayo with a Fellowship in Clinical and Electrodiagnostic Neurophysiology for one year with Dr Ed-

Fellowship in Clinical and Electrodiagnostic Neurophysiology for one year with Dr. Ed-ward Lambert. He was appointed to faculty as Assistant Professor of Neurology. In 1981, John became Associate Professor of Neurology and Director, Electromyog-raphy Laboratory at Tufts New England Medical Center in Boston. He was soon promoted to Full Professor and Head of the Neuromuscular section Neuromuscular section.

In 1991, he became the Chair of Neurology at The George Washington University Med-ical Center in Washington, DC. During his time there, he founded the GWU Neurolog-

ical Institute, the Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Clinic, the Multiple Sclerosis (MS)

A culmination of his years of research, pub-

daughter Megan. This began a new chapter of John's life as a father.

John had many passions in life. He was an avid reader, an expert in history, a deft poet, loved sports, baking bread and pies at the holidays. He enjoyed sailing, hunting, fishing and just being in nature with his hunting dog, Lady on his farm in Chestertown, MD. He especially loved being an ever-willing playmate and loving grandfather to his five

playmate and loving grandrather to his five grandchildren. John's educational legacy continues after his death as he chose to participate in the Brain Tissue Donation Program of the Ann Romney Center for Neurologic Disease at

behind his caring doughters: Moira (James) Scanlon and Megan Kelly Kossar (Charles Burgess), cherished grandchildren: John, James, Jude, Isabell, and David; brother and sisters: Peter (Lori) Kelly, Colleen Mellor (Paul Gates), and Sharon Kelly (Rick Marcotte) as well as many nieces, nephews, great-niec-

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## the U.S. Senate ultimately rising to become the Assistant Hearing Coordinator for the United States Senate's Foreign Relations Committee -- a job he loved for many years.

Mr. Bowman became a member of the Board of Directors of the United States Senate Federal Credit Union in 1975 which included two terms as Board Chair. On May 9, 2019, The Board of Directors dedicated new national headquarters building in

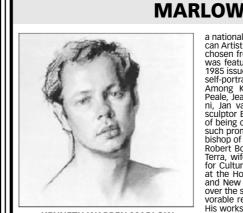
He was preceded in death by his wife, Elaine He was preceded in death by his wife, Elaine King Bowman, and daughter, Arnetta Bow-man. He leaves to cherish his loving mem-ory, six children, Gregory Bowman (Laura), Charlene Bowman-Smart, Wilbert "Sal" Bowman, Bertie "Benjie" Bowman (Nata-sha), Gloria Tetteh and LaUanah King-Cassell (Theodore); two brothers, Larry Bowman (Lisa) and Jimmy Bowman (Joyce); one sis-ter, Dorothy Floyd (Elis); 17 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild, and a host of other relatives and friends.

(Age 92) Peacefully passed away on Wednesday, Oc-tober 25, 2023. He was the longest-serving African American Congressional staff mem-ber on Capitol Hill with over 65 years of ser-vice. A proponent of unconditional kindness, he's formed many enduring friendshine riends Visitation will be held from 9 a.m., until "Cel Visitation will be field from 9 a.m., until Cel-ebration of Life" at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, No-vember 7, 2023, at Evangel Cathedral Heav-en Gates Sanctuary, 13901 Central Avenue, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774. Live Stream: https://evangelcathedral.net/ embedded-video-of-latest-message. Interment Lincoln Memorial Cemetery. Ser-vices by Henry S Washington & Sons he's formed many enduring frier throughout his career on Capitol Hill. friendships

DOWNEY

By the mid - 1950's, Bowman had estab-lished himself as a jack-of-all trades around the Capitol. With each step, Bowman's "can-do" attitude turned him into a mentor, ad-vocate, community leader and even a pub-lished author. Bowman held several jobs in

**BERTIE H. BOWMAN** 



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## **KENNETH WARREN MARLOW**

Kenneth Warren Marlow passed away or Sunday, October 22, 2023, in Alexandria, Vir ginia at the age of 63. Ken was born in Texas and raised in an

Air Force family, moving every few years throughout the United States and abroad. At throughout the United states and abroad. At an early age, his parents recognized his ar-tistic talent, enrolling him at age 12 in an art class at an art supply store in Dayton, Ohio. Within months he was teaching the adults in the class and going to art shows to sell his works. Ken began studying with figurative painter Danni Dawson in Arlington, Virginia while in bird school in Alexandria. At age while in high school in Alexandria. At age 16, he did one of several apprenticeships with the world-renowned portraitist Nelson Shanks in Pennsylvania and studied drawing with Frank Wright of George Washington

With Frank Wright of George Washington University. Ken received a BA in History of Art from Yale University in December 1982. During his last year at Yale, he had an exhibition of twelve of his paintings and charcoal drawings at the Mississippi Museum of Art. This show brought him critical acclaim and several por-trait commissions and from there his career blossomed Unon graduation he moved to blossomed. Upon graduation, he moved to Jackson, Mississippi to be near his parents Jackson, Mississippi to be hear his parents where he worked on portrait commissions and still lifes. He later moved to the Wash-ington, DC area where he became an inte-gral part of the Washington art community. In 1985 Ken won the Best of Show prize in

a national competition sponsored by Ameria flational competition sponsored by Anter-can Artist magazine. His oil self-portrait was chosen from among 6,000 contestants and was featured on the front page of the July 1985 issue. The charcoal drawing above is a self-portrait from early in his career. Among Ken's influences were Raphaelle Peale, Jean-Simeon Chardin, Pietro Annigo-

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Peale, Jean-Simeon Chardin, Pietro Annigo-ni, Jan van Huysum, Giorgio Morandi and sculptor Bruno Lucchesi. He had the honor of being commissioned to paint portraits of such prominent figures as former Episcopal bishop of the United States John Allin, Judge Robert Bork for the Bork family and Judith Terra, wife of the U.S. Ambassador-at-large for Cultural Affairs, Daniel Terra. His shows at the Hollis Taggart Gallery in Washington and New York and in various other venues over the span of his career received very fa-vorable reviews and were usually sold out. His works are in many important public and His works are in many important public and private art collections and a still life painting

private art collections and a still life painting by Ken is in the permanent collection of the Mississippi Museum of Art in Jackson. Ken loved to teach and help others to hone their artistic talent. He taught for several years at the Torpedo Factory Art Center in Alexandria and tutored many private stu-dents who went on to have their own suc-cassful careers. He was a truly difted figuracessful careers. He was a truly gifted figura-tive and still life artist whose paintings are characterized by their exceptional realism and attention to color and detail.

and attention to color and detail. When he was not painting, Ken enjoyed savoring the finest of culinary delights and listening to music. He treasured the com-pany and friendship of others. As his health declined over the past several years due to a stroke, these relationships kept his spir-its lifted. He truly had a zest for life that we should all emulate. His genius will live on through the paintings and drawings that he shared with so many of us. May he rest in peace. peace

Ken is preceded in death by his parents, Col. Louis Gene and Carolyn Flowers Marlow. He is survived by his brother, Dr. Robert Bruce Marlow (Linda) in Huntsville, Alabama; nieces Amanda Berry (Blake) and Olivia Wells (Michael) and great-niece Emma Wells and great-nephew Lane Wells. No funeral is planned; a celebration of his life may be held in the spring. In lieu of flow-ers, Ken requested that donations be made to the Elton John AIDS Foundation.

ecame a member of the Maryland Bar on

became a member of the Maryland Bar on September 6, 1961. In October 1961, he began working at the General Counsel's Office in the United States Department of Agriculture. In February 1966, he joined the Department of Justice where he worked for 18 years, including working on the Organized Crime Strike Forces in Detroit and Cleveland. He became the Chief of the Organized Crime Section in Washington, DC in November 1976 and served in that posi-tion for almost two and a half years. He was one of the original twelve inspectors gener-al appointed by President Jimmy Carter on April 1, 1979, to be IG of the General Services Administration. President Ronald Reagan removed 16 Inspectors General, including removed 16 Inspectors General, including Mr. Muellenberg in January 1981. Mr. Muel-lenberg then returned to the Department of Justice to serve as the Criminal Division's first Senior Litigation Counsel for Internation-al Law Enforcement stationed in Europe. In that canacity be assisted the terrorist investhat capacity, he assisted the terrorist inves-tigations following the seizure of the Achille Lauro cruise ship and a discotheque bomb-ing in Partin.

Latto cruise ship and a disconeque bomb-ing in Berlin. After retiring from the Department of Justice in December 1987, Mr. Muellenberg served as the Court Appointed Monitor under two consent decrees entered in the United States District Court for the District of New Larger the conred as Court Appointed Moni-Jersey. He served as Court Appointed Moni-tor from 1995 until 2000 under a consent de-cree to eliminate any organized crime influ-ence in the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union and under a second consent decree from 2000 until a second consent decree from 2000 until 2006 involving an organized crime dominat-ed local union in the Meadowlands Sports Complex. In 2006, Mr. Muellenberg was nominated to receive the Henry E. Petersen Memorial Award which is bestowed on those who have made a lasting contribution to the Criminal Division and exemplify character, diligence courage corfessionalism and tal-Criminal Division and exemplify character, diligence, courage, professionalism, and tal-ent. Mr. Muellenberg was passionate about the law and justice, and continued to serve on the Public Review Board of UNITE HERE until early this year. Mr. Muellenberg was predeceased by his first wife, Consuelo Garcia-Quant, their mid-dle son, Kurt D Muellenberg, as well as his second wife Susan Pearce, with whom he



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JOHN BRAIDWOOD SAVAGE III ARCHITECT AND ADVOCATE John Savage was born on May 26, 1946 in Grand Island, Nebraska, and died on October 27, 2023 from cancer. John spent most of his life in Alexandria. After obtaining his architecture degree from the University of Virginia, he worked for various design firms in the DC area. In the 80s, John opened his

own firm in Old Town Alexandria. In addition own tirm in Oid Town Alexandria. In addition to individual home renovation and commer-cial projects, John designed home rehabili-tation projects for the Alexandria Office of Housing. He was the principal architect for Safe Haven – a transitional housing and supportive services program for chronical-ly homeless individuals with mental health issues. Through his work, John advocated issues. Through his work, John advocated for many clients to improve the livability and safety of existing homes and public buildings. He also worked on projects to behalities chandread experting later. buildings. He also worked on projects to rehabilitate abandoned properties in Alex-andria, and to help Alexandria have a mix of housing options that meet the needs of all residents.

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all residents. John is survived by his wife Norma Faddoul Savage and son William Faddoul Savage, and his sister Helen Savage. He loved his family and always made time to spend with them outside his work.

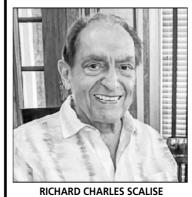
outside his work. On November 6 a visitation will be held from 10 to 12 Noon, and a memorial service at 1 p.m. at Everly-Wheatley Funeral Home, 1500 W. Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA. Inter-ment will follow at Mt. Comfort Cemetery, 6600 S Kings Hwy., Alexandria, VA. An In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Amer-ican Cancer Society at donate.cancer.org are appreciated.

are appreciated.

he became a successful real estate attorney who established one of the largest title com-panies in Northern Virginia. His true passion was horses though – which he owned and raced at local tracks in the 1970s and 80s

raced at local tracks in the 1970s and 80s and continued to follow until his passing. He also loved cooking, helping others, and tell-ing a good story. His big laugh, wide grin and twinkle in the eye endeared him to friends and strangers alike. He possessed a genuine

## SCALISE



RICHARD CHARLES SCALISE (Age 78) Passed away peacefully on November 1, 2023, with his children by his side, after a brief illness. Born in Erie, PA, in 1945, he moved to Washington, DC, to attend George-town University ('67) and then worked his way through Catholic Law ('70) as one of Clyde's first bartenders. Hospitality proved more attractive than law, and he moved to New York City after law school where he tended bar at the legendary Maxwell's Plum. He hung up his bartending shoes in 1973 and settled back in the DC area where

CHARLES AYERS SCHNEIDER

son Schneider, passed away on Monday, October 23, 2023 at the age of 78. Born in New York, NY on October 3, 1945, he would

grow to become a scholar, philosopher, Navy

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DONALD RAYMOND STONE

MARCH 6, 1938 ~ OCTOBER 30, 2023 Resided in Oakton and Fairfax, Virginia

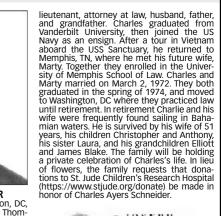
Charles Ayers Schneider of Washington the son of John Thomas and Sarah

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and strangers alike. He possessed a genuine interest in others which was reflected in his favorite saying, "We are all Children of God." He was dedicated to many worthy causes – including So Others May Eat (SOME) and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) where he was formerly the Washington, DC area president. Spending time with family and friends brought him the greatest joy in life - whether attending kids' games, going on trips or gathering for a good meal. Richard was predeceased by his parents (Frank and Ann) and sister (Maria). He is survived by his children Maria (Chris Kelly), Nikolas (Michelle) and Anthony, and four granddaughters (Sophia, Ava, Lyla and Tes-sa).

Visitation will be held at 10:15 a.m. with a Mass of Christian Burial to follow at 11 a.m. on Friday, November 10 at St. Luke Catholic Church in McLean, VA. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests that donations may be made to www.some.org.

## **SCHNEIDER**



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### MORTIMER L. DOWNEY III

MORTIMER L. DOWNEY III Mortimer L. Downey, III, transportation leg-end, community activist, and public servant died at the Oakton Sunrise Committee in Fairfax, VA on November 2, 2023. Charac-teristically, he moved himself there when he learned he had pulmonary fibrosis six years ago. Supported by family and friends including the whole team at Sunrise, Mort continued engaging in local politics advising

including the whole team at Sunrise, Mort continued engaging in local politics, advising on transportation, and continuing his educa-tion with Yale til the end of his life. While public service in transportation per-sonified Downey's 65 year career, Mort said Downey said the public sector was not "was not my original choice. Linterviewed with every bank and financial institution that was recruiting at Yale that year and none made an offer.That Instead Downey joined the Port of New York (now known as the Port of New York New Jersey), immersed himself in the theory and the process of management and operations.

Writing a paper on Robert Moses, Downey gained insight into power of reading every document – legislation, testimony, contract, or transcript and of knitting them together policy and projects the alex come to urder cies and projects. He also came to under-stand those processes need to be redefined to address equity and accountability. It is no surprise that paper and a course in Federal Budgeting and Financial Management be-came cornerstones in his 65 year career in transportation

transportation. Mort actually started in transportation as a high school senior. Set to work maintenance as a summer job, he was recommended to take over as sailing instructor in Bermuda for one of the faculty at Andover. Previously mostly a dry-land experience, Mort briefed his students and got them on the water quickly. A tactic he employed dozens of times with transportation leaders to be over the years. the vears

Born on August 9, 1936 to Mortimer L



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From there he joined the U.S. Department of Transportation where he became its first Assistant Secretary for budget. He then returned to New York where he served as Executive Director and CFO of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) for 12 years. His capital programs and new public and private financing were key to re-building the system, extending service, and even facilitating the opening of the 2nd Ave-nue Subway in 2017. For eight years, Mr. Downey held the posi-tion of U.S. Deputy Secretary of Transpor-tation in the Clinton Administration. As the Department's chief operating officer, Mr.

Department's chief operating officer, Mr Develop developed the agency's strategic plans and had program responsibilities for operations, regulation, and investments in land, sea, air and space transportation. He also served on the President's Management Council, Chairman of the National Science and Technology. Council's Committee on and Technology Council's Committee on Technology, as a member of the Trade Pro-motion Coordinating Council and member of the Board of Directors of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak). Mr. Downey led the Obama Presidential Transition team for the Opepartment of Trans-portation In 2010 the Obama administration portation. In 2010 the Obama administration appointed him as the first Federal member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board and he served as the Board Chairman during 2015, leaving the Board in

2016. For more than two decades after leaving For more than two decades after leaving DOT, Mort Downey was the go-to advisor for public agencies including New Jersey Transit, Metropolitan Transportation Com-mission, Chicago Transit Authority, WMATA, the Virginia Rail Express, Transport for Lon-don and the Panama Canal Authority in the also consulted on technology and innova-tion issues on infrastructure and automa-tion.

His legacy includes mentoring and champi-oning dozens of transportation leaders in the public and private sector in the United States and globally. He was a talent spotter who connected people and jobs, work he which earned him National Member of the Year Award from the Women's Transporta

Year Award from the Women's Transporta-tion Seminar. This fall the Eno Foundation established the Mortimer L. Downey III Memorial Fellowship Program, adding to his litany of awards and recognition. This program will let former and outgoing Deputy Secretaries help future De-partmental COOS get a leg up in the man-agement and governance roles of the DOT. Among his other honors were election to the National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA) and recognition with the Transporta-tion Research Board's Frank Turner Lifetime Achievement award the American Society Achievement award, the American Society of Public Administration's Truitt Award for transportation management, the W. Graham Claytor Award for contributions to intercity passenger rail, lifetime achievement awards from the Eno Transportation Foundation, American Public Transportation Association American Public Transportation Association Anierical Public transportation Association, the Council of University Transportation Centers, the International Leadership Award from the Intelligent Transportation Society of America and the National Member of the Year Award from the Women's Transporta-tion Compare tion Seminar. He was predeceased by his wife Joyce, with He was predeceased by his Wife Joyce, With whom he celebrated 51 years of marriage and his brother, Peter M. Downey. He is survived by his two sons and their wives, Stephen and Abby (Alenstein) Downey of Long Island, New York and Chris and Sylvie (Carrier) Downey of Chatham New Jersey; five grandchildren and two step grandchildren from Jonathan Downey. Michael Downey Alexander Downey, Michael Downey, Alexander Downey, Addysen Downey, Hailey Downey, Holly Langehennig, Ray-mond Langehennig, and two nieces Caitlin Downey of Chicago and Sarah C. Downey Kelley, Ireland. A memorial service will be held at a future date. Memorial Donations may be made Mortimer L Downey III Memorial Fellowship at the Eno Foundation or the Coast Guard Guard Museum or the charity of your choice.



Services Administration, died peacefully on July 30, 2023, in Washington, D.C. He was 91 years old. Mr. Muellenberg was born on January 6, 1932, in Jena, East Germany. When the U.S. Army was approaching Jena in the Spring of 1945, Mr. Muellenberg's Comman-dant, age 15, ordered Kurt, age 13, to join the local Hitler Youth cadre to go fight the Americans. Kurt's mother countermanded the order, perhaps, saving his life, saying: "Go to your room. I've lost a husband to this war. I'm not going to lose a son."

## **MUELLENBERG**



KURT WILLY MUELLENBERG Kurt Willy Muellenberg, the former Chief of the United States Department of Justice's Organized Crime Section, former Chief of the Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Section, and former Inspector General of the General Services Administration, died peacefully on

The body periods is a husband to this war. I'm not going to lose a son." When World War II ended, Jena was in the Russian Zone and subsequently part of the German People's Democratic Republic, the communist East German state. After a Rus-sian Lieutenant informed Mr. Muellenberg, then age 17 that he would never be permit-ted to attend a university because of his par-ticipation in a high school prank in the 1949 May Day parade, his mother urged him to escape. Under cover of darkness, Mr. Muel-lenberg and a friend sought to cross a defor-ested heavily guarded area along American Zone border. Mr. Muellenberg made it, but his friend did not. Mr. Muellenberg emigrat-ed from West Germany to the United States

Born on August 9, 1936 to Morniner L. Downey, Jr. and Elizabeth Carlin Downey, he grew up in Connecticut and Massachusetts. After finishing high school as a scholarship student at Andover Academy, he attended Yale University receiving a B.A. in Political Science in 1958. The exemplar of lifetime learning ME Deuronucarrad his macters do Science in 1958. The exemplar of lifetime learning Mr. Downey earned his masters de-gree in Public Administration from New York University and completed the Advanced Management Program at the Harvard Busi-ness School, and continued online courses at Yale Alumni Program until this October. After college, Mort moved to New York City where he began service as an officer in the United States Coast Guard Reserve. In 1962, he married Lavoc (1929, to 2012) and thou he married Joyce (1938 to 2013) and they moved between New York, Connecticut and Virginia over the course of their 51 years of marriage. Mort served in a variety of transmarriage. Mort served in a variety of trans-portation roles including serving a record breaking eight years as Deputy Secretary of Transportation and Joyce worked as a physical therapist at that time. Mort lived in Northern Virginia for the last 31 years. Mort led by example in his commitment to informed public service. His curiosity and knowledge about all things transportation was legion. From the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey Mort and Joyce moved

York and New Jersey, Mort and Joyce moved to Washington, DC in 1977 he to become the first multi-modal transportation analyst with the newly established U.S. House of Repre-

his friend did not. Mr. Muellenberg emigrat-ed from West Germany to the United States in 1952. He would not see his mother, two brothers and a sister again--all left behind in East Germany—for decades. In 1952 and 1953, he worked as a laborer for Western Electric Co. in Buffalo, NY. From 1953 to 1957, he served in the United States Air Force and was sworn in as a naturalized United States citizen on February 12, 1954. He began taking courses at the University of Maryland when he was stationed at Andrews Air Force Base and continued his education Air Force Base and continued his education at Maryland and at the University of Mary land Law School after completing his military service. He graduated from the University of Maryland Law School in June 1961 and

spent over 25 years traveling the world. He is survived by his older sister Hilda, two sons, Kenneth and Erik, as well as his three grand-bildeor kurst revel and being children, Kurt, Trey, and Paige. No services are scheduled at this time

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memo-ry can be made to The Yellow Ribbon Fund, a veteran service organization successful and the service organization successful and the service of the servic veteran service organization supporti tary families facing medical crisis.



**PRIDGEN** 

1973 he moved to Washington, DC where In 1973 he moved to Washington, DC where he decided to make a dramatic career change and entered the travel profession, becoming a travel agent for the next 43 years. His career as a travel agent proved ideally suited to his social personality, his early fascination with geography, and his remarkable memory for names and plac-es. He travelled extensively around the globe (Jim estimated he had been to Europe more than 25 times) and became a well an more than 75 times) and became a well-ap preciated travel consultant in Washington political, legal, media, and cultural circles, providing his distinguished clients with per-sonalized travel experiences and his travel

Arthur A Warren, who became his life-long partner and, eventually, husband. Most of their life together was spent in an historic 1914 town house in DC's Kalorama neigh-borhood which they restored and filled over the years with a collection of antiques and fine art. In addition to travel, one of their fine art. In addition to travel, one of their other passions together was attending and supporting theater, in particular Signature Theatre of Arlington VA. Jim was a long-time member of Foundry United Methodist church and was particularly appreciative of its music program, which he generously supported

Jim was a devoted uncle to his nephews Franklin (Amy) and Windham (Tara) Pridger of Atlanta and took great pride in their ac complishments and those of his great neph ews and nieces, Andrew, Alden, Ruthanna, Mamie Carroll, Ford, and Henry. He had the Mamie Carroll, Ford, and Henry. He had the capacity for strong and deep relationships and brought great joy to his many friends with his wit and kindness and thoughtful friendship. His passion for good food, nur-tured by his mother's skill and love of cook-ing, inspired many great dining experiences and enduring memories among his circle of friends and acquaintances.

In his last year, jim battled ALS heroically and with incredible grace. He was an inspi-ration to all who knew him. His candor and bravery and continued interest in their lives allowed his many friends to surround him with love and admiration and tenderness. Jim's journey with ALS was greatly eased by the care he received from his home health aides, in particular Pedro Martinez who be-came his devoted and trusted companion through the difficult last months of his life. Jim will be greatly missed. He is survived by his devoted husband, his nephews and their

families, and by numerous friends. A memorial service will be held at Foundry UMC, 1500 16th Street NW, Washington DC 20036, at 11:30 a.m. on November 18, 2023.

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Donald Raymond Stone died on October 30, 2023, at age 85. He was the son of Donald M. Stone and June (Graffenberger) Stone and grew up in Waukesha, Wisconsin. Don attended the University of Wisconsin. Madi-son where he competed as a collegiate diver and earned degrees that were conferred with honors by the College of Letters and colleagues with experienced advice. In 1985, he met the love of his life, attorney

SUE COLMAN JONES SWISHER Sue Colman Jones Swisher once described her life as "unremarkable," but she was remarkable to those who knew, admired and markable to mose who knew, admired and loved her. Her achievements, like for many women of her generation, were as a wife, mother, and community builder. While on the introverted side, she drew people to her with her kindness, empathy, and quick, sardonic with Her quict domoster beload a sardonic wit. Her quiet demeanor belied a strong will which she applied to the issues she felt mattered most. The daughter of Edward (Ned) and Edna Jones, she was raised in Rowayton and Wilton, CT, was co-valedictorian of her

ALLISON DEANS WELLS

"Al" (Age 93) Allison "Al" Deans Wells of Ashburn, VA passed away peacefully on October 26, 2023. Born on February 2, 1930, in Wilson, NC, Al was a beloved and husband, father

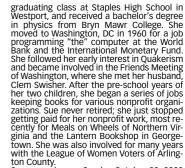
After graduating from Duke University, he served in the US Army during the Korean War. He later returned to Duke for a Mas-ters degree where he met his wife Margaret

and grandfather.

company, holding both legal and corporate positions. In 1987, Don and family moved to the Washington, DC area where he engaged in the private practice of law and focused on medical device matters. Don enjoyed on medical device matters. Don enjoyed the arts, travel, nature, and photography. He was an active volunteer in his church and community, filling roles that ranged from leadership positions with his church and several charities to a meal preparer for a local daytime drop in homeless shelter. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Doro-thy (Tetzlaff) Stone; sons Randall and Brian Stone and their families; and his sister, Lynn Lang. He was dearly loved by his grandchil-dren: Maddy, Peter, Anna, Cate, and Teddy. A Celebration of Don's Life will be held on Saturday, November 11, at 11 a.m. at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Comforter, 543 Beulah Rd. NE, Vienna, VA. In lieu of flow-ers, donations can be made to the Church of the Holy Comforter General Endowment Fund (https://onrealm.org/ChurchTheHoly-Co74330/-/form/give/now) or the University of Wisconsin Foundation's Donald R. Stone L&S Dean's Discretionary Fund (https:// the arts, travel, nature, and photography. He L&S Dean's Discretionary Fund (https:// secure.supportuw.org/give/). Online guest book available at:

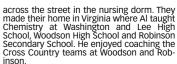
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## **SWISHER**



Sue passed away Sunday October 29, 2023 as a result of cancer, at age 85, attended by family members and embraced by her community at Goodwin House Bailey's Cross-roads her home in Fairfax County, VA for the last 15 years. She is survived by her brother Joel Jones of Wilton, CT, son Carl Swish-er (and wife Rhonda) of Wildwood, MO, daughter Janet Swisher (and husband Jason Rosenblum) of Austin, TX, several grandchil-dren, and a great-grandchild. There will be a memorial gathering in the near future at Goodwin House, Falls Church, VA. Memorial gifts may be made to Meals on Wheels of Northerr Virginia (https://mealsonwheelsarmunity at Goodwin House Bailey's Cross Northern Virginia (https://mealso lington.com/donate/).

## WELLS



When he wasn't enlightening young minds, Al could be found perfecting his swing on the golf course, cheering on the Redskins and Duke Blue Devils or simply basking in the joy of being a doting grandparent. He had a zest for life that was infectious and a sense of humor that could light up any

In the game of life, AI had an unbeatable team by his side. He leaves behind his adoring wife of 67 years, Margaret Wells, his chil-dren, Allyson Wells Bakewell (Hughes) of Birmingham, MI, Brenda Wells Crafton of Oak Hill, VA, and Sylvia Wells Charton of Oak Hill, VA, and Sylvia Wells Chmelko (Mark) of Manassas, VA, and eight grandchildren who were his pride and joy. Al was preceded in death by his brother, William Miles Wells, and his parents, Ruth Deans and William Miles Wells.

Although Al's journey has come to an end, his memory will forever be cherished. A cel-ebration of his life will be held on November 11, at 11 a.m. at Fairfax United Methodist Church, where he was a member and usher for many years.

## LENAHAN ple person and good listener, Diane loved



**DIANE MARIE LENAHAN** Lenahan, Diane Marie, beloved wife, moth-er, grandmother, sister and friend passed er, grandmore, site and menu passed away on October 29, 2023, at the age of 81 surrounded by the love of family and her caregiver. Diane leaves a legacy of love and affection for all the world, and a legendary smile that would light up a room. She was an educator and an active member of her community. Diane was born and raised on community. Diane was born and raised on Staten Island, New York where she met and married the love of her life, John Lenahan. She attended Brooklyn College at the age of 16 where she was the first to graduate in her family with a degree in Elementary Edu-cation. In the early years of her marriage to John, she supported him by teaching while he attended St. John's Law School. Eventu-ally, the two moved to Fairfax County, Vir-ginia where they raised their two daughters, Suzanne and Jacqueline and resided for 48 years. She was a dedicated mother who spent many early morning weekends taking her delicious fried chicken and potato salad. community. Diane was born and raised or her delicious fried chicken and potato salac

As a fun spirited grandmother, she thrived on experiences versus gifts, taking the grandchildren on trips and adventures. For over twenty years, Diane had a suc-cessful career with Fairfax County Public Cabaola While working ful time Diane Schools. While working full time, Diane completed masters' programs in education and counseling. She started working in the middle schools at Robinson Secondary School where she taught and was a guid-ance counselor. Diane later moved on to become the Guidance Director at Bryant In-termediate School then on to Hawfield Sec. become the Guidance Director at Bryant In-termediate School, then on to Hayfield Sec-ondary as the Director of Student Services and Sub-School Principal, where she retired in 1998. Diane had a special gift working with young people, becoming a role model to many who knew her. Former students often came up to the family saying she was their favorite or how much they loved her. Upon retirement, Diane embarked on a new goal in real estate eventually opening up goal in real estate, eventually opening up her own firm, Wolf Run Realty in Clifton, Vir-ginia as the Principal Broker. Always a peo-

pie person and good listener, blane loved working with her real estate clients, and she prided herself on delivering first class service to everyone who walked in her door. Diane was a lifelong learner who never lost her curiosity about the world. In her retire-ment years, Diane relished traveling the world with John to many places, including Central America, South America, Europe, Africa, and India. She trekked in Patagonia and skied in the Alos. The two had many Africa, and India. She trekked in Patagonia and skied in the Alps. The two had many wonderful adventures together and Diane said, when it came to John, she didn't just marry well, she married best. Diane was gregarious, fun Ioving, and she never shied away from making herself, or others laugh. She loved taking trips with good friends, es-pecially her hiking trips to far flung locations with the "Walkers and Talkers." Diane was a gourmet cook and hosted countless dinner parties and large holiday gatherings at their home in Clifton, Virginia. To Diane, every-one was a potential friend, and she had a reputation within the family for striking up a conversation with a perfect stranger and inviting her new friends to join the family for a conversation with a perfect stranger and inviting her new friends to join the family for Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner. In later years, Diane and John enjoyed boating and taking overnight trips on the Potomac Riv-er with their five grandchildren. Never one to sit still, Diane stayed active with power walks with friends, book clubs, social clubs and volunteer work as a drozent for Gurston

walks with friends, book clubs, social clubs and volunteer work as a docent for Gunston Hall until her Alzheimer's disease robbed her of the ability to continue engaging in these activities. Despite the heartbreaking progression of Alzheimers, Diane kept her sweet, jovial dis-position to the end. She greeted everyone with a beautiful smile and a mischievous wink or head pod. She was a jov with evwith a beautiful smile and a mischievous wink or head nod. She was a joy with ev-eryone she came in contact with, and her presence is profoundly missed. Diane tru-ly leaves the world a better place. Diane is survived by her devoted and loving husband of 60 years, John Lenahan; her children Suzanne (George) and Jacqueline (Chad); and her five grandchildren Andrew, Irish, Caroline, Anna Kate and Wyatt. She is also survived by her sister Eileen (Kevin), brother Jim (Ginger); and her brothers-in-law Robert (Lee) and Michael (Helen). She was preced-ed in death by her parents, Blanche and Jim (Lee) and Michael (Helen). She was preced-ed in death by her parents, Blanche and Jim Costello. The family is especially grateful for the support of Diane's compassionate care-givers, especially, Shelia Dantzler and also Volanda Wilkins. A funeral mass will be held at St. Bridget's Catholic Church in Richmond VA, on November 10 at 11 a.m. followed by a reception at Salisbury Country Club. A cel-ebration of life memorial service and recep-tion will be held in Northern Virginia on De-cember 2. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to The Georgetown University Medical Center Giving Memory Disorders Program or the Alzheimer's Asso-

Disorders Program or the Alzheimer's Asso-ciation. Online condolences may be offered to the family at affinityfuneralservice.com in Richmond, VA

## JAMES M. PRIDGEN "Jim" James (Jim) M. Pridgen, a well-known travel agent in Washington, DC died peacefully in his husband's arms at home on October 9, 2023 surrounded by his nephews and close friends. The cause of death was complica-tions from Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)

(ALS) Jim was born on September 24, 1945, the Jim was born on September 24, 1945, the younger of two sons of N. Frank Pridgen & Minnie Woods Pridgen. Jim grew up in Do-than AL, which was known as the peanut capital of the world. His father was a found-er of Dothan's National Peanut Festival, which continues to this day. From an early age Jim demonstrated an interest in art, and studied for years with Dothan's "Attic Paint-ers" enjoying some local renown in Dothan studied for years with Dothan's "Attic Paint ers," enjoying some local renown in Dothan junior art circles. He was voted "most tal-ented" in his class when he graduated from Dothan High School in 1963. After one year at Birmingham's Samford University, he transferred to Auburn University where he studied industrial and graphic design and was an active member of Pi Kappa Al-pha social fraternity. During his collegiate summers, Jim worked at a series of national parks around the country, his first experi-ence at what would become his personal and professional passion, travel. He credence at what would become his personal and professional passion, travel. He cred-ited these summer jobs with exposing him to cultures outside the American south and expanding his horizons literally and figura-tively. After receiving his BFA from Auburn in 1968, Jim worked as a graphic designer in advertising, first in Nashville and then for three years in New Orleans. He always con-cidered his time in New Orleans are proort. sidered his time in New Orleans as import ant formative years where he nurtured an indelible love of fine food, architecture, and historic preservation, all of which became life-long passions.

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After Carl died in 1991 she undertook service projects in Malawi, Croatia, and Tan-zania. A school dormitory in rural Tanzania is named for her. She also went to clown school and a new persona, Bubbles the school and a ne Clown, was born. Olive was born in St. Paul, MN, on December 13, 1920, to Otto and Myrtle Foerster. She graduated from St. Paul Central High School at 15 and entered the University of Minneso-ta to study chemical engineering. After be-ing told by an advisor that as a woman she would not be employable in that field, she graduated at 19 with a mathematics degree.

Olive found love again late in life and was married to Ed Alo in December 2001. To-gether they led the computer center at Sherwood Oaks and enjoyed several trips abroad.

Throughout her long life, Olive served as an example to all who knew her. She was sweet, kind, generous, and gentle but pas-sionate in her fight for justice and equality, and relentless in the quest for peace. Along with instilling and modeling her values, she also passed on her great love of baseball to those around her

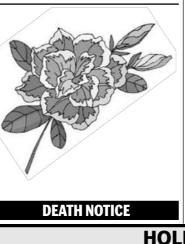


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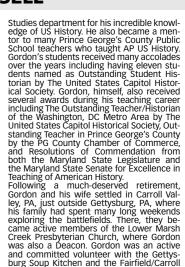
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September 29,1951. She raised four chil



## tion Thursday, November 9, from 9 a.m. to hour of service 11 a.m. at the Mt. Pleasant Baptst Church, 215 Rhode Island NW, Interment Lincoln Memorial Cemetery. Ser by Bianchi. HOLDEN

to Helen (Silsbee) and MG Albert Pierson. to Helen (Silsbee) and MG Albert Pierson. She graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School and Holton Arms Junior College, Washington, DC, and Cameron University, Lawton, OK. Sallie was predeceased by her husbands LT Hervé P. Cauchon, USN; COL Robert N. Hulley, USA; and CAPT William H. Holden, Jr. USN. She is survived by her chil-dren; Albert Hulley (Sue), Paul Hulley (Rhon-da), Kathy Hulley, Margaret Cronin (Tom) and Bob Hulley (Julie); and stepchildren Bill Holden (Jica), Chris Holden (Ørshara), Sarah And Bob Hulley (utile), and stepchildren Bil Holden (Lisa), Chris Holden (Barbara), Sarah Defnet (Mike), and Peter Holden, 25 grand-children and seven great-grandchildren. Sallie was a warm, engaging person who made special friends everywhere she went. She will be remembered at a Celebration of Life at the view, 5000 Fairbanks Ave. Alex-andria, VA, on November 11, at 11 a.m. Sallie will be buried in Arlington National Ceme-tery next to husband Bill at a later date. Please consider a donation to your favorite charity in Sallie's memory. https://www.everlywheatley.com/trib-utes/Sallie-Holden



and committed volunteer with the Gettys-burg Soup Kitchen and the Fairfield/Carroll Valley Meals on Wheels program for over 20 years. Living in Pennsylvania also helped forge Gordon's love of the area's many ap-ple orchards; he and Barbara even building their new retirement home in an old apple orchard. Naturally, Gordon became an annie their new retirement home in an old apple orchard. Naturally, Gordon became an apple expert, and they became his calling card, always gifting baskets of his favorite, often obscure heirloom varieties, to his friends and family regularly throughout the season. Gordon was predeceased by his parents, his beloved wife, Barbara Ann (Finger) Russell and his dear brother, Don Russell. He is sur-vived by brothers, Stanley Russell and Paul (Mary) Russell, sister-in-law Gina Sarcone Russell; daughter, Shannon (Joe) Bowman of Highlands, NC and son, Shawn (Imelda) Russell of Chevy Chase, MD; as well as two wonderful grandchildren, Rian and Camer-

or highlands, NC and son, Shawn (imelda) Russell of Chevy Chase, MD; as well as two wonderful grandchildren, Rian and Camer-on, niece, Kathryn Russell (Greg Boyington) and great-nephews, Sam and Miles. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on December 2, 2023 at Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church, 1865 Knoxlyn Road, Gettysburg, PA. A private graveside service and interment will be at the church cem-etery at a later date. Friends may call at the church following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church Cemetery Restoration Fund, 1865 Knoxlyn Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325 or to the Human Rights Campaign, 1640 Rhode Island Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20036. Gordon will be missed beyond measure by his family, friends, and teaching colleagues. He was a very good man, a wonderful father and grandfather, a brilliant educator and his-torian, and a lover of all sports...and apples. He loved the apples. May he rest in peace.



Olive once stated that her four passions in life were "racial equality, peace and non-vi-olence, ecumenism and baseball," She olence, ecumenism and baseball." She participated in many civil rights demon-strations and peace actions, including the 1963 March on Washington and the 1965 Selma march. She and Carl visited the So-viet Union on peace missions four different times. Olive traveled with a bridge-building group of Church Women United throughout Africa, and, near the end of the Vietnam War, ware in a small becomerking delegation to Amica, and, heat the end of the vietnam war, was in a small peacemaking delegation to Southeast Asia with other World Council of Churches representatives. She was arrested at the embassy of South Africa when pro-testing that nation's apartheid laws.

#### **GERALDINE ALEXANDER BRUSNAHAN** (Age 94)

Geraldine (Gerri) Brusnahan (nee Alexander) Geraldine (Gerri) Brusnahan (nee Alexander), age 94, died peacefully in the company of family and her extraordinary caregivers at the Fairfax Reminiscence Neighborhood on October 20, 2023. Born in Youngstown, Ohio on July 29, 1929, she and her parents moved to Washington, DC in the late 1930's. She met a dashing young insurance agent in the late 1940's and they were married on

September 29,1951. She raised four chil-dren who were her pride and joy. Mom was a gifted teacher, dance instructor and cook. She owned and operated a dance studio for several years in Centreville, Virginia. Mom was born to Samuel M. Alexander (formerly Salvatore D'Alessandro) and Melvina Alex-ander (nee Cuccarese), both deceased. Her loving husband of 69 years, Norman J. Brus-nahan, predeceased her in 2021. She is sur-vived by her adoring children, Kreig Brusna-han, Kevin (Renee) Brusnahan, Roger (Mari) Brusnahan and Diane (Ken) Robinson. She is also survived by her loving grandchildren, Dr. Anthony (Haley) Brusnahan, Marissa (Sal) Cancellieri, Casey Brusnahan, Marissa (Sal) Cancellieri, Casey Brusnahan, Megan Brus-nahan, Lindsey (Andy) Adams, Kristen (Mat-thew) Smith and Michelle (Dr. Michael) Gow-en, as well as her great-grandchildren, The family will gather privately to say goodbye with a Memorial Mars on Docember 2, 2022 family will gather privately to say goodbye with a Memorial Mass on December 2, 2023 with interment immediately thereafter at Mount Comfort Cemetery, Alexandria, VA. Arrangements by Jefferson Funeral Chapel.



## CARNDUFF



MARGARET COX CARNDUFF Margaret Cox Carnduff, 78, passed peaceful-ly October 10, 2023 after a steady decline with dementia and various other ailments. Extended family and friends adored both her and her attitude of doing whatever she wanted without regard to what others may think about it. The family appreciates the compassionate care and expertise of the hospice team at the Adler Center of Capi-tal Caring Hospice. A native Washingtonian, Margaret was born April 26, 1945 in Wash-ington, DC, the youngest of three children of Arthur Rhodes Carnduff and Virginia Truxton Glazebrook and was raised in Bethesda, MD, less than one block from the DC line. From her classical education at the Ma-deira School she could still recite sonnets in full, a feat which amazed everyone. She MARGARET COX CARNDUFF in full, a feat which amazed everyone. She could craft a custom limerick lickety-split to elicit a good hearty laugh from anyone lucky enough to be near her. A competitive horseback rider and graduate of Converse College, she could also speak fluent French from her studies at the Sorbonne. She en-

MARY CATHERINE FANNON

non and resided in Alexandria, Virginia her entire life. She is survived by her parents, her loving siblings, Kristen Fannon, Matthew Fannon, Jake Fannon and his wife Kristyna,

joyed duplicate bridge and challenges with her doubles tennis partner, Wimbledon champion Pauline Betz Addie. Margaret had lived in her beloved Gainesville, VA, for 50 years where she was an integral part of the close-knit community or the close-knit com Inved in her beloved Gamesville, VA, for so years where she was an integral part of the close-knit community on the Catharpin Strip. She was an independent, confident, gregarious woman and after winning the national sales award for over a decade while employed by Frieden-Alcatel, she retired in her 50's to play her guitar, sit on her screened porch and enjoy her pond, pool and pets. In retirement she golfed on every day with a name ending in "day", was always accompanied by her genuine Goose Dog on the golf course, was an avid tennis player and had season tickets to her beloved Redskins. Margaret was a decent downhill skier until she floundered on an expert double-black-diamond vertical slope called Moment of Truth. A lover of bluegrass music, she was a regular on Saturday nights at the stupendous Old Lucketts School-house. Her 4th of July parties with bushels of crabs are treasured memories. Marga-ret is survived by her sister Ginger Frazer of crabs are treasured memories. Marga-ret is survived by her sister Ginger Frazer French of Jacksonville, FL, her brother Wil-liam Carnduff (Peg) of Wellfleet, MA, her beloved nieces, The A's – Alison Carnduff (Vince Tompkins), Ashley, Frazer Sperling (John Mezzanotte) and Amie Frazer Day (Greg); great nieces/nephews, Julia, Dan-iel and Lucy Tompkins; Decker, Laurel and Cameron Day; Allie Grace Sperling; cousins, Margie Johnson Orrick, Alan Martin Johnson III and multiple other cousins. Inurnment is Saturday, December 9 at 9:30 a.m. in Oak Hill Cemetery, Washington, DC followed by a 12 noon celebration of her life at her home. Condolence messages can be left at Pierce Condolence messages can be left at Pierce Funeral Home https://www.piercefh.com/ obituaries/. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Prince William County Hu-mane Society via https://www.pwhumane. org/donate then selecting Honor/Memorial in Margaret's name.



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#### SALLIE HOLDEN

A longtime Washington area resident, Sallie P. C. Holden, 95, passed away on October 23, 2023 in Alexandria, VA. Sallie was born in Winthrop, MA on December 14, 1927

## HUFF

Robert was born March 25, 1940 to Betty and G. Russell Huff in Wenatchee, Washing-ton. He spent 25 years before retiring in the US Army as a lieutenant colonel, then continued to serve as a civil servant for 25 more years, finally retiring in 2015. In his life the best and most proud title he had was grandha

grandpa. Robert was preceded in death by his wife Isabel of 40 years. He is survived by his whe daughter Karen Grube, Mike Grube and granddaughter Stephanie Grube, his son Karinus Huff, Amanda Huff, and grandchil-dren: Hannah Krywonis, Leland Krywonis, and Karinus Huff, Jr., his stepdaughter Bon-nie Dupuis and grandchildren; Garret, Griffin, and Sydney Hughes

And Sydney Hughes. Friends welcome on Friday, November 10 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Demaine Funeral Home, 520 S. Washington St, Alexandria. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Satur-day, November 11 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Ag-nes Catholic Church, 1910 N. Randolph St, Arlington, Burial at a later date at Arlington

## **ROBINSON**



**ROBERT LEE HUFF (Age 83)** Robert Lee Huff a member of ST Mary's Catholic Church old town, passed on to be with our Lord October 28, 2023. May God grant that he rest in the sleep of Peace and may Light Perpetual shine upon him.

The artist, environmentalist, collector and advocate Avis collies Robinson passed away on Saturday, October 28, 2023. She is survived by her husband of 45 years, Eugene Robinson; her sons, Aaron and Lowell, her grandchil-dren, Alice and Malcolm, her daughter-in-law, Maureen; her sister, Kirsten; her foster brothers, Harold and Donald Miles; loving nieges and neopewe: and an indelible legacy

Avis was born on July 26, 1953, in Baltimore, MD, the daughter of Annie Ruth (nee Brown) and Edward Rhodes Collins. She graduated from the Academy of the Holy Cross in 1971 and received her B.A. from the University of Maryland in 1974. She later earned two master's degrees, the first from Golden Gate University and the second, an M.P.A., from Harvard University in 1988.

Avis had three stellar careers. She worked for more than 20 years at the U.S. Environ-mental Protection Agency, where she did early work on climate change, coordinated with governments in Asia and sub-Saharan Africa and advocated for environmental justice. In 2003, she left the EPA to devote all of her energies to Washington Metro-politan Scholars, an non-profit organization her forward to generat FO d the netion? she founded to connect 50 of the nation's leading universities with low-income,

Arlington. Burial at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery www.demainefuneralhomes.com

Avis 5 theress endriss, while provided con-lege access and financial aid to more than 1,000 young men and women. During these phases of her life, Avis also assembled a large and important collection of African American historical artifacts and docu-ments. Items she donated are on display at the Smithsonian National Museum of Afri-can American History and Culture can American History and Culture.

In her deepest essence, however, Avis was always an artist. Her talent and skill could no longer be held back, and in 2008 she began pouring all of her time and effort into paint-ing and fabric art. She received validation a year later when her portrait of Abraham Lincoln was chosen as the single iconic representation of the great president in the newly renovated lobby of Ford's Theatre, where Lincoln was Slain. Wider recognition quickly followed. She had a residency and two one-woman shows of paintings and abstract multided fabric works at the Studies abstract quilted fabric works at the Studios of Key West in Florida. In 2022, she had a one-woman show at the Columbus Muse-um of Art in Ohio. The National Gallery of Art has acquired one of her fabric pieces, "Black Hands Moving Colors," for its collection. The Foundation for Art and Preservation in Emborging here normanethy installed Aurice Embassies has permanently installed Avis's quilted works at the U.S. Mission to the Unitquilted works at the U.S. Mission to the Unit-ed Nations in New York, the U.S. Embassy in London and the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. FAPE recently commissioned Avis to create eight major fabric pieces for the planned new U.S. Embassy in Hanoi — and has pledged that the project will be completed, and Avis' vision realized, according to her designs. At the time of her death, Avis was also completing a project for The Washing-ton Post in which she created new quilted fabric pieces, and wrote accompanying es-says, to herald the four seasons.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, November 11, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 12319 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD., 20904. Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m., followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. Private interment will be at Coto of Uneven Comptons on Mondra, Mo Gate of Heaven Cemetery on Monday, November 13

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shortly after her college graduation. They moved to the Washington, DC, area in 1942 when Carl took a position at the federal Bureau of the Budget. Among many communi Y involvements, Olive served on the Prince George's County Human Relations Commis-sion. She worked at the Kendall Demonstra-tion Elementary School and became profi-cient in American Sign Language.

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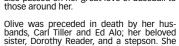
OLIVE TILLER

Olive M. Tiller passed away on July 23, 2023, in Cranberry Township, PA, at age 102.

Olive married Carl W. Tiller in June 1940,

Olive and Carl were longtime leaders in Calvary Baptist Church in Washington, and also in the American Baptist denominaalso in the American Baptist denomina-tion, which Olive served as vice president in 1976-77. Olive and Carl were the 1991 co-recipients of the Dahlberg Peace Award, conferred by the American Baptist Church-es USA, in recognition of their peacemaking work or work of the construction of the peacemaking work around the globe.

In 1978, they moved to Teaneck, NJ, and Ol-ive took a position with the National Coun-cil of Churches in New York City. She also served as a volunteer NGO representative to the United Nations during this time. In 1989, they moved to Sherwood Oaks retirement



Olive was preceded in death by her hus-bands, Carl Tiller and Ed Alo; her beloved sister, Dorothy Reader, and a stepson. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Elaine Tiller; daughter Jeanne Peterson; "adopted daughter" Carol Thom-ason; three stepchildren, five grandchil-dren, seven step-grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on November 11, 2023, at Sherwood Oaks retirement community in Cranberry Township, PA

Contributions in her memory can be made to the Southern Poverty Law Center (https:// www.splcenter.org) or to the Sherwood Oaks Scholarship Fund (100 Norman Drive, Cranberry Twsp, PA 16066).

## TUCCI



MARY CATHARINE TUCCI Mary Catherine Tucci (Ulam), age 73, of Wil-liamsburg, Virginia passed away on Wednes-day, September 20, 2023. She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Mary Ulam; and her husband, Robert L. Tucci.

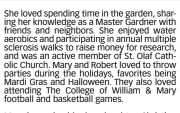
Mary graduated with an associate's degree from Mt. Aloysius College in Pennsylvania. She retired from the Central Intelligence Agency as an Administrative Assistant

ELIZABETH JUST VOSBECK

MAY 24, 1925 – OCTOBER 6, 2023

Elizabeth, known as Betty to all, passed away peacefully in her sleep of natural caus-es at the age of 98 on October 6, 2023. She was born in Mankato, Minnesota on May 24, 1925 to Frederick William and Beneta John-son Just.

Betty graduated from Mankato High School and The University of Minnesota with a Bachelor of Business Administration De-gree. While at the University, she dated and became engaged to Bill Vosbeck who was in Architectural School there. They married on August 2, 1947. They settled in Alexandria, VA, with their four children, after moving to Quantico, VA when Bill was in the Marine



Mary is survived by her daughter, Christine Ann Christmas (John), grandchildren, Patrick (11) and Andrew (8); siblings, Thomas Ulam (Joan), Margaret Edmunds (Thomas), James Ulam (Lisa), and Patrick Ulam (Luce); and nieces and nephews

A visitation for Mary and Robert Tucci will be held Saturday, November 11, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at St. Olaf Catholic Church, 104 Norge Lane, Williamsburg, Virginia, fol-lowed by a funeral mass at 11 a.m. A private interment will be held for the family.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorial contributions in Mary Tucci's name to the National Multiple Scienzois Society, https:// secure.nationalmssociety.org/. Online condolences may be shared at www.nelsenwilliamsburg.com

## VOSBECK



Always having a special interest in science, Betty enrolled at George Washington Univer-sity where she received a Master of Science Degree in Anatomy in 1965 and a Doctorate of Philosophy in Human Genetics in 1975. At George Washington University, she be-came a lab embryologist and genetics re-searcher. She also became the Lab Director of Chromosome Analysis at the Reproduc-tive Genetic Center in Mclean. VA. tive Genetic Center in Mclean, VA.

Betty was an active member of the DAR, helping to restore the Jones Point Light-house on the Potomac River in Alexandria, VA. Her hobbies included playing bridge and golf, genealogy, astronomy, and her cats.

Betty was preceded in death by her hus-band, Bill, and her three sons, Jon, Fred, and James. She is survived by her daughters, Lee Hagan of Alexandria, VA, Lynn Kunkel of St. Augustine, FL, and daughter-in-law Bibi Vosbeck of Alexandria, VA. There are six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren who will miss "Nono's" positive attitude, love of animals, and beautiful blue eyes.

Betty's memorial service will be held at Betty's memorial service will be held at Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church at 2001 Sherwood Hall Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306 on December 9, 2023 at 11 a.m. After the memorial service, a reception will be held at the church. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Betty Vosbeck to the Agape Reservoir in care of Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church at the above address.

## FANNON

#### her niece Emerson, and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Catherine graduated from West Potomac High School where she played basketball and lacrosse. She attended East Carolina University graduating with a bachelor de-gree in Sociology. She was working as an enhanced autism teacher at Belle View Elementary School in Fairfax County while working on hor Mactorr in Social Education working on her Masters in Special Education from George Mason University.

Catherine was a light in the life of many young people she taught and coached. She loved to share her talent for baking with family, friends and coworkers. She was also an avid sports fan but especially enjoyed watching and cheering on the Washington Nationals, the East Carolina Pirates, and the University of Virginia Cavaliers.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at the Basilica of St. Mary in Alexandria on Monday, November 6 at 10:30 a.m.

(Age 27) Catherine passed away suddenly in her sleep on October 30, 2023. She was born on January 20, 1996 to Jack and Kelly Fan-In lieu of flowers, please consider a dona-tion to the American Diabetes Association in memory of Catherine.

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nieces and nephews; and an indelible legacy of creativity and compassion.

Avis had three stellar careers. She worked

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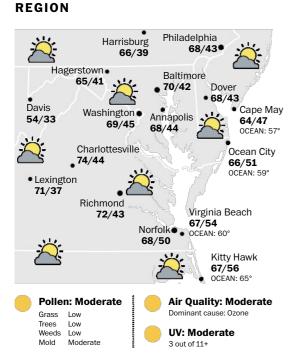
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## A touch of warmer fall weather



Sunshine rules once any lingering morning clouds diminish. Despite the cold front, it'll probably be a touch warmer than Saturday, with highs mainly in the mid-60s. Winds

are a bit fresh from the northwest, blowing around 10 mph with gusts near 20 mph in the afternoon. As night falls, mainly clear skies persist as winds diminish. Lows should settle mainly into the upper 30s and low 40s, and in the mid-40s in urban spots or near the bay.



Blue Ridge: Today, partly sunny. High 53 to 57. Winds northwest 7-14 mph. Tonight, mainly clear. Low 40 to 44. Winds west-northwest 6-12 mph. Monday, partly sunny. High 49 to 59. Winds southwest 7-14 mph. Tuesday, partly sunny. High 57 to 62.

Atlantic beaches: Today, partly sunny. High 65 to 69. Winds north-northeast 6-12 mph. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 45 to 51. Winds north 6-12 mph. Monday, mostly sunny; great day to be outside. High 60 to 66. Winds east 6-12 mph. Tuesday, clouds, limited sun.

Waterways: Upper Potomac River: Today, partly sunny. Wind northwest 6-12 knots. Waves less than a foot. Visibility unrestricted. • Lower Potomac and Chesapeake Bay: Today, partly sunny. Wind northwest 6-12 knots. Waves 1-2 feet on the Lower Potomac and the Chesapeake Bay. • River Stages: The stage at Little Falls will be around 2.50 feet today, with no change of 2.50 Monday. Flood stage at Little Falls is 10 feet.

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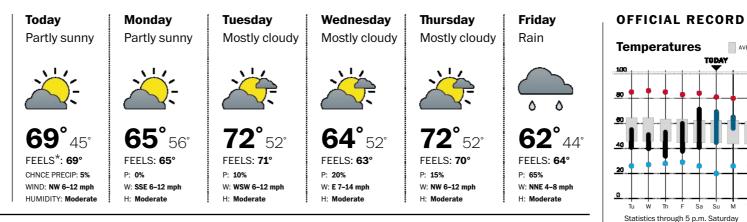
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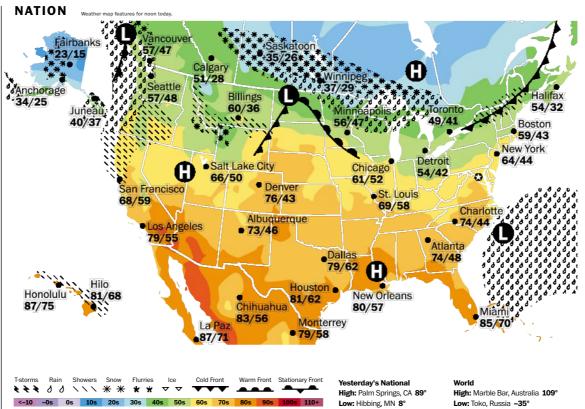
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Georgia rumbles past Missouri, and Washington stays perfect after a shootout with Southern California. p2-3

### **ON THE NFL**

As the Raiders begin anew, ex-Washington linebacker Antonio Pierce gets a shot, Jason La Canfora writes. D5 HOCKEY

The Caps grab a rare early lead and don't waste it as they post the 1,000th home win in franchise history. D9



#### PHOTOS BY JOHN MCDONNELL AND JONATHAN NEWTON/THE WASHINGTON POST

Ron Rivera has had control over Washington's personnel since he was hired in 2020, and whiffs on draft picks, trades and free agent signings have held his team back.

**Plunges from grace** 

Belichick's empire has fallen.

ANALYSIS

## U.S. to hire **Chelsea's** Hayes as its coach

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English import inherits women's team in midst of major transition

## BY STEVEN GOFF

The U.S. women's national soccer team has turned to Emma Hayes, a longtime English coach, to improve its fortunes after the worst World Cup performance in the program's acclaimed history.

Hayes, who has guided Chelsea to four consecutive Women's Super League championships, agreed to a long-term contract and is awaiting approval from the U.S. Soccer Federation's board of directors, four people familiar with the deal said Saturday. An emergency board meeting was called, one person said.

The U.S. players were informed of the decision in an email Saturday, two people familiar with the situation said. The USSF declined to comment.

Chelsea announced Saturday that Hayes would depart the club at the end of the season "to pursue a new opportunity outside of the WSL and club football." It did not specify her next iob. In the announcement, Hayes did not comment on her future.

Chelsea's season, however, does not end until May, a timetable that conflicts with the U.S. team's preparations for the Paris Olympics in July and August. It is unclear how the arrangement will work over the next six months, during which time the

## Can he pick up the pieces?

### **BY ADAM KILGORE**

FOXBOROUGH, MASS. — The six Super Bowl banners are pinned to the wall of the south end of Gillette Stadium, directly in the sightline from the entrance under the lighthouse. They intend to demonstrate the majesty of the New England Patriots. They hang there now as vestiges of a bygone season, like brown leaves falling in Massachusetts autumn.

So much of what made the Patriots a dynastic force for 20 years

remains in plain sight. Bill Belichick stalks the sideline in a hoodie. The roster is dotted with players who contributed to Lombardi Trophy wins. The stadium walls are decorated with images of recent glories. It is enough to make one believe the Patriots' excellence exists in the present tense. "In teams past and this team, there's no big difference at all," defensive lineman Lawrence Guv said.

Outside the environs of the SEE PATRIOTS ON D7

## Poor roster-building has kept Commanders from taking off

### BY NICKI JHABVALA

When Washington selected Chase Young with the second pick in the 2020 draft, Coach Ron Rivera and the team's personnel staff, then led by Kyle Smith, believed he was the right guy for what the team needed at the time. They had a young, developing quarterback in Dwayne Haskins, and Young was regarded by most analysts to be the best player in his class.

"It'd have been very hard to convince me that somebody else would be as impactful as the guy we drafted," Rivera said then.

Young was a Pro Bowl pick and the NFL's defensive rookie of the year in 2020, but he missed 23 games over the next three seasons because of injuries. When he was healthy, his impact was notable vet inconsistent, and Washington's starting line of four former SEE COMMANDERS ON D7

Commanders at Patriots: 1 p.m., Fox | Inside: Montez Sweat gets a hefty contract extension from the Bears. D5

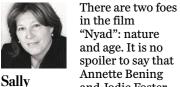
Americans will have three training camps and several matches, including the regional championship, known as the Concacaf W Gold Cup, in early 2024.

In the email to the players, the USSF said Hayes would oversee the four tuneups between late May and early July leading up to the Olympics, one person said.

Hayes's potential salary is unclear. Some board members could demand the USSF pay Hayes the same as men's coach Gregg Berhalter, whose \$1.6 million salary dwarfed that of the former women's coach, Vlatko Andonovski (about \$450,000). While the women's players have successfully earned equal pay and working conditions as the men, the enormous gap in coaching salaries has remained.

The Equalizer and Backheeled reported early Saturday that the SEE SOCCER ON D10

# the limits of age in 'Nyad'



Jenkins

and age. It is no spoiler to say that Annette Bening and Jodie Foster achieve a

conquest over those opponents, not in some trite, scripted or airbrushed way but with the sinews and cartilage of real athletes. Every now and then a cultural moment comes along that exposes how severely and artificially we continue to limit the conceptual range of female ideals, and the cannonball biceps of these actresses in their 60s constitute a significant one. Sun-scorched, straw-haired, scored with tendons, they are glorious.

"Nyad," directed by husband and wife Jimmy Chin and Elizabeth Chai Vasarhelyi of "Free Solo" fame, is a biopic of marathon swimmer Diana Nyad during her 110-mile open water journey from Cuba to Florida in 2013 at 64 with the help of her closest friend and trainer,

Bonnie Stoll. But there is a story within a story in the film, which debuted on Netflix on Friday: the partnership of two women frustrated by a Hollywood culture that permits so few dynamic roles for mature women and who do something about it. When "Nyad" began filming in a 233-by-233-foot tank of water off the coast of the Dominican Republic in April 2022, Bening showed up on set for a "safety' rehearsal with stunt doubles whom she promptly rendered bystanders. She knifed into the water and glided the length of the tank, swimming 70 yards with elite-quality strokes that barely rippled the water. "We were all jaw-dropped," Chin says.

Chin, a fabled extreme athlete himself who has scaled peaks, skied Mount Everest and grew up swimming competitively, had not known until that moment how committed Bening was in preparing for the role. "We weren't sure how far she was willing to take it," he says. They left Bening alone during SEE JENKINS ON D9

## Bening and Foster shatter | Nittany Lions send the Terps to fourth straight loss



"They are as advertised, but I don't think they're 51-15 better," Michael Locksley said of Penn State.

## PENN STATE 51, MARYLAND 15

### BY GENE WANG

A season that began with championship aspirations spiraled further into free fall Saturday when the Maryland football team lost, 51-15, to visiting Penn State, leaving the Terrapins still in need of another win to secure bowl eligibility amid a slide that entered its second month.

In dropping a fourth consecutive game, the Terrapins (5-4, 2-4 Big Ten) finished with minus-49 yards rushing, committed four turnovers, yielded six sacks and never came close to threatening at SECU Stadium, where mostly Nittany Lions faithful clad in white remained in the twilight to witness the closing minutes.

"They were able to have their way with us today," Maryland Coach Michael Locksley said after his team's most lopsided result of the year. "Obviously, we SEE MARYLAND ON D4

Maryland at Nebraska Saturday, noon, Peacock

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Rutgers	16	2 Georgia	30	з Michigan	41	Pittsburgh	7	20 USC	12	6 Oregon	63	7 Texas	33	8 Alabama	42	22 Okla. State 27	13 Louisville	34	Virginia	17	Temple	32

## SOCCER Man. City wins big, moves into first place

Jeremy Doku scored one goal and helped create another four as defending champion Manchester City routed visiting Bournemouth, 6-1, on Saturday to move to the top of the English Premier League.

The win came at a cost as star striker **Erling Haaland** was substituted at halftime after twisting his ankle.

Elsewhere, host Newcastle handed Arsenal its first league loss of the season, 1-0, on **Anthony Gordon**'s goal in the 64th minute that survived a long video review.

In London, **Bruno Fernandes** scored a stoppage-time goal to earn Manchester United a 1-0 win over Fulham....

**Aaron Boupendza** scored the equalizer in the second half and FC Cincinnati eliminated the New York Red Bulls, 8-7, in a 10-round penalty-kick shootout after the two clubs played to a 1-1 draw in an MLS playoff game in Harrison, N.J.

### TENNIS

Top-ranked **Novak Djokovic** was made to fight for more than three hours by **Andrey Rublev** in their semifinal match before earning the right to play for a record-extending seventh title at the Paris Masters.

Djokovic overcame a slow start to rally past his Russian opponent, 5-7, 7-6 (7-3), 7-5, and maintain his perfect record in the semifinals at the indoor tournament. In the other semifinal, **Grigor Dimitrov** outlasted **Stefanos Tsitsipas**, 6-3, 6-7 (7-1), 7-6 (7-3)...

In Cancún, Mexico, **Jessica Pegula** outplayed U.S. Open winner **Coco Gauff**, 6-2, 6-1, at the WTA finals to reach the title match at the season-ending championship.

The second semifinal between No. 1 **Aryna Sabalenka** and No. 2 **Iga Swiatek** was suspended until Sunday because of rain. Action was halted with Swiatek leading two games to one.

#### BASEBALL

The Chicago White Sox declined their \$14 million option for next season on two-time allstar shortstop **Tim Anderson** and bought him out for \$1 million.

Anderson, 30, led the majors with a .335 batting average in 2019 and made all-star teams in his career with Cincinnati after 17 seasons. Votto will get a \$7 million

buyout, completing a contract that guaranteed \$251.5 million over 12 seasons. Votto, 40, hit .202 with 14 homers and 38 RBI in 65 games this season.... Chicago Cubs right-hander

**Marcus Stroman**, 32, opted out of the final year of his contract, giving up a \$21 million salary for 2024....

The Milwaukee Brewers traded veteran outfielder **Mark Canha** to the Detroit Tigers.

The Brewers acquired minor league pitcher **Blake Holub** in the deal. Canha, 34, hit .287 with five homers and 33 RBI in 50 games after Milwaukee acquired him from the Mets at the trade deadline....

The Los Angeles Angels declined a \$9 million option on infielder **Eduardo Escobar** and a \$7.5 million option on left-hander **Aaron Loup....** 

Third baseman **Justin Turner** declined his \$13.4 million player option with Boston, and the Red Sox turned down their \$11 million option on right-hander **Corey Kluber**.

### AUTO RACING

William Byron will start from the pole Sunday at Phoenix Raceway in Avondale, Ariz., trying to win his first NASCAR Sprint Cup Series championship.

Byron, of Hendrick Motorsports, turned a lap at 132.597 mph in his Chevrolet in qualifying to earn the top starting spot. Byron edged **Martin Truex Jr.** for the pole. Truex went 132.509 mph in his Toyota.

On Saturday night in Avondale, **Cole Custer** pulled away from **Justin Allgaier** during a two-lap overtime shootout to win his first NASCAR Xfinity Series championship.

#### GOLF

In Los Cabos, Mexico, **Matt Kuchar** blew a big lead with a late collapse at the World Wide Technology Championship, leaving him tied with **Camilo Villegas** with a round left.

Both enter the final round at 19-under par, one shot better than **Erik van Rooven...** 

Shiho Kuwaki and Nasa Hataoka each shot a 6-under-par 66 to sit atop the leader board with a one-stroke lead after the third round of the LPGA's Japan Classic in Omitama.

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## Bulldogs' big man makes biggest play

## GEORGIA 30, MISSOURI 21

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### BY CHUCK CULPEPPER

ATHENS, GA. — When they gab later on in the living rooms and the barrooms about this 2023-24 season when Georgia either won its third straight national title or did not quite win its third straight national title, they're going to have to include the play that gave this invulnerable fortress of a stadium the kind of great-big boom that can sprout out of doubt.

They're going to have to relish again the play that turned No. 2 Georgia's 30-21 win over No. 12 Missouri on Saturday, the play that took those rare little shrieks of insecurity from the usual 92,746 at Sanford Stadium and replaced them with an outpouring tinged with relief. Luckily, they will get to dwell on a play that ranks among beloved American phenomena, an interception return by a 320-pound lineman, an act always cherished in a country that eats a lot and reveres the antics of those football players who have eaten a lot.

They will have to mention the sparkling personality of 6-foot-3, 320-pound senior Nazir Stackhouse from Stone Mountain near Atlanta, and they will have to giggle at how Stackhouse said Georgia speed trackers on the sideline had gauged him at 17 or 18 mph because they will have to recount Coach Kirby Smart's reaction to that.

"No chance," Smart barked. He did have a caveat.

Stackhouse might "hit 18 miles an hour on a bike or a car."

Nobody will remember - or nobody should remember - how Stackhouse's 44-yard interception return to the Missouri 5-yard line with 7:46 left actually got called back by a chop-block penalty, not that the roarers gathered around the famed hedges seemed to mind. That's because what that play did was foil Missouri as it nibbled at a mere 27-21 deficit and nibbled near midfield. It became the game's first turnover, and it set up freshman Peyton Woodring's 48-yard field goal for a 30-21 lead and kept alive so many things.

Those would include Georgia's winning streak (up to 26), its regular season winning streak (up to 36), its home winning



Defensive tackle Nazir Stackhouse's interception secured No. 2 Georgia's win over No. 12 Missouri.

Missouri (7-2) dared to fiddle with Georgian nerve endings with hellish defensive lineman Darius Robinson, fleet quarterback Brady Cook and badass kicker Harrison Mevis, that dude who hit the game-winning 61-yarder against Kansas State. It got Georgia to 9-0 and still vibrant for a fourth College Football Playoff bid even in a game after which Smart went to shake hands with fourth-year Missouri coach Eli Drinkwitz and gave that half-shake of the head of a coach who feels grateful to withstand a struggle.

"Eli does a great job," Smart said. "That team's hard to play."

It's hard to play for a second straight year, after it threw the biggest regular season puzzle into Georgia's 15-0 campaign last year in Columbia, Mo., where Missouri led 16-6 at halftime and 22-12 early in the fourth quarter before fading, 26-22.

If fans want to be fair the way fans occasionally do, they will have to mention in those future discussions how Missouri had become quite an opponent, even as that program probably most omitted when people sit up on beery nights trying to name all 14 SEC teams.

The Bulldogs of 2022 needed the deep savvy of Stetson Bennett-steered drives of 75 and

they needed Stackhouse to venture out to the right sideline with the ball in his left hand, make a slight left turn toward glory and churn, churn, churn, going just a little bit *James Harrison*.

"He threw it right in my hands," Stackhouse would say. "It's a dream come true for a defensive lineman. Obviously I didn't score the touchdown" and at this point he stopped to laugh — as "my legs get really heavy. It's exciting for the first couple of seconds, and then, you know, when you're on that stride and your body starts saying, 'I don't think you're going to get it,' you might as well tuck the ball in."

In the last flurry of unexpected activity, Missouri offensive lineman Cam'Ron Johnson lunged from behind and tripped up Stackhouse, not that it mattered once the penalty was called and not that the penalty mattered when set against the fresh joy.

"Man," Smart said of the play. "Biggest play of the game," Smart said.

"We told him after the game we had to get the piano off his back," Smart said. "He thought he was going to score and didn't realize how he had to run."

What it all but ensured wasn't the latest escape for Georgia, because Georgia with Bennett over Auburn after 17-17 after three quarters, 30-21 here after Missouri painted a nine-play. 75-vard drive that lessened its deficit from 24-13 to 24-21 with 12:50 left. That drive had Cook's long roll and fling to Mookie Cooper on a third and 10, Cook's pretty throw deep sideline to Mekhi Miller between defenders for 23 yards, Cody Schrader with a 12-yard touchdown run around the left edge as part of his 112 rushing yards and the muffled but recognizable sounds of slight worry on premises of the mascot, Uga.

Georgia might not have wowed this year by unreasonable standards of wowing, and it's pretty easy to pick at if you're studying it too closely, and its schedule hasn't been as gutsy as that of Ohio State, and it struggles without the injured Brock Bowers who had aimed to overtake the world from the position of tight end (much as has Travis Kelce). Still, it's right there around the top with a full tank of victory know-how now streaming across the seasons. "They don't get a lot of stupid penalties," Smart said of his 12th-leastpenalized team in the land. "And they believe in each other. They believe if they don't win the last moment, they'll win the next moment, and if you win enough

2021 and 2022 but was dogged by injuries the past two years....

**Joey Votto**'s \$20 million option for 2024 was declined by the Reds, making the first baseman a free agent and probably ending dominance in women's field hockey at the Pan American games, winning its eighth gold medal with a 2-1 win over the United States in Santiago, Chile. — From news services streak (up to a program-recordtying 24), and its gaudy overall record since that unthinkable loss to underling Florida in early November 2020 (42-1). It got Georgia to 9-0 in a curious game in which it outgained Missouri only 385-363, a game in which 68 yards that night, then the Bulldogs of 2023 needed something more whiplashing. They needed Stackhouse to grab a strange little soft pass toward nowhere in particular from Cook on a first down from midfield, almost as if it squirted out, and gone and Carson Beck at quarterback hasn't really had to make what you would fairly call escapes. It has made plays to win the close games that have come along here and there -24-14over South Carolina after leading 17-14 after three quarters, 27-20 moments..." If you win enough moments, some of them might even entail 320-pound men running free and a crowd unable to hide its glee at the same, the kind of glee remembered easily in living rooms and barrooms.

#### **TELEVISION AND RADIO**

#### NFL 9:30 a.m. Kansas City vs. Miami » NFL Network Washington at New England » WTTG (Ch. 5), WBFF (Ch. 45), WBIG (100.3 FM) 1 p.m Seattle at Baltimore » WUSA (Ch. 9), WJZ (Ch. 13), WBAL (1090 AM), 1 p.m WBAL (101.5 FM) 4:25 p.m. Dallas at Philadelphia » WTTG (Ch. 5), WBFF (Ch. 45) Buffalo at Cincinnati » WRC (Ch. 4), WBAL (Ch. 11) 8:20 p.m NHL 7 p.m. New Jersey at Chicago » NHL Network AUTO RACING Formula One: Brazilian Grand Prix » ESPN2 Noon NASCAR Cup Series: Championship » WRC (Ch. 4), WBAL (Ch. 11) 3 p.m. GOLF Challenge Tour: Grand Final, final round » Golf Channe 5:30 a.m Noor PGA Tour Champions: TimberTech Championship, final round Golf Channe 3 p.m. PGA Tour: World Wide Technology Championship, final round » Golf Channe SOCCER French Ligue 1: Metz at Olympique Lyonnais » beIN Sports 7 a.m. 9 a.m. French Ligue 1: Reims at Nantes » beIN Sports English Premier League: Aston Villa at Nottingham Forest » USA Network 9 a.m. 11 a.m French Ligue 1: Brest at Monaco » beIN Sports English Premier League: Liverpool at Luton Town » USA Network 11:30 a.m. 2:45 p.m. French Ligue 1: Rennes at Nice » belN Sports 2:45 p.m. Italian Serie A: Juventus at Fiorentina » CBS Sports Network 7 p.m. NWSL, semifinal: Gotham FC at Portland » CBS Sports Network 7:30 p.m. MLS playoffs first round, Game 2: Los Angeles FC at Vancouver > Fox Sports 1 9:30 p.m. NWSL, semifinal: OL Reign at San Diego » CBS Sports Network TENNIS 6 a.m. ATP: Paris Masters, doubles final » Tennis Channel ATP: Paris Masters, singles final » Tennis Channel 9 a.m. 4:30 p.m. WTA Finals, singles and doubles finals » Tennis Channe WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 6 p.m Exhibition: United States vs. Tennessee » SEC Network RUNNING New York City Marathon » ESPN2 8 a.m **PROFESSIONAL VOLLEYBALL** 9:30 p.m Athletes Unlimited: Team Hentz vs. Team Edmond » ESPNU **COLLEGE FIELD HOCKEY** Big Ten, final: Maryland vs. Northwestern » Big Ten Network Noor **MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER TOURNAMENTS** ACC, quarterfinal: Syracuse at Virginia » ACC Network 2 p.m ACC, guarterfinal: North Carolina at Wake Forest » ACC Network 4 p.m. ACC, guarterfinal: Duke at Clemson » ACC Network 6 p.m. 8 p.m ACC, guarterfinal: Louisville at Notre Dame »ACC Network WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER TOURNAMENTS ACC, final: Clemson vs. Florida State » ESPNU Noon Noon Patriot, final: Bucknell at Army » CBS Sports Network Big East, final: Georgetown vs. Xavier » Fox Sports 1 1:30 p.m. American Athletic, final: SMU vs. Memphis » ESPNU 2 p.m 2 p.m. Big Ten, final: Iowa vs. Wisconsin » Big Ten Network

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3 p.m.	Kentucky at Florida » ESPN								
4 p.m.	Auburn at Texas A&M » SEC Network								

SEC, final: Georgia vs. Arkansas » SEC Network

2 p.m

## **Guerendo and Cardinals run all over the Hokies**

## LOUISVILLE 34, VIRGINIA TECH 3

#### BY GARY B. GRAVES

LOUISVILLE — Senior Isaac Guerendo rushed for career highs of 146 yards and three touchdowns, Jawhar Jordan and Jadon Thompson also scored, and Louisville shut down Virginia Tech in a 34-3 rout Saturday.

The showdown for second place steadily became one-sided as the Cardinals (8-1, 5-1 ACC, No. 13 College Football Playoff) moved closer to a berth in the conference championship in their first season under Jeff Brohm. Their relentless defense didn't allow a touchdown for the second consecutive week and held the Hokies (4-5, 3-2) to just 140 yards overall, creating chances that Guerendo quickly turned into scores.

The Wisconsin graduate transfer rushed for touchdowns of 39, 12 and 36 yards among 11 carries that included explosive runs of 27 and 20 yards. Guerendo shot through big holes each time, twice leaping over diving defenders on the way to the end zone. He went airborne on another score to key Louisville's run-based attack that totaled 231 of its 382 yards. A holding penalty nullified his 60-yard touchdown run that could have put it out of reach early, though he took care of that after halftime.

Considering Jordan was a game-time decision because of a nagging hamstring injury while wide receiver Jamari Thrash and cornerback Jarvis Brownlee sat out with injuries, the Cardinals needed everybody to fill voids.

"We had two key players out, and we were able to still get the job done," said Guerendo, who topped his previous career best of 114 yards on 12 carries against Maryland nearly a year ago. "So I



Isaac Guerendo, who ran for 146 yards and three touchdowns, hurdles Virginia Tech's Dorian Strong.

think that just goes to show we have a deep team. We have other players that can make plays."

Jordan rushed for the Cardinals' first touchdown from one yard on the way to finishing with 57 on 14 attempts. Thompson scored on a 37-yard reception to make it 21-3 midway through the third quarter as he hauled in a pinpoint throw from Jack Plummer across the middle, shook his defender and was gone. It was the first Louisville touchdown for the junior Cincinnati transfer, who was among several Cardinals players that helped right a flipped vehicle after a Sept. 21 accident just outside their L&N Stadium home field.

John Love's 44-yard field goal as the first half ended got Virginia

Tech on the scoreboard, but there was little else against a Cardinals defense that entered the contest as the ACC's second best in yards allowed (303.4), with the Hokies next (316.0).

Three of the Hokies' first five possessions totaled negative yard-age.

Louisville established its presence quickly, sacking mobile quarterback Kyron Drones for a 10-yard loss on the first snap and dropping him three more times before he was pulled in the fourth quarter. He was 12 for 21 for just 69 yards and was intercepted once.

"Obviously very disappointed, not only with the score but the way we played," Virginia Tech Coach Brent Pry said. "We are a better football team. They just played harder and more confident. We couldn't run the ball and got behind the sticks."

After exceeding 30 points in consecutive wins during a 3-1 stretch, the Hokies, who visit Boston College next Saturday, were denied in every phase by the Cardinals.

A week after holding Duke to just 202 yards, the Cardinals clamped down harder and nastier on the Hokies. Besides harassing Drones, their special teams leveled returners several times and the offensive line allowed just one sack to a defense that posted 15 over the previous two contests.

Louisville hosts Virginia on Thursday in its fourth midweek game this season.

-Associated Press

DIGEST

## **COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

## No. 5 Huskies outrun Trojans to finish line in shootout

## WASHINGTON 52, USC 42

#### BY GREG BEACHAM

LOS ANGELES — Dillon Johnson rushed for 256 yards and four touchdowns, Michael Penix Jr. passed for 256 yards and two scores, and Washington's prolific offense kept the Huskies unbeaten with a 52-42 victory over Southern California on Saturday night.

Devin Culp and Ja'Lynn Polk caught touchdown passes from Penix, who also rushed for a score while the Huskies (9-0, 6-0 Pac-12, No. 5 College Football Playoff) won a high-octane thriller featuring two elite offenses and two deficient defenses.

Johnson had the fifth-biggest rushing performance in Washington history and its first 200yard game or four-touchdown game since 2017 while the Huskies racked up 572 total yards.

Caleb Williams passed for 312 yards and three touchdowns for the No. 20 Trojans (7-3, 5-2), who have lost three of four to derail their championship hopes despite another prolific outing from the Heisman Trophy winner and his offense. Raleek Brown, Darwin Barlow and Williams rushed for touchdowns while Tahj Washington, Brenden Rice and Mario Williams caught scoring passes in front of a sold-out Coliseum for USC's 100th homecoming weekend.

The offenses combined for 1,087 yards, but Washington repeatedly made bigger plays at key moments. The Huskies never trailed in the second half after Williams's fumble deep in USC territory allowed Washington to take a 35-28 lead on Johnson's third touchdown run 20 seconds



Dillon Johnson rushed for 256 yards and four touchdowns as the Huskies rolled up 572 total yards to keep their perfect record (9-0) intact. 23

before halftime.

Mario Williams caught a 20yard touchdown pass from Caleb Williams to make it 42-42 late in the third quarter, but Washington's Grady Gross made a 43-yard field goal with 12:25 to play. Caleb Williams then took a long sack that knocked the Trojans out of field goal range on their next drive, and Washington marched 91 yards for Johnson's fourth touchdown with 2:20 left. USC gave up at least 40 points for the fifth time in its past six games, increasing the pressure on Coach Lincoln Riley's longtime defensive coordinator, Alex Grinch.

USC played without Pac-12

rushing leader MarShawn Lloyd, who sat out with a previously undisclosed injury, but the Trojans are loaded with skill-position talent: While Austin Jones ran for 127 yards as the backfield starter, Brown scored in his first game since the opener and Barlow added 44 yards and a score on his first carries since Week 2.

Big, bold offensive plays happened regularly in this meeting between two longtime Pac-12 rivals heading to the Big Ten next season.

Penix threw a spectacular 22yard touchdown pass to Culp while running out of bounds in the second quarter. Southern California answered with a 95yard drive capped by two electrifying runs from Barlow, but Johnson produced an untouched 52-yard touchdown run moments later.

USC went ahead on Washington's 41-yard touchdown reception off a sublime flea-flicker that almost looked improvised by freshman Zachariah Branch when he lateraled back to Williams. But after Polk's touchdown catch tied it, Zion Tupuola-Fetui forced a fumble by Williams on USC's next snap, and Johnson rushed for his third touchdown.

Tupuola-Fetui, whose father died last week, was visibly emotional on the sideline after his big play.

Christian Roland-Wallace intercepted Penix's tipped pass in the end zone on Washington's opening drive out of halftime, and Williams led an 80-yard scoring drive capped by Rice's 25-yard touchdown catch on fourth and one. The Coliseum crowd was frenetic, but the Huskies calmly reclaimed the lead with a 75-yard drive ending in Penix's touchdown sneak.

- Associated Press

## Take that, Tyler: Tigers hold off Irish as Swinney sets school mark for wins

## CLEMSON 31, NOTRE DAME 23

BY PETE IACOBELLI

Swinney said. "Buy right now." The win capped a crazy week at Clemson, which began when Tyler — last name unknown called in to Swinney's weekly show to criticize the Tigers' longtime, national championship know a lot of guys do, too. So we had to bring our all today."

The Tigers (5-4) came in with more losses in a season than they had in 13 years and still raw from the radio call that gave airtime to what some frustrated fans had Notre Dame 15 — including a nifty quick kick by quarterback Cade Klubnik — and the Irish could never get out of the hole.

Notre Dame got a last chance when Mafah fumbled with 1:47 to go on its own 22. After a first down, Hartman threw four incompletions to give the ball back to the Tigers with 58 seconds left. and a nine-yard touchdown to Tyler Brown, and linebacker Jeremiah Trotter Jr. stepped in front of a Hartman pass for a 28-yard pick-six that put the Tigers ahead 24-6 in the second quarter.

Hartman finished 12 of 25 for

Then they were stuck deep in their own territory in the final period.

Notre Dame Coach Marcus Freeman said his team missed its chances, particularly early, and gave Clemson opportunities to

CLEMSON, S.C. — Clemson Coach Dabo Swinney's red-hot radio take after criticism from "Tyler of Spartanburg" apparently fired up the Tigers.

"We all had a chip on our shoulder," tailback Phil Mafah said.

Mafah, a junior filling in for injured starter Will Shipley, ran for a career-high 186 yards and two touchdowns to lead the underachieving Tigers to their biggest win this season, a 31-23 victory over Notre Dame on Saturday.

"If Clemson's a stock, you better buy all you freaking can," coach. Tyler demanded him to account for why the program that proclaims "Best is the Standard" had four losses and was out of title contention by October.

Swinney let loose with a strong, even hostile, defense of himself, the program and this season. Then watched his Tigers put on their most complete performance of the season.

"It's tough because there's no one that loves us more than [Swinney] does," said Mafah, who rushed for the most yards in a game for Clemson this season. "I personally take it personal; I felt this season.

"It's been a tough year, and we haven't had a lot go our way," Swinney said. "But these guys have continued to battle."

Mafah ran for scores of 41 yards and one yard, the last putting Clemson ahead 31-16 in the third quarter. Notre Dame, 7-3 and No. 15 in the College Football Playoff ranking, drew within one score on Sam Hartman's 26-yard scramble for a touchdown.

That's when Clemson's special teams and defense closed things out. Four times after that, the Tigers downed punts inside the Clemson ran out the clock and set off a celebration for Death Valley fans who had little to cheer about this season.

Swinney finally moved past the late Frank Howard in all-time Clemson wins with 166 after missing his first two chances to move in front. The loss continued the nightmarish Clemson experience of Notre Dame's Hartman, whose teams were 0-5 against the Tigers

while he was at Wake Forest. Klubnik threw for 109 yards 146 and two interceptions. It was the first time an unranked Clemson had beaten a ranked team since 2021 and a 48-27 win over No. 13 Wake Forest, which was led by Hartman.

Hartman took all the blame.

"If you want to put anything on anyone, put it on me," he said. "I played very poor today. I didn't play well enough to be a winning quarterback."

The Fighting Irish struggled to take advantage of early chances. They settled for three first-half field goals after solid drives that had them down 24-9 at the half. stretch the lead. Clemson fumbled the ball three times but only lost one at

the end while it was deep in

Fighting Irish territory. Swinney had hoped it wouldn't take so long to take over as the school's all-time wins leader. He had tied Howard with 165 victories after a 17-12 victory over Wake Forest on Oct. 7, then the Tigers had a bye week and losses at Miami and at North Carolina State.

"I wish we'd done it about four games ago," Swinney joked. — Associated Press

#### NATIONAL ROUNDUP

## Milroe outduels Daniels, sets a program record in Tide's victory over Tigers

## ALABAMA 42, LSU 28

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Jalen Milroe rushed for 155 yards and four touchdowns and passed for another 219 yards to lead Alabama, No. 8 in the College Football Playoff ranking, to a 42-28 victory over No. 14 LSU on Saturday night in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Milroe matched big plays both running and passing with Tigers quarterback Jayden Daniels, helping the Crimson Tide (8-1, 6-0) move closer to locking down an SEC West title.

Daniels and Milroe both put on dazzling dual-threat displays. But the Heisman Trophy contender for LSU (6-3, 4-2) was hurt on a hard hit that drew a flag early in the fourth quarter. He briefly reentered the game but didn't run a play, heading to the medical tent after a penalty and a timeout. CBS reported that he was in the concussion protocol.

Daniels lay face down before walking off after the hit by Alabama linebacker Dallas Turner that drew a roughing-the-passer flag.

Milroe, meanwhile, had probably his best all-around game, putting up Daniels-like numbers. He completed 15 of 23 passes and had 20 carries, setting a Tide singlegame record for rushing touchdowns by a quarterback.

Daniels threw for 219 yards with two touchdowns and ran for 163 yards and a score. His lone negative play proved to be a big one. Turner deflected a fourthquarter pass into the air, and Terrion Arnold intercepted it, setting up Jase McClellan's 10-yard scoring run to push the margin to two touchdowns.

Backup Garrett Nussmeier finished the game and moved the Tigers into Alabama territory late.

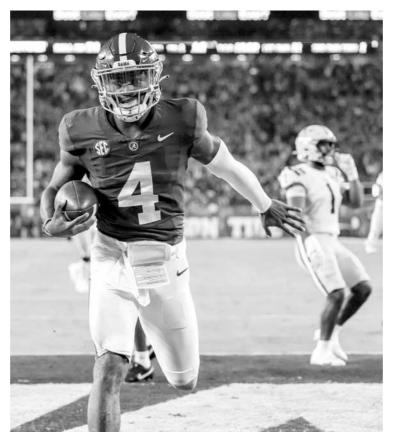
Malik Nabers, the nation's leading receiver, had 10 catches for 171 yards, including a 46-yard touchdown on LSU's first drive.

• OHIO STATE 35, RUTGERS 16: Cornerback Jordan Hancock woke up the No. 1 Buckeyes (9-0, 6-0 Big Ten) early in the second half with a 93-yard interception return for a touchdown, and Ohio State rallied from its first halftime deficit of the season to beat the vastly improved Scarlet Knights (6-3, 3-3) in Piscataway, N.J.

Ohio State got a lot of big plays in the final 30 minutes besides the pick-six. Quarterback Kyle Mc-Cord and wide receiver Marvin Harrison Jr. connected on touchdowns of two and four yards in the fourth quarter and TreVeyon Henderson ran for 78 of his 128 yards in the second half for the Buckeyes, who earned their 10th straight win over Rutgers.

• MICHIGAN 41, PURDUE 13: Blake Corum matched his season high with three touchdowns and Semaj Morgan ran for a 44yard score, leading the No. 3 Wolverines (9-0, 6-0 Big Ten) over the Boilermakers (2-7, 1-5) in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Michigan routed another overmatched opponent, as it has each game this season, amid an NCAA



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Jalen Milroe completed 15 of 23 passes for 219 yards and ran for 155 yards and four scores, an Alabama record for a quarterback.

investigation into allegations that the team broke rules with a signstealing scheme.

•FLORIDA STATE 24, PITTSBURGH 7: Jordan Travis ran for a touchdown and threw for another as the No. 4 Seminoles (9-0, 7-0 ACC) clinched a spot in the conference title game for the first time since 2014 by beating the host Panthers (2-7, 1-4).

After a shaky first half for Florida State, Travis hit tight end Markeston Douglas for a 22-yard touchdown to extend the lead to 10 midway through the third quarter. On the Seminoles' next possession, Trey Benson bolted 55 yards up the middle to put Pittsburgh away. • OREGON 63, CALIFORNIA 19: Bo Nix threw four touchdown passes and rushed for two more scores, and the No. 6 Ducks (8-1, 4-1 Pac-12) put the Golden Bears (3-6, 1-5) away in a wild first half in Eugene, Ore.

Tez Johnson caught 12 passes for 180 yards and two scores, and Oregon remained undefeated at Autzen Stadium.

• TEXAS 33, KANSAS STATE 30 (OT): Bert Auburn kicked a 42-yard field goal in overtime and the No. 7 Longhorns (8-1, 5-1 Big 12) got a key stop on fourth down to beat the No. 23 Wildcats (6-3, 4-2) in Austin.

Facing fourth and goal from the 4, Kansas State went for the win instead of another field goal to send it to double overtime. Defensive end Barryn Sorrell pressured Will Howard into an off-balance pass that fell incomplete.

• OKLAHOMA STATE 27, OKLAHOMA 24: Ollie Gordon II ran for 137 yards and two touchdowns as the No. 22 Cowboys (7-2, 5-1 Big 12) defeated the No. 9 Sooners (7-2, 4-2) in the last scheduled Bedlam rivalry game before Oklahoma leaves for the SEC.

Jubilant Oklahoma State fans rushed the field as time ran out. They lingered on the field as songs such as "We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together" by Taylor Swift played. They took down the east goal post and carried pieces in various directions around Boone Pickens Stadium.

• MISSISSIPPI 38, TEXAS A&M 35: Quinshon Judkins ran for three touchdowns, including the game-winner from a yard out with 1:40 left, and Zxavian Harris deflected Randy Bond's 47-yard field goal attempt on the last play to preserve the win for the No. 10 Rebels (8-1, 5-1 SEC) over the Aggies (5-4, 3-3) in Oxford, Miss.

•TENNESSEE 59, CON-NECTICUT 3: Joe Milton Jr. threw for 254 yards and two touchdowns and ran for another score, all in the first half, and the No. 17 Volunteers (7-2) set a program record with three defensive touchdowns in a rout of the Huskies (1-8) in Knoxville.

• UTAH 55, ARIZONA STATE 3: Bryson Barnes passed for a career-high four touchdowns and Ja'Quinden Jackson ran 13 times for 111 yards to lead the No. 18 Utes (7-2, 4-2 Pac-12) past the Sun Devils (2-7, 1-5) in Salt Lake City.

• KANSAS 28, IOWA STATE 21: Jason Bean passed for 287 yards, including an 80-yard touchdown to Lawrence Arnold, and the No. 21 Jayhawks (7-2, 4-2 Big 12) held off the Cyclones (5-4, 4-2) in Ames, Iowa.

•TULANE 13, EAST CARO-LINA 10: Michael Pratt threw a short touchdown pass to Lawrence Keys III, and the No. 24 Green Wave (8-1, 5-0 American Athletic Conference) turned in a smothering effort on defense to hold off the Pirates (1-8, 0-5) in Greenville, N.C.

•ARMY 23, AIR FORCE 3: Quarterback Bryson Daily ran for 170 yards and two touchdowns and the swarming Black Knights (3-6) forced six turnovers to knock the No. 25 Falcons (8-1) from the list of perfect teams with a massive upset in Denver.

## SCOREBOARD

**TEM:** Jor.Smith 22 pass from Warner (Price kick), 11:23. **TEM:** FG Price 42, 3:18.

TEM: Martin-Robinson 24 pass from Warner (Price kick),

NAVY: Heidenreich 24 pass from Arline (Umbarger pass

NAVY: Arline 2 run (Kirkwood kick), 14:56. TEM: Jor.Smith 13 pass from Warner (Price kick), 9:09. NAVY: FG Kirkwood 45, 5:46. TEM: Wright 16 pass from Warner (Wright pass from Warner), 3:29. Attendance: 13,049.

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Navy: Arline 6-14-0-124. Temple: Warner 27-33-2-402

Navy: Arline 30-97, Chatman 7-22, Tecza 8-20, Fofana 2-4, Hassan 1-1. Temple: Saydee 8-38, Joq.Smith 5-12, Hubbard 7-4, Warner 1-2, Martin-Robinson 2-2, Wright 1-1, (Tem) 3-(minus 13).

Navy: Heidenreich 2-63, Chatman 2-35, Umbarger 1-22, Tecza 1-4. **Temple:** Baines 7-132, Wright 4-48, Martin-Robinson 3-50, Jor.Smith 3-50, Am.Anderson 2-81, Stewart 2-11, R.Clark 2-6, Joq.Smith 2-6, Hubbard 1-12, Saydee 1-6.

No. 1 Ohio State 35, Rutgers 16

OSU: Scott 14 pass from McCord (Fielding kick), 8:35.

OSU: Hancock 93 interception return (Fielding kick),

RUTG: J.Jackson 19 pass from Wimsatt (Patel kick),

**OSII**: Harrison 4 pass from McCord (Fielding kick), 12:02

**OSU:** Harrison 2 pass from McCord (Fielding kick), 2:07 Attendance: 53,703. Ohio State

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Ohio State: McCord 19-26-1-189. Rutgers: Wimsatt

Ohio State: Henderson 22-128, Trayanum 2-6, X.John-son 1-5, Egbuka 1-4, Mirco 1-2, McCord 2-(minus 6). Rutgers: Monangai 24-159, Wimsatt 13-49, S.Brown

**OSU:** Henderson 9 run (Fielding kick), 2:39.

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Temple 32, Navy 18

NAVY ..... TEMPLE .

FIRST QUARTER

SECOND QUARTER

THIRD QUARTER

from Arline), 6:13. FOURTH QUARTER

First Downs ..... Total Net Yards Rushes-Yards ...

Passing ...... Punt Returns

**Kickoff Returns** 

Punts ..... Fumbles-Lost

PASSING

RUSHING

RECEIVING

OHIO STATE .. RUTGERS .....

FIRST QUARTER

SECOND QUARTER

RUTG: FG Patel 22, 7:49. RUTG: FG Patel 21, 2:03. RUTG: FG Patel 20, :01.

THIRD QUARTER

FOURTH QUARTER

First Downs

Total Net Yards

Kickoff Returns .... Interceptions Ret. Comp-Att-Int ...... Sacked-Yards Lost Punts ...... Fumbles-Lost ....... Departice Yards

Penalties-Yards .... Time Of Possession

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10-25-1-129 RUSHING

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**Rushes-Yards** 

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## NCAA SATURDAY'S RESULTS East

Florida State 24, Pittsburgh 7 Piorida State 24, Pittsburgh Ohio State 35, Rutgers 16 Penn 23, Cornell 8 Penn State 51, Maryland 15 Temple 32, Navy 18 West Virginia 37, BYU 7 SOUTH SOUTH Alabama 42, LSU 28 Appalachian State 31, Marshall 9 Arkansas 39, Florida 36 Auburn 31, Vanderbilt 15 Clemson 31, Notre Dame 23 Coastal Carolina 28, Old Dominion 24 Georgia 30, Missouri 21 Georgia 17, de Strinia 17 Georgia 30, Missouri 21 Georgia Tech 45, Virginia 17 James Madison 42, Georgia State 14 Kentucky 24, Mississippi State 3 Liberty 56, Louisiana Tech 3 Memphis 59, South Florida 50 Mississippi 38, Texas A&M 35 North Carolina 59, Campbell 7 South Carolina 59, Jacksonville State 28 South Carolina State 27, Howard 24 Souther Mississippi 24, Louisiana Monr Southern Mississippi 24, Louisiana Monroe 7 Tennessee 59, Connecticut 3 Towson 42, North Carolina A&T 32 Tulane 13, East Carolina 10 UAB 45, FAU 42 MIDWEST MIDWES1 Central Florida 28, Cincinnati 26 Illinois 27, Minnesota 26 Indiana 20, Wisconsin 14 Iowa 10, Northwestern 7 Kansas 28, Iowa State 21 Michigan 41, Purdue 13 Michigan State 20, Nebraska 17 UCF 28, Cincinnati 26 Contrumerer SOUTHWEST Charlotte 33, Tulsa 26 (OT) Houston 25, Baylor 24 (OT) Oklahoma State 27, Oklahoma 24 Texas 33, Kansas State 30 (OT) UTSA 37, North Texas 29 WEST Army 23, Air Force 3 Hawaii 27, Nevada 14 Oregon 63, California 19 UNLV 56, New Mexico 14 Utah 55, Arizona State 3 Washington 52, Southern Cal 42 No. 11 Penn State 51. Maryland 15

#### PENN STATE MARYLAND 27 — 51 8 — 15 FIRST QUARTER

PSU: Cephas 6 pass from Allar (Felkins kick), 8:41. PSU: Th.Johnson 2 pass from Allar (Felkins kick), :02. SECOND QUARTER MD: Hemby 7 pass from Tagovailoa (Howes kick), 7:59. PSU: Warren 8 pass from Allar (Felkins kick), 2:34.

THIRD QUARTER PSU: FG Felkins 30, 9:26.

FOURTH OUARTER

**PSU:** Cephas 15 pass from Allar (Felkins kick), 13:55. **MD:** J.Jones 1 pass from Tagovailoa (Littleton run), 11:2 PSU: Allen 10 run (Felkins kick), 9:14. PSU: FG Felkins 35, 7:38.

**PSU:** FG Felkins 39, 2:51. **PSU:** Pribula 6 run (Felkins kick), 1:25. **Attendance:** 51,802.

	Penn State	Maryland
First Downs		14
Total Net Yards	404	234
Rushes-Yards	37-158	1649
Passing	246	283
Punt Returns	1-3	1-2
Kickoff Returns	2-68	1-0
Interceptions Ret		0-0
Comp-Att-Int		31-42-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-13	6-45
Punts		4-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-2
Penalties-Yards		4-45
Time Of Possession		22:46

#### PASSING

Penn State: Allar 25-34-0-240, Pribula 1-4-0-6, Lambert-Smith 0-1-0-0. Maryland: Tagovailoa 29-39-1-286, Ed-wards 2-3-1-(minus 3).

## RUSHING

Penn State: Allen 14-91, Allar 4-39, Singleton 8-20, Pribula 9-12, Smith 1-1, (Team) 1-(minus 5). Maryland: Edwards 1-4, Hempby 5-0, McDonald 1-(minus 3), Littleton 1-(minus 3), Tagovailoa 8-(minus 47).

### RECEIVING Penn State: Lambert-Smith 8-95, Cephas 6-53, Warren 4-51, Th. Johnson 4-19, Kh.Dinkins 1-16, Potts 1-6, Evans

#### No. 4 Florida State 24, Pittsburgh 7

FI ORIDA STATE ...0 10 14 0 - 24 ...0 7 0 0 - 7 PITTSRURGH SECOND QUARTER

PITT: Means 9 pass from Veilleux (Sauls kick), 8:38. FSU: Travis 1 run (Fitzgerald kick), 4:10. FSU: FG Fitzgerald 32, :30. THIRD QUARTER

FSU: M.Douglas 22 pass from Travis (Fitzgerald kick), Sizo. FSU: Benson 55 run (Fitzgerald kick), 1:11. Attendance: 57.557.

## Florida State

F	irst Downs	Florida State	Pittsburgh
	otal Net Yards		333
F	ushes-Yards	37-138	24-89
P	assing		244
P	unt Returns	12	0-0
k	ickoff Returns	0-0	1-15
1	nterceptions Ret		0-0
0	omp-Att-Int	23-37-0	15-36-1
S	acked-Yards Lost	2-25	3-21
P	unts	7-45.286	9-42.0
F	umbles-Lost		3-2
P	enalties-Yards	6-60	11-91
T	ime Of Possession	34:54	25:06

#### PASSING

Florida State: Travis 22-36-0-360, Rodemaker 1-1-0-3. Pittsburgh: Veilleux 15-35-1-244, (Team) 0-1-0-0 RUSHING

Florida State: Benson 12-97, Holmes 4-28, Toafili 8-23, R.Hill 6-5, Travis 7-(minus 15). Pittsburgh: Hammond 13-60, Carter 2-26, Flemister 5-23, Jurkovec 1-1, Veilleux 3-(minus 21)

#### RECEIVING

Florida State: J.Douglas 6-115, Bell 5-23, Morlock 4-80, M.Douglas 3-41, R.Hill 2-47, D.Hill 1-29, Jacobs 1-19, Williamson 1-9, Pittsburgh: Means 7-98, Mumpfield 3-99, Reynolds 3-29, Bartholomew 1-16, Epps 1-2.

#### No. 5 Washington 52, No. 20 Southern California 42

WASHINGTON . SOUTHERN CAL

FIRST OUARTER USC: R.Brown 2 run (Lynch kick), 8:56. WASH: D.Johnson 2 run (Gross kick), 3:38. USC: C.Williams 1 run (Lynch kick), :35.

#### SECOND OUARTER

WASH: Culp 22 pass from Penix (Gross kick), 11:37. USC: Barlow 1 run (Lynch kick), 9:31. WASH: D.Johnson 52 run (Gross kick), 6:44. USC: Washington 41 pass from C.Williams (Lynch kick),

WASH: Polk 4 pass from Penix (Gross kick), 1:14. WASH: D.Johnson 1 run (Gross kick), :20 THIRD QUARTER USC: Rice 25 pass from C.Williams (Lynch kick), 8:00.

WASH: Penix 1 run (Gross kick), 4:21. USC: Mar.Williams 20 pass from C.Williams (Lynch kick), 1:41. FOURTH QUARTER

WASH: FG Gross 43, 12:25 WASH: D.Johnson 1 run (G n (Gross kick), 2:20. Washington Southern Cal

First Downs		22
Total Net Yards	572	515
Rushes-Yards		27-203
Passing	256	312
Punt Returns		1-10
Kickoff Returns	5-112	3-43
Interceptions Ret	0-0	1-0
Comp-Att-Int		27-36-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-7	3-30
Punts		2-33.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-52	6-65
Time Of Possession	34:40	25:20
PASSING		

Washington: Penix 22-30-1-256. Southern Cal: C.Wil-liams 27-35-0-312, (Team) 0-1-0-0.

## RUSHING

Washington: D.Johnson 26-256, Nixon 4-24, Rogers 5-21, Bernard 1-15, Polk 1-7, (Team) 2-(minus 3), Penix 3-(minus 4). Southern Cal: Jones 11-127, Barlow 2-44, R.Brown 3-16, C.Williams 10-16, (Team) 1-0. RECEIVING

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RELEIVING Washington: Odunze 5-82, Polk 5-52, G.Jackson 3-19, Culp 2-27, D.Johnson 2-11, Cuevas 1-19, Rogers 1-15, Bernard 1-14, Westover 1-11, Nixon 1-6. Southern Cat Washington 8-122, Mar.Williams 4-42, McRee 4-22, Za.Branch 3-16, Rice 2-44, Hudson 2-10, R.Brown 2-4, Robinson 1-43, Singer 1-9.

#### No. 6 Oregon 63, California 19 CALIFORNIA .

## **AREA ROUNDUP**

## Yellow Jackets cruise past Cavaliers

## **GEORGIA TECH 45,** VIRGINIA 17

#### **FROM NEWS SERVICES** AND STAFF REPORTS

Haynes King ran for two touchdowns and threw for another and Dontae Smith ran for two more scores as Georgia Tech beat Virginia, 45-17, on Saturday in Charlottesville.

The Yellow Jackets (5-4, 4-2 ACC) won their second game in a row and reached their best win total in five seasons

Virginia (2-7, 1-4) lost quarterback Tony Muskett on the fifth play of the game when he was hit hard as he released a pass that was intercepted by Myles Sims.

The Yellow Jackets trailed 7-3 before King scored on a two-yard run with 8:42 left in the second quarter. He added a 34-yard scoring burst with 2:24 left in the half, and Smith broke off a 33-yard run on a third-and-14 play 28 seconds before halftime.

King hit Eric Singleton Jr. for a 58-yard touchdown on the opening series of the second half, and Smith bulled through the defense for a 10-yard scoring run in the fourth quarter for the Yellow Jackets, who piled up 514 total yards.

King passed for 208 yards and gained 83 more rushing. Haynes ran for 119 yards on 17 carries.

Freshman Anthony Colandrea, who replaced Muskett, threw two touchdown passes but was intercepted once and also lost a fumble.

•TEMPLE 32, NAVY 18: In Philadelphia, E.J. Warner threw for 402 yards with four touchdowns - two to Jordan Smith and the Owls pulled away late to

Warner completed 27 of 33 passes and Zae Baines had seven receptions for 132 yards for Temple (3-6, 1-4 American Athletic).

beat the Midshipmen.

Xavier Arline threw for 124 yards and a touchdown and ran for 97 yards for Navy (3-5, 2-3).

• JAMES MADISON 42. GEORGIA STATE 14: In Atlanta, Jordan McCloud accounted for six scores and the Dukes pulled away with four touchdowns in the second half to down the Panthers.

McCloud completed 28 of 36 passes for 307 yards and four touchdowns and rushed 13 times for 104 vards and two scores as JMU (9-0, 6-0 Sun Belt) extended its winning streak to 12 games dating to last season.

Georgia State fell to 6-3, 3-3. • CATHOLIC 40, WILKES 35: Madden Lowe completed 40 of 47 passes for 352 yards and four

touchdowns to spark the Cardinals over the Colonels in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Zach Williams gained 166 yards

from scrimmage and scored two touchdowns for Catholic (4-5, 2-3 Landmark Conference), including a two-vard run that put the Cardinals ahead for good late in the second quarter.

•VMI 31, EAST TENNESSEE STATE 24: Collin Shannon threw for 201 yards, Hunter Rice scored the go-ahead touchdown with less than two minutes left, and the Keydets (4-5, 3-3 Southern) scored 17 points in the fourth quarter to rally past the Buccaneers (2-7, 1-5) in Johnson City, Tenn.

•SHEPHERD 44, EAST STROUDSBURG 17: Seth Morgan threw for 245 yards and three touchdowns to lead the Rams (8-2, 5-2 Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference East) over the Warriors (8-2, 5-2) in Shepherdstown, W.Va.

Malakai Brown rushed for 149 vards and a touchdown and Jordan Barnett added 105 yards on the ground and another score for Shepherd.

•TOWSON 42, NORTH CAROLINA A&T 32: Devin Matthews ran for three touchdowns, Nathan Kent threw for 263 yards and two scores, and the Tigers (4-5, 3-3 Coastal Athletic Association) outscored the Aggies (1-8, 0-6) in Greensboro, N.C.

• MORGAN STATE 24, DEL-AWARE STATE 17: Tahj Smith threw two touchdown passes as the Bears (3-5, 2-1 Mid-Eastern Athletic) defeated the Hornets (1-8, 0-3) in Baltimore.

• ALBANY 24, WILLIAM & MARY 8: Griffin Woodell rushed for 100 yards, Aamir Hall returned an interception for a touchdown, and the Great Danes (7-3, 5-1 CAA) downed the Tribe (5-4, 3-3) in Albany, N.Y.

• HAMPTON 42, MAINE 35: Elijah Burris ran for four touchdowns, two in the fourth quarter as the visiting Pirates (5-4, 3-3 CAA) rallied past the Black Bears (2-8, 1-6) in Orono.

• COASTAL CAROLINA 28, **OLD DOMINION 24: Quarter**back Ethan Vasko accounted for 350 total yards and two touchdowns and his 14-vard scoring pass to Sam Pinckney with 23 seconds left gave the Chanticleers (6-3, 4-2 Sun Belt) a win over the Monarchs (4-5, 3-3) in Norfolk.

•NORTH CAROLINA CEN-TRAL 38, NORFOLK STATE 24: In Durham, N.C., Davius Richard accounted for four touchdowns and the Eagles (8-1, 3-0 MEAC) won their sixth in a row with a rout of the Spartans (2-7, 0-3).



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RECEIVING Penn State: Lambert-Smith 8-95, Cephas 6-53, Warren 4-51, Th.Johnson 4-19, Kh.Dinkins 1-16, Potts 1-6, Evans 1-5, Allen 1-1. Maryland: Dyches 8-60, O.Smith 5-31, Felton 4-75, J.Jones 4-25, Prather 3-58, Howard 2-16,	Ohio State: Henderson 5-80, Egbuka 4-29, Harrison 4-25, Scott 3-24, Tate 2-31, X.Johnson 1-0. Rutgers: Dremel 5-69, Jackson 3-41, Langan 1-13, Washington 1-6.
Hemby 2-10, Knotts 1-5, McDonald 1-3, R.Smith 1-0.	No. 2 Georgia 30, No. 12 Missouri 21
Virginia Tech 3	MISSOURI
VIRGINIA TECH 0 3 0 0 - 3 Louisville	GEORGIA 3 7 14 6 – 30 FIRST QUARTER
FIRST QUARTER LOU: Jordan 1 run (B.Travelstead kick), 6:53.	UGA: FG Woodring 33, 10:17. MIZZ: Burden 39 pass from Cook (Mevis kick), 5:45.
SECOND QUARTER	SECOND QUARTER UGA: Lovett 6 pass from Beck (Woodring kick), 13:38.
LOU: Guerendo 39 run (B.Travelstead kick), 14:52. VT: FG Love 44, :00.	MIZZ: FG Mevis 37, 4:14.
THIRD QUARTER LOU: Thompson 37 pass from Plummer (B.Travelstead kick), 9:38. LOU: Guerendo 12 run (kick failed), 6:58.	THIRD QUARTER MIZZ: FG Meyis 42, 11:42. UGA: Milton 15 run (Woodring kick), 8:10. UGA: Delp 5 pass from Beck (Woodring kick), :38.
FOURTH QUARTER LOU: Guerendo 36 run (B.Travelstead kick), 8:16. Attendance: 49,945.	FOURTH QUARTER MIZZ: Schrader 12 run (Burden pass from Cook), 12:50. UGA: FG Woodring 30, 8:59.
Virginia Tech Louisville First Downs 12 17	UGA: FG Woodring 48, 3:57. Attendance: 92,746.
Total Net Yards         140         382           Rushes-Yards         28-68         38-231	Missouri Georgia First Downs
Passing	Total Net Yards         363         385           Rushes-Yards         34-151         33-131
Kickoff Returns         4-79         1-10           Interceptions Ret.         0-0         1-15	Passing
Comp-Att-Int	Kickoff Returns 2-18 4-105
Punts 7-42.286 4-46.0 Fumbles-Lost	Comp-Att-Int 14-29-1 21-32-0
Penalties-Yards 6-38 6-50	Sacked-Yards Lost
Time Of Possession 27:45 32:15 PASSING	Fumbles-Lost
Virginia Tech: Drones 12-21-1-69, Wells 1-2-0-3. Louis- ville: Plummer 11-12-0-141, Domann 1-1-0-10.	Time Of Possession         25:42         34:18           PASSING         34:18         34:18
RUSHING Virginia Tech: Tuten 11-57, Drones 11-6, Lane 2-2,	Missouri: Cook 14-29-1-212. Georgia: Beck 21-32-0-254.
Thomas 2-2, Duke 1-1, Black 1-0. <b>Louisville:</b> Guerendo 11-146, Jordan 14-57, Plummer 5-18, Turner 7-13, Gatewood 1-(minus 3).	RUSHING Missouri: Schrader 22-112, Cook 10-39, Peat 2-0. Geor- gia: Edwards 16-77, Milton 9-44, Beck 6-9, Vandagriff 1-1, (Team) 1-0.
RECEIVING Virginia Tech: Felton 4-34, Lane 3-13, Tuten 3-3,	RECEIVING
S.Gosnell 2-19, Duke 1-3. <b>Louisville:</b> C.Bell 3-43, Thomp- son 2-49, Jordan 2-4, Gatewood 1-18, Coleman 1-10, Kurisky 1-10, Calloway 1-9, Turner 1-8.	Missouri: Wease 5-90, Burden 3-53, Schrader 3-14, Cooper 2-32, M.Miller 1-23. Georgia: McConkey 7-95, Lovett 4-33, R.Thomas 3-36, Delp 3-33, Edwards 2-28, Rosemy-Jacksaint 1-18, Mews 1-11.
Georgia Tech 45, Virginia 17	No. 3 Michigan 41, Purdue 13
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FIRST QUARTER UVA: Rawlings 9 pass from Colandrea (Bettridge kick), 8:30.	MICHIGAN 17 3 7 14 - 41 First Quarter
<b>GT:</b> FG Birr 41, 5:26.	MICH: Corum 2 run (Turner kick), 10:30. MICH: Corum 3 run (Turner kick), 6:05.
SECOND QUARTER GT: H.King 2 run (Birr kick), 8:42.	MICH: FG Turner 30, 4:20.
GT: H.King 34 run (Birr kick), 2:24. GT: Smith 33 run (Birr kick), :28.	SECOND QUARTER MICH: FG Turner 31, 7:10.
UVA: FG Bettridge 39, :00. THIRD QUARTER	<b>PUR:</b> FG Freehill 32, 3:52. <b>PUR:</b> FG Freehill 31, :29.
GT: Singleton 58 pass from H.King (Birr kick), 12:41.	THIRD QUARTER
FOURTH QUARTER GT: Smith 10 run (Birr kick), 10:57.	MICH: S.Morgan 44 run (Turner kick), 3:12.
UVA: Pace 8 pass from Colandrea (Bettridge kick), 8:47. GT: Haynes 43 run (Birr kick), 7:56.	FOURTH QUARTER MICH: Corum 3 run (Turner kick), 14:18.
Attendance: 42,606.	MICH: Edwards 1 run (Turner kick), 4:30. PUR: Burks 24 pass from Card (Freehill kick), :18.
Georgia Tech Virginia First Downs	Purdue Michigan
Total Net Yards         514         351           Rushes-Yards         44-305         29-119	First Downs         10         22           Total Net Yards         269         445
Passing         209         232           Punt Returns         1-23         2-12	Rushes-Yards
Kickoff Returns         1-22         4-97           Interceptions Ret         2-11         0-0	Punt Returns         0-0         5-39           Kickoff Returns         1-12         1-21
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Time Of Possession	Penalties-Yards         5-58         1-10           Time Of Possession         26:06         33:54
PASSING Georgia Tech: H.King 23-30-0-208, Pyron 1-3-0-1. Vir- ginia: Colandrea 21-37-1-200, Brosterhous 1-1-0-21, Muskett 1-2-1-11.	PASSING Purdue: Card 12-28-1-144. Michigan: McCarthy 24-37-0- 335.
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6-26, P.Jones 9-26, Hollins 5-25, Muskett 1-6, Foston 1-3.	ings 4-20, C.Johnson 1-14, (Team) 1-(minus 2), McCar- thy 4-(minus 31).
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FIRST QUARTER ORE: Te.Johnson 48 pass from Nix (Lewis kick), 7:00. ORE: Nix 1 run (Lewis kick), 4:40. CAL: FG Bhaghani 43, 1:39. CAL: NWilliams 9 fumble return (Bhaghani kick), 1:32. SECOND QUARTER CAL: FG Bhaghani 27, 11:28. ORE: Nix 1 run (Lewis kick), 5:21. ORE: Tc. Johnson 14 pass from Nix (Lewis kick), 1:39. ORE: Franklin 7 pass from Nix (Lewis kick), :06. THIRD OUARTER CAL: Ott 20 run (pass failed), 13:47. ORE: Irving 6 run (Lewis kick), 8:30. FOURTH OUARTER ORE: Ferguson 4 pass from Nix (Lewis kick), 14:11. ORE: JJames 16 run (Lewis kick), 9:51. ORE: Holden 6 pass from Thompson (Lewis kick), 2:26. Attendance: 54,046. Californi Oregoi First Downs ..... Total Net Yards Rushes-Yards . . 29-109 Passing ...... Punt Returns . 177 Kickoff Returns . 4-55 4-78 1-6 35-46-1 0-0 2-54.5 0-0 9-98 36:34 Interceptions Ret. . Comp-Att-Int ...... Sacked-Yards Lost 18-34-1 ... 1-21 5-44.6 Fumbles-Lost ...... Penalties-Yards .... Time Of Possession .... 3-2 ... 3-23 . 23:26 PASSING **California:** Mendoza 18-34-1-177. **Oregon:** Nix 29-38-1-386, Thompson 6-8-0-58. RUSHING California Ott 20-93, J.Thomas 3-19, Williams-Thomas 3-9, Mendoza 3-(minus 12). Oregon: Irving 18-89, J.James 7-44, Limar 3-20, Dowdell 2-13, Nix 5-3, Te.Johnson 1-(minus 16). RECEIVING California: J.Hunter 5-64, Grizzell 4-50, Ott 4-15, Endries 2-10, Hightower 1-18, M.Young 1-13, Davis 1-7. Oregon: Te.Johnson 12-180, Franklin 6-79, Holden 5-48, Irving 4-28, Ferguson 3-35, Bryant 2-38, J.James 2-30, Limar 1-6. No. 7 Texas 33, No. 23 Kansas State 30 (OT) KANSAS STATE .... TEXAS ..... ...0 7 7 16 0-30 .10 7 10 3 3-33 FIRST OUARTER TEX: A.Mitchell 37 pass from M.Murphy (Auburn kick) TEX: FG Auburn 32, 1:06. SECOND QUARTER TEX: Baxter 54 run (Auburn kick), 11:34. KSU: P.Brooks 6 pass from Howard (Tennant kick), :54. THIRD OUARTER TEX: J.Brooks 5 run (Auburn kick), 9:21. TEX: FG Auburn 49, 4:13. KSU: P.Brooks 26 pass from Howard (Tennant kick), :00. FOURTH QUARTER KSU: K.Johnson 12 pass from Howard (Tennant kick). KSU: Brown 32 pass from Howard (run failed), 12:37. TEX: FG Auburn 34, 6:03. KSU: FG Tennant 45, :01. FIRST OVERTIME TEX: FG Auburn 42, :00. Attendance: 102,846. Kansas Stat Texas First Downs .... Total Net Yards 18 478 37-230 . 20 360

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Passing	327	248
Punt Returns	2-15	2-52
Kickoff Returns	0-0	2-17
Interceptions Ret	2-37	1-0
Comp-Att-Int	26-44-1	19-37-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-22	0-0
Punts	7-45.429	5-34.4
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards		10-67
Time Of Possession	27:52	32:08
PASSING		

Kansas State: Howard 26-42-1-327, (Team) 0-1-0-0, A.Johnson 0-1-0-0. Texas: M.Murphy 19-37-2-248. RUSHING

Kansas State: Ward 9-30, Giddens 9-22, K.Johnson 1-2, A.Johnson 1-(minus 1), Howard 9-(minus 20). Texas: J.Brooks 22-112, Baxter 10-90, Worthy 1-16, Blue 2-11, Robinson 1-8, Red 1-(minus 7).

#### RECEIVING

Kansas State: K.Johnson 7-70, Brooks 5-76, Sinnott 5-69, Brown 4-77, Giddens 3-23, Ward 2-12. Texas: A.Mitchell 8-149, Worthy 5-48, Whittington 3-23, Sanders 2-21, Cook 1-7

Tyler Warren (44) had an eight-yard touchdown catch to give Penn State a 21-7 second-quarter lead.

## Terps stay cold in loss to Nittany Lions

have no problem in owning that." The outcome became all but certain early in the fourth quarter after Penn State capped an 88-yard touchdown drive with a 15-yard pass from quarterback Drew Allar to wide receiver Dante Cephas, extending its lead

touchdown several minutes later before redshirt senior quarterback Taulia Tagovailoa threw an interception and lost a fumble as No. 11 Penn State (8-1, 5-1) piled on. The Terrapins fell to 2-21 at home in November and December since 2011, and their record against ranked Big Ten opponents since joining the conference in 2014 reached 0-33.

Tagovailoa finished 29 for 39 for 286 yards and two touchdowns, setting a career high with 17 consecutive completions to start the game. That opening streak also tied him with South Carolina's Spencer Rattler for the longest this year in major college football.

But the vast majority of the highlights belonged to Penn State, which amassed 404 yards of total offense, including 158 rushing, and continued its recent supremacy over the Terrapins in College Park. Maryland has lost the past four home games in the series by an average margin of

nearly 44 points.

The Nittany Lions scored points on their last five possessions of the game.

"Only thing you can do is keep playing, keep playing hard, keep motivating people, make sure we stay together," Maryland defensive end Donnell Brown said. "I think the only thing about us is just figuring out who we are and looking in the mirror, especially after a loss like this."

Maryland kept the game close deep into the first half before defensive miscues contributed to Penn State's touchdown that grew its lead to 21-7 with 2:34 remaining in the second quarter. Allar capped the 75-yard drive with an eight-yard scoring throw to tight end Tyler Warren, who caught the ball in between safety Beau Brade and cornerback Ja'Quan Sheppard.

Maryland permitted a pair of third-down conversions during the series. The second of those came on third and eight from the Maryland 20 with no Terrapins defenders in striking distance of Cephas, permitting the redshirt senior to gather an uncontested reception for 14 yards to set up first and goal at the 6.

Maryland had built momentum on its previous possession, holding the ball for more than seven minutes before scoring its first points when Tagovailoa eluded pressure in the backfield and delivered a seven-yard touchdown throw to running back Roman Hemby. The sophomore caught the pass at the 4 and broke the plane, trimming the deficit to 14-7 with 7:59 left until halftime.

The 13-play drive covering 75

vards included a roughing-thekicker call against Penn State's Liam Clifford on punter Colton Spangler, allowing Maryland to extend the possession.

"We're still together," said Terrapins wide receiver Tai Felton, who had four catches for 75 yards. "As you can see we're still out there playing ball. We've just got to get back to the drawing board. There's really not much to it. We've got to be better. I've got to be better myself."

A trick play had expanded Penn State's advantage to 14-0 with two seconds to go in the first quarter.

The play began with Allar lining up three yards directly behind center but moving left into the slot, allowing Beau Pribula, the Nittany Lions' backup quarterback who entered for the first time on the previous play, to take the snap. Pribula then gently tossed the ball back to Allar, who scrambled and flicked a three-yard pass to tight end Theo Johnson for a touchdown.

Maryland linebacker Kellan Wyatt had his arms around Allar's feet but could not bring the sophomore to the ground before he released the ball awkwardly into the front middle portion of the end zone.

"I don't see anyone in that locker room quitting," Locksley said. "We're obviously facing adversity as a program, and the only way to get out of it is to work. And our guys have continued to give us the work Monday through Friday, but we just have not played well or executed on Saturday, and I've got to find a way to get us to play next Saturday.'

MARYLAND FROM D1 struggled to run the ball today. Give some credit to Penn State's front. They are as advertised, but

to 31-7. Maryland added a cosmetic

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I don't think they're 51-15 better. I don't think we played to our potential, and when you don't play to your potential, the first place you look is at me, and I

## **BREEDERS' CUP**

## **Dutrow's White Abarrio** wins \$6 million Classic

### BY BETH HARRIS

ARCADIA, CALIF. — White Abarrio won the \$6 million Breeders' Cup Classic by a length Saturday, putting trainer Rick Dutrow back on top months after his 10-year exile from the sport ended.

A celebratory Dutrow hugged anyone he could in the winner's circle before throwing his arms around White Abarrio. He previously won the Classic in 2005 with Saint Liam.

"It feels unbelievable," Dutrow said. "I love it."

Ridden by Irad Ortiz Jr., White Abarrio ran 1¼ miles in 2:02.87. Sent off as the 5-2 favorite, the gray colt paid \$7.20 to win.

"I thought that he was a winner the whole way around the track," Dutrow said.

Dutrow saddled White Abarrio for just the third time. The 4-yearold colt was previously trained by Saffie Joseph Jr., but the owners moved him to Dutrow's barn after two of Joseph's other horses died this spring.

Dutrow returned to training this year after serving a 10-year suspension by New York racing officials for a history of violations. The 64-year-old trained Big Brown to victories in the 2008 Kentucky Derby and Preakness. Japan-bred Derma Sotogake

was second, and Proxy was third. Cody's Wish rallied from last and survived a stewards' inquiry to defend his title in the \$1 million

Dirt Mile. Ridden by Junior Alvarado,

Cody's Wish ran the distance in 1:35.97. Sent off as the 4-5 favorite, the 5-year-old paid \$3.60 to win.

Cody's Wish dueled leader National Treasure down the stretch. Cody's Wish twice bumped National Treasure and jockey Flavien Prat before the Preakness winner made contact with Cody's Wish, triggering the inquiry.

'Right when I got next to National Treasure, I know he kind of came out and tried to meet with my horse," Alvarado said. "I just think at that point where he's

brushing my horse, I had the bigger horse and the mean horse. probably. I think my horse was feeling a little bit of a fight, and he tried to go right after the other horse.

The stewards studied video replays for seven minutes while the two horses were walked in circles on the track and the crowd waited to see which would get his picture taken in the winner's circle.

It was Cody's Wish by a nose.

"I knew it was nothing really to change the outcome," Alvarado said. "My horse was already in front; he was never going to let that other horse go by again."

Bob Baffert, who trains National Treasure, nodded his head at the finish, seemingly knowing that he had lost by the slimmest margin in horse racing.

The victory ensured a storybook ending for Cody's Wish in his final race before retirement. He won 11 of 16 career starts, including eight in stakes races, and over \$3.1 million in earnings.

Waiting in the winner's circle during the inquiry was Cody Dorman, a teenager who has a rare genetic disorder and uses a wheelchair. He and the horse first met during a Make-A-Wish visit to a Kentucky farm when Cody's Wish was a foal in 2018. Cody's Wish walked over to Dorman's wheelchair and put his head in the boy's lap, creating a touching bond.

"I think that horse probably saved Cody's life in a lot of ways. said Kelly Dorman, the boy's father. "I know him and the horse have made a lot of lives better."

The Dormans were on hand last year when Cody's Wish won the Dirt Mile by a head at Keeneland, and they joined Hall of Fame trainer Bill Mott in celebrating again.

"It's probably one of the most memorable rides that we've all been on," Mott said.

Mott and Alvarado teamed to win their second Cup race of the weekend. They took the \$2 million Juvenile Fillies with Just F Y I on Friday.

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## Pierce gets opportunity to clean up the Raiders' mess

Mark Davis is, 0n remarkably, in the NFL almost the same spot he found JASON

himself two years LA CANFORA ago: with more than two months remaining on the NFL schedule and someone with no head coaching experience running his football club.

In 2021, the mess was not of the Las Vegas Raiders owner's own doing; the emergence of inappropriate emails from thencoach Jon Gruden resulted in the midseason shift to longtime special teams coach Rich Bisaccia. This time, though, it was all Davis after he opted to fire Josh McDaniels and the coach's handpicked general manager (Dave Ziegler) and offensive coordinator (Mick Lombardi) following Monday night's dire outing against the Detroit Lions.

The previous change prompted the best stretch of

because he is not permitted to comment on the operations of other teams.) "He just blew everything up at the trade deadline. The last two coaches had total control of the building and too much power, and he's still paying them both. Hiring [Pierce] would be totally different for him, and for a lot less. If they play hard for him, I

could see it.' Davis is viewed around the league as malleable and easy to persuade; keeping Pierce, 45, who has limited experience coaching in high school and college, let alone the NFL - his first pro gig began last year as the Raiders' linebackers coach would be entirely his call. His creation. His guy. Pierce grew up a Raiders fan in Compton, Calif., at the peak of the franchise's cultural relevance, is a fiery leader and can relate to players in a very different way than Gruden or McDaniels, factors that will probably resonate with And the bar for progress in Las Vegas is set quite low.

### Another error in Chicago

**Disgruntled Bears cornerback** Jaylon Johnson, whom the team opted not to make clearly available until close to the trade deadline, has no future in Chicago.

Sometimes, post-deadline rhetoric is just talk, but in this case, when Johnson says he is not interested in a contract extension with the Bears, believe him. More to the point, based on conversations with multiple NFL general managers who were in contact with Johnson's representatives once granted permission by the Bears, the bad blood between him the team that selected him in the second round in 2020 will lead to his departure as a free agent in the offseason.

"That's over – trust me," said one GM involved in the process. "The agent told us there was no way he was signing back there no just in October like a lot of these guys. He's the best at this."...

The overriding sentiment from executives who were in contact with the Seahawks around the deadline is that the franchise has a path to the NFC West title right now, with the 49ers injured and stumbling. "They are going for it," one rival GM said. "They'll keep adding guys off the street, too. That team is going to be sold in 2025, and [Coach Pete Carroll] can't do this forever. They feel like they've got a two-year window there to make something happen."..

Wherever Bill Belichick ends up next — with each passing week, his departure from New England after this season is considered more of a fait accompli in industry circles look for McDaniels to be with him running his offense. Bill O'Brien's work with third-year quarterback Mac Jones is earning no laurels, in that building or around the league,

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## carried by two Jayhawks

Chalk it up: Philadelphia

## 76ERS 112, **SUNS 100**

### **Associated Press**

The Philadelphia 76ers needed a lift from a big man out of Kansas each time the undermanned Phoenix Suns made a run at the lead.

Joel Embiid?

**NBA ROUNDUP** 

Sure, the reigning NBA MVP did his part with another doubledouble and even got to watch the fourth quarter from the bench.

But the former Jayhawk with the big buckets in this one -17points at the half - was Kelly Oubre Jr. The early surprise of the season. Oubre has done more than fit in with the 76ers – he found a way to stand out with his third 20-point game of the season.

"He's athletic and can put the ball on the floor and shoot," Embiid said. "It's that simple."

Embiid had 26 points and 11 rebounds, Oubre scored 25 points, and Philadelphia upended Phoenix, 112-100, at home Saturday for its fourth straight win.

With Bradley Beal (back spasms) and Devin Booker (sprained left ankle) sitting out, the Suns faltered in the fourth quarter and lost their third straight. Kevin Durant kept Phoenix within striking range until late with 31 points. He made 12 of 14 free throws.

Tyrese Maxey overcame a slow start and had 22 points and 10 assists for the 76ers. Tobias Harris added 18 points and 10 rebounds.

• MAGIC 120, LAKERS 101: Franz Wagner scored 26 points and Paolo Banchero added 25 points, 10 assists and seven rebounds as Orlando trounced visiting Los Angeles.

Rookie Anthony Black got his first start for the Magic and scored 11 points. Goga Bitadze started at center for Orlando and finished with 10 points, 10 rebounds and five blocks

Anthony Davis had 28 points, 13 rebounds and seven blocks for the Lakers. LeBron James finished with 24 points and nine rebounds.

•HAWKS 123, PELICANS 105: In New Orleans, Trae Young had 22 points and 12 assists to help vault Atlanta to its fourth consecutive victory.

Jalen Johnson added 21 points and 11 rebounds and Dejounte

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#### vs Charlotte Hornets

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Murray scored 20 for the Hawks, who trailed by 10 early in the second half before surging in front with a 30-10 run.

Atlanta's victory came despite the return of both Zion Williamson (25 points) and Brandon Ingram (16) to the Pelicans' lineup.

•HORNETS 125, PACERS 124: In Indianapolis, Mark Williams scored 27 points, Gordon Hayward had 23 and Charlotte snapped a three-game losing streak.

Terry Rozier scored 22 and has scored 20 or more in all five Hornets games this season.

Tyrese Haliburton tied a career high with 43 points to lead the Pacers, who have lost three of four. • TIMBERWOLVES

123, JAZZ 95: Karl-Anthony Towns scored 15 of his season-high 25 points in a dominant third-quarter stretch as Minnesota pulled away in a blowout of Utah in Minneapolis.

Anthony Edwards led the Timberwolves with 31 points: 19 in the first half and 12 in the fourth quar-

Lauri Markkanen led the Jazz with 22 points.

•CELTICS 124, NETS 112: Jayson Tatum scored 32 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to propel Boston to a victory in New York.

Tatum was one of five players to finish in double-figure scoring for the Celtics, who improved to 5-0.

Jaylen Brown had 23 points for Boston, and Kristaps Porzingis added 22.

Cam Thomas led Brooklyn with 27.

• ROCKETS 107, KINGS 89: Dillon Brooks scored 12 of his 26 points in the fourth quarter to help propel host Houston past Sacramento.

The Rockets won their second straight after they opened the season with three consecutive losses.

Raiders football since Davis took over for his father. They defied he odds to finish 7-5 under Bisaccia, including an upset of he Dallas Cowboys on Thanksgiving and four straight vins to end the regular season, efore a hard-fought, 26-19 loss o a rising Bengals team in the irst round of the playoffs.

I bring this all up now, in the aftermath of Davis naming former New York Giants and Washington linebacker Antonio Pierce his interim coach, not because other coaches and executives around the league believe Davis will turn back to Bisaccia - now the Packers' assistant head coach and special teams coordinator — next season. But rather because this might, finally, be the occasion in which an interim head coach gets to keep the job, something exceedingly rare for coaches of color.

"He's a total wild card," one NFL general manager said of Davis after the late-night firings. (The general manager spoke on the condition of anonymity

## **NFL NOTES**

Davis (and partly explain the decision to turn to him in the first place). For what it's worth, that locker room seemed utterly loose and almost jubilant as reporters strolled in midweek.

Player morale in Las Vegas was low before the change, and many of the stars Davis is paying the most money were desperate to get out at the deadline. If that sentiment changes a bit under Pierce, that also would hold sway with the owner, rival executives believe. Winning games with this roster won't be easy, but more conventional coaching moves have brought Davis nothing but sunk costs to this point. And keep in mind that his father, Al, was a champion of diversity and was his own man and an iconoclast perhaps to a fault, a shadow that has always engulfed his son.

"This feels like the kind of thing his old man might have done," one longtime NFL executive said.

Seller's remorse about Bisaccia might just lead to buying the interim coach this time around.

matter what, and I believe him. And the Bears know it, too. He's gone. So now you're looking at a 2025 comp pick instead of something to help you next year."

For a perpetually rebuilding team with so few blue chip players, Chicago's self-induced errors keep coming.

#### Notes from around the league

Of all the deals made in October, the one executives I spoke with believe could have the biggest impact is the Eagles' acquisition of former all-pro safety Kevin Byard. If nothing else, it was lauded as one of the top value acquisitions. Eagles General Manager Howie Roseman "is the best in the league at this, man; he really is," said one rival executive who was in contact with Roseman. "Some guys wait until a few days before the deadline, but Howie works the trade market like 365 days a year. He is always on the phone, always trying to figure out who is in the doghouse or might become available. He's always looking for an edge in the trade market, not

and McDaniels's work with Jones as a rookie looks even more significant in hindsight. "Josh is his guy," one general manager said of Belichick. "That's his next OC." . . .

With the Desmond Ridder experiment finally over, and with Atlanta Falcons Coach Arthur Smith a fan of reunions with his former quarterbacks — such as Marcus Mariota, who followed Smith from Tennessee to Atlanta – might another be in store in 2024? Ryan Tannehill is poised to be the top free agent quarterback in a weak class, especially with Kirk Cousins injuring his Achilles' tendon and probably returning to the Minnesota Vikings anyhow, and the Falcons are going to finish way too high in the standings to get a top quarterback in the first round of the draft next spring. Owner Arthur Blank seems to relish low-money Hail Marys at that position in recent years, but even if Tannehill looks like a fit, such a signing would probably land with the same thud as those previous moves.

## Sweat, Bears agree on four-year, \$98M extension

### **FROM NEWS SERVICES** AND STAFF REPORTS

Defensive end Montez Sweat agreed to a four-year, \$98 million extension with the Chicago Bears that includes more than \$72 million in guarantees, according to a person with knowledge of the terms.

The contract makes Sweat the fifth-highest-paid edge rusher in the NFL in average annual value (\$24.5 million), according to the contracts website Over the Cap, and allows Chicago to preserve its franchise tag for 2024.

The Washington Commanders traded Sweat to the Bears on Tuesday for a 2024 second-round pick. It was the first of two deals the Commanders made before the league's trade deadline; they also sent defensive end Chase Young to the San Francisco 49ers for a compensatory third-round pick.

"We expect him to come here and help our entire team get better," Bears General Manager Ryan Poles said of Sweat to Chicago media Wednesday. "We see him as a long, fast, explosive, relentless defensive end that can help us both in the run and in the pass game, and, really, I see him as a multiplier. He's going to allow everyone to play better - our entire defensive front, our corners, our safeties."

Washington selected Sweat with the 26th pick of the 2019 draft after trading up. The former Mississippi State standout still holds the record for the fastest 40-yard dash by a defensive lineman at the NFL combine and has one of the longest wingspans among his position group.

In his four-plus seasons with the Commanders, Sweat totaled 35.5 sacks, 85 quarterback hits, nine forced fumbles and 11 passes defended.

– Nicki Jhabvala • JETS: Aaron Rodgers reaffirmed that he hopes to be back on the field this season for New York. The 39-year-old quarterback, who was among those in the crowd at Santa Anita Park for the Breeders' Cup, told NBC Sports

that he is rehabbing daily and "feeling good." Rodgers tore his left Achilles' tendon four snaps into his debut with the Jets on Sept. 11.

There have been some signs of hope - the most recent coming last weekend when he dropped back and put some weight on his injured left leg as he threw several passes during warmups before the Jets' game against the New York Giants.

• CHARGERS: Wide receiver Joshua Palmer will miss Los Angeles's game against the Jets on Monday night with a knee injury.

Palmer, who did not practice all week, is second on the Chargers in receptions (23) and receiving yards (377). He was limited by knee problems in last week's game against the Bears and had three catches for 24 yards.

With Palmer out of the lineup, first-round pick Quentin Johnston is expected to get more snaps. Johnston had five catches for 50 yards last week after being limited to one catch in the previous two games.

• DOLPHINS: Miami activated left tackle Terron Armstead off injured reserve ahead of its game against the Kansas City Chiefs in Frankfurt, Germany.

Armstead sustained a knee injury in Week 4 against the Buffalo Bills, had been limited in practice this week and was listed as questionable for Sunday.

Armstead is now set to return to the league's No. 1 offense on a line that has allowed just 12 sacks through eight games.

• MISC.: NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell said Berlin has shown "a lot of interest" in hosting a game as the league plans to extend its agreement to play in Germany beyond 2025.

Frankfurt is hosting two games starting Sunday when the Chiefs play the Dolphins at Deutsche Bank Park. The first regular season game was played last year in Munich.

The current deal calls for one game next season – it's scheduled for Munich - and another in 2025, probably in Frankfurt.

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## NFL WEEK 9

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## Washington Commanders (3-5) at New England Patriots (2-6)

Time: 1 p.m. TV: Fox. Radio: WBIG (100.3 FM). Line: Patriots by 3. For in-game analysis, live stats and discussion, read our live blog at *postsports.com*.



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QB RB	Sam Howell Brian Robinson Jr.	Jacoby Brissett Antonio Gibson
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WR	Dvami Brown	Bvron Pringle
TE	Logan Thomas	John Bates
LT	Charles Leno Jr.	Cornelius Lucas
LG	Chris Paul	Nolan Laufenberg
С	Tyler Larsen	Nick Gates
RG	Sam Cosmi	Alex Akingbulu
RT	Andrew Wylie	Trent Scott

### **DEFENSE AND SPECIAL TEAMS**

DE	James Smith-Williams	Efe Obada
DT	Daron Pavne	John Ridgeway
DT	Jonathan Allen	Phidarian Mathis
DE	Casev Toohill	Andre Jones Jr.
MLB	David Mavo	Khaleke Hudson
OLB	Jamin Davis	Jabril Cox
CB	Kendall Fuller	Quan Martin
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Mac Jones's propensity for turnovers — he is tied for third in the NFL with 10 — has played a major role in the Patriots' struggles.

**BY THE NUMBERS** 

#### .229 WINNING PERCENTAGE

New England Patriots Coach Bill Belichick's reputation for bamboozling young opposing quarterbacks is well deserved and will be a test for Sam Howell this week. Since 2000, quarterbacks in their first or second seasons have gone 19-64 (.229) against him, according to the website TruMedia. Other stats are just as abysmal: 55.4 completion percentage, 190 passing yards per game, 88 touchdowns to 109 interceptions. Over the past two seasons, even as serious cracks have started to show in Belichick's team, it hasn't really faltered against young passers, embarrassing the Colts' Sam Ehlinger and the Jets' Zach Wilson (twice). In 2022, Justin Fields was able to use his arms and legs to lead Chicago past the Patriots, 33-14.

## **36.3 PERCENT BLITZ RATE**

that's going to help you. But sometimes it's going to lie to you as well. That's the thing that we've tried to get across to Sam: 'You've just got to be prepared for the looks that you get presnap and post-snap.' And so he'll have to make his decisions quickly."

### **MINUS-0.18 EPA PER DROPBACK**

By expected points added, an advanced metric that gives yards context, New England has one of the worst passing offenses in the NFL. It's bad in large part because Mac Jones is tied for third in the NFL with 10 turnovers (eight interceptions, two fumbles). But it also has struggled mightily to throw on third and fourth down, converting just 24 of 91 chances (26 percent). For Washington, with a pass rush remade by Tuesday's trades of Chase Young to the 49ers and Montez Sweat to the Bears, it will be

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> For the second time in three weeks, the Commanders will face a blitzheavy defense. The Patriots send pressure 36.3 percent of the time, which ranks fifth in the NFL. Commanders Coach Ron Rivera stressed that New England's scheme is already difficult because of how well the unit disguises its intentions by mixing up the appearances of fronts, coverages, stunts, alignments and personnel groupings. "Across the board, they try not to give you the clues [to figure out the defense presnap]," he said. "You can do the different motions and shifts that you do, and for the most part,

important to generate pressure on Jones. He'll be without two of his top wide receivers: Kendrick Bourne, who suffered a season-ending ACL tear last week, and DeVante Parker (concussion). If the Commanders can pressure Jones and avoid the blown coverages that creep up in most weeks, their defense could keep a lid on the limited Patriots offense. "They have tremendous situational awareness, so we're going to need to have that ourselves," Commanders defensive coordinator Jack Del Rio said. "They're physical and well coached."

- Sam Fortier

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## SCHEDULE

Week 4 at Commanders 20, Cardinals 16 Week 5 Commanders 35, at Broncos 33 Week 6

at Eagles 34, Commanders 31 (OT) Bears 40. at Commanders 20 Commanders 24, at Falcons 16

Week 7 at Giants 14, Commanders 7 Week 8 Eagles 38, at Commanders 31 Week 9 at Patriots

1 p.m. (Fox)

Week 10 at Seahawks Nov. 12, 4:25 p.m. (Fox)

Week 11 vs. Giants Nov. 19, 1 p.m. (Fox)

Week 12 at Cowboys Nov. 23 (Thurs.), 4:30 p.m. (CBS) Week 13 vs. Dolphins Dec. 3, 1 p.m. (Fox)

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Week 15 at Rams Dec. 17, 4:05 p.m. (CBS) Week 16 at Jets

Dec. 24, 1 p.m. (CBS)

Week 17 vs. 49ers Dec. 31, 1 p.m. (Fox)

Week 18 vs. Cowboys Jan. 6/7; date, time and TV TBD

Dolphins (6-2) at Chiefs (6-2) in Frankfurt, Germany, 9:30 a.m. (NFL Network) » Tyreek Hill meets his former team after becoming the fastest to reach 1,000 receiving yards in a season in the Super Bowl era. With nine games left, he has caught 61 passes for 1,014 yards - and his goal of topping 2,000 doesn't seem unrealistic. Still, Miami has yet to beat a team with a winning record, and Kansas City has yet to find a wide receiver who can catch the ball and hold on to said ball. Kansas City had five turnovers in last week's loss at Denver - tied for the most since Andy Reid was hired in 2013.

Vikings (4-4) at Falcons (4-4), 1 p.m. » Second-year quarterback Desmond Ridder has had seven turnovers in the past three weeks and got a concussion evaluation at halftime last week. He was cleared, but Atlanta stuck with Taylor Heinicke, who led the team to four scoring drives in six possessions in the second half against Tennessee. The Falcons rewarded Heinicke with the start against the Vikings. Minnesota, stunned by the injury to Kirk Cousins, added Joshua Dobbs to the roster in a Halloween trade with Arizona, but rookie Jaren Hall will start this week.

Seahawks (5-2) at Ravens (6-2), 1 p.m. (CBS) » In 18 starts against NFC teams, Lamar Jackson is 17-1. In the Ravens' previous meeting with Seattle, in 2019, he ran for 116 yards and a touchdown.

Cardinals (1-7) at Browns (4-3), 1 p.m. » The status of Deshaun Watson's shoulder remained unclear until Friday, when Cleveland Coach Kevin Stefanski announced that he would start after missing all but one quarter of the Browns' past four games with an arm injury. In Watson's 10 starts, the Browns are 6-4, averaging 21 points.

## OTHER GAMES

Rams (3-5) at Packers (2-5), 1 p.m. » After not throwing any interceptions in his first two games, Jordan Love has been picked off eight times in the past five. So let's check in with Green Bay Coach Matt LaFleur: "It's just like, you know, we're a mess right now."

Buccaneers (3-4) at Texans (3-4), 1 p.m. » Quarterback Baker Mayfield could use a little help from the ground game. Tampa Bay's rushing success rate (26.5 percent) ranks last in the NFL, and the Bucs are on pace to post the NFL's worst mark since the 2013 Ravens' 24.6. Tampa Bay's secondleading rusher is Mayfield.

Bears (2-6) at Saints (4-4), 1 p.m. » Taysom Hill passed for 44 yards and led the Saints in rushing (nine carries for 63 yards) last week. He is posting the highest rushing success rate (65.5 percent) of his career.

Colts (3-5) at Panthers (1-6), 4:05 p.m. » Indianapolis is the only team to have scored 20 or more points in every game, which is nice - except the defense has allowed an average of 38 over a losing streak that stands at three.

Giants (2-6) at Raiders (3-5), 4:25 p.m. » Davante Adams chose to play for the Raiders, his favorite team, and to team up with Derek Carr. But Carr was shipped off, and Adams's frustration boiled over Monday night, when he snagged one pass for 11 yards (on seven targets - two of which should have resulted in touchdown bombs) from Jimmy Garoppolo. He hasn't had a one-reception game since 2017. Maybe the firing of Josh McDaniels will help things. (It really can't hurt.) Rookie Aidan O'Connell will start instead of Garoppolo.

Cowboys (5-2) at Eagles (7-1), 4:25 p.m. (Fox) » A.J. Brown has the NFL record for the most consecutive games (six) with at least 125 receiving yards. (He had 130 against Washington.) Like Tyreek Hill, he's on pace to break the single-season receiving yardage record (Calvin Johnson's 1,964 in 2012). Dallas has won four of the past five meetings with Philadelphia, averaging 37 points.

Bills (5-3) at Bengals (4-3), 8:20 p.m. (NBC) » In a 3-1 start, Buffalo outscored its opponents 139-55. Over their past four games, the Bills are 2-2, outscoring opponents 83-81, and now they face a scary Bengals team with a healthy Joe Burrow. He has led Cincinnati to three straight wins and has the league's best passer rating (111.8) over that span (with Ja'Marr Chase averaging 124 receiving yards in those games).

Chargers (3-4) at Jets (4-3), 8:15 p.m. Monday (ABC, ESPN) » Los Angeles may have hit on a formula with Austin Ekeler and Keenan Allen combining for 18 targets (with 15 receptions) against the Bears. Granted, that was against the Bears, but Justin Herbert also had his best passing day in a month.

-Cindy Boren

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# Will Belichick get a shot at rebuilding his empire?

### PATRIOTS FROM D1

Patriots' facility, the difference is as clear as a November cold snap. The Patriots are 2-6. They have been outscored by 90 points, second most in the NFL, and their offense has scored the second-fewest points per game. The Patriots have not won a playoff game since the Super Bowl at the end of the 2018 season. They stand 27-32 since Tom Brady left for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, a loss in their lone playoff appearance included. Quarterback Mac Jones, chosen 15th in 2021 with the hope he would be Brady's long-term heir, has regressed and ranks by any objective measure among the league's bottom third.

The dearth of success has rattled a franchise that once stood astride the NFL. This week, discussion of how Belichick's departure will unfold dominated Boston's sports talk airwaves, with the baked-in — if still unknown assumption it will be this offseason. Stability and excellence have been replaced by uncertainty and losing. Once immune to the league's cruel capriciousness, the Patriots are now defenseless against it.

"It certainly has given me a little wider perspective as to what the NFL is and what the reality is for a lot of teams," said Patriots captain Matthew Slater, a 16-year veteran. "It makes me remain humble and thankful for the experiences I've had here. Because it's really difficult to experience success in this league, and we did it for a long time. I don't want to say we took it for granted, but it was almost expected. In this league, things are so fluid. Winning and losing, that line is so thin. I appreciate those teams I was on earlier in my career even more."

The remainder of New England's schedule is favorable. The Patriots have played seven games against teams currently .500 or better. They have only four such opponents remaining, including the Buffalo Bills and New York Jets, the two teams they have beaten.

But the Patriots for years never needed concern for the quality of their competition. Their opponent Sunday provides a stark window into New England's downfall. Over the two decades the Patriots became a crown jewel of the NFL, the franchise in Washington painted a portrait of dysfunction. "You always hear the phrase 'Patriot Way,' " said former safety Rodney Harrison, who played on two New England Super Bowl teams in the early 2000s. "The Patriot Way' is just a standard. Obviously a lot of these young guys, they haven't bought into that standard. It's a standard of consistency, working hard, putting your head down, doing the right things, not being selfish, not getting penalties. It's almost like a walk of discipline. That was the thing that really made us different than everyone else.

"That's what I see that's wrong with the Patriots. They're not focusing on the little details. It comes from the top, where the coaches have to get that message through to the players, and it matriculates through the locker room. I just don't see guys buying into what Coach Belichick is selling."

### 'Unfazed' – and regressing

The small margins the Patriots once used to shred teams have boomeranged on them. When they began their opening offensive possession of a Week 6 loss against the Las Vegas Raiders with a false start penalty, it was more exemplary than aberrant.

"The difference from us being 6-2 and 2-6 is just winning those close moments and eliminating bad football," said defensive end Deatrich Wise, who played for the 2018 Super Bowl champions. "Great teams eliminate bad football. Teams that are trying to be great are still working on that."

The struggles have not softened Belichick's public dourness. On Wednesday, he scolded a reporter who asked about New England's trade deadline process and his role in it, saying, "We've talked about this 50 times." (Belichick, 71, offered an explanation with no clarifying information.) He answered queries with the phrase "getting ready for Washington" four times, wielding it when asked about both the trade deadline and the Raiders' firing of coach Josh McDaniels, his former offensive coordinator. Asked about motivating a last-place team, Belichick shrugged, grimaced and muttered, "Coach the team the best I can.'

"He's a coach that's unfazed, unbothered," Wise said. "He doesn't care what the media talks about. He doesn't care about outside noise. It's how he always is —



Bill Belichick is 16 wins away from matching Don Shula's record, but his Patriots are 2-6 and have been outscored by 90 points.

to do that when everything is going perfectly. In a year when it hasn't, to see that resilience has been impressive. I hope our team notices that."

The Patriots' post-Brady malaise has not been linear, and at times it has carried a hint of promise.

In Jones's rookie season, he won 10 games and took the team to the playoffs. He didn't just coast behind a strong defense — New England's offense scored the sixthmost points in the league, and Jones finished as the NFL's 15thhighest-rated passer, one spot ahead of Bills star Josh Allen.

"It's not drastically different [this season]," center David Andrews said. "That team got on the right track in the middle of the year. We still have an opportunity to do that, turn this thing around. We can't go back and change anything, but we have nine opportunities here left."

McDaniels left that offseason to coach the Raiders, and Belichick's reconfiguration sparked the offensive spiral. He made Matt Patrica, a longtime defensive assistant and a failed head coach of the Detroit Lions, de facto offensive coordinator. With Patricia calling plays, Jones experienced painful regression from which he has not recovered. The confidence he played with at Alabama and as a rookie evaporated. offense, one evaluator said, every Patriots wide receiver this season would be third or fourth on the depth chart — at best. Last offseason, the Patriots allowed Jakobi Meyers to leave in free agency, and with the Raiders this season Meyers has more yards and receptions per game than any New England wideout.

On a team with a proficient

To observers of the Patriots, the 2020 retirement of offensive line coach Dante Scarnecchia was a crucial loss. For years, Belichick could count on Scarnecchia to mold young linemen into foundational players. "The best to ever do it," Harrison said. The Patriots inducted him into their Hall of Fame this year, an honor they haven't bestowed on even Bill Parcells, a head coach who took them to the Super Bowl. Pro Football Focus grades the Patriots' line this year 29th in pass blocking and 22nd in run blocking.

Based on the NFL's salary structure, the Patriots should be in position to stock talent around Jones. Brady took discounts to ease New England's cap crunch, but he still accounted for more than 10 percent of the payroll. The Patriots' talent drain has occurred when they should have ample resources: They devote \$6.6 million of their salary cap to quarterbacks, third least in the NFL. New England's roster issues also stem from barren drafts. Cornerback Christian Gonzalez, chosen 17th in April and currently on injured reserve, appears to be a potential star. But mostly, the Patriots have either missed crucial picks or failed to keep the ones who hit. The last player they drafted in the first three rounds and then signed to a second contract was safety Duron Harmon, a third-round pick in 2013.

Even by some in his own organization, Belichick has never been viewed as a strong evaluator in the draft. He leans on his own opinions – gleaned from film study and workouts once the season ends, not the year-round, bootson-ground work of scouts - and insight from college coaching friends. The Patriots once held a draft edge on rivals because Belichick understood the value of amassing picks in an inherently fickle venture, but the spread of analytical insights and modern front offices have eroded that advantage.

### 'You got to win, man'

Belichick, whose sons Brian and Stephen have positions on his defensive staff, runs everything on the football side of the operation, a job that may have grown too demanding for one person, even a man of Belichick's intellect and experience. The results and lack of progress post-Brady raise the potential of a tectonic change. Will team owner Robert Kraft allow Belichick to keep the entirety of his power? To stay at all? And would Belichick stand for being stripped of autonomy?

If the Patriots end up with a top-five draft pick and decide to restart with a quarterback, would the Patriots entrust a 72-year-old Belichick to develop him after watching Jones's career arc?

Belichick approaches roster decisions with a notorious lack of sentiment. Does he receive leniency afforded to the greatest coach of all time? Or does he get the short leash so many of his great players — Lawyer Milloy, Richard Seymour, Logan Mankins, even Brady — received in their twilight? If Kraft has learned from his coach's unemotional management, Belichick would be under harsh scrutiny.

"Everybody has to be held accountable," said Harrison, now an NBC analyst. "If you're not playing as an individual player, you're either going to not be there or you're going to be on the sideline. I would say Bill would have to look at himself the same way. If he's not getting it done as a coach, if he's not being successful, and Kraft decided to go in a different direction — you got to win, man. You got since he fired Pete Carroll the day after the 1999 season ended. He has not offered public thoughts on the direction of the Patriots this season, and through a team spokesman he declined an interview for this story. It is difficult to know his outlook on his franchise's trajectory or the possibility of moving on from Belichick.

An interview Kraft gave NFL.com the week before Super Bowl XLIX — when the Patriots faced Carroll's Seattle Seahawks provides some insight. In short, what doomed Carroll — a lack of progress coupled with public pressure — is what the Patriots are enduring now.

"We went from a team that was in the Super Bowl to going to the divisional round, and then the wild card, and then we went to 8-8," Kraft told NFL.com in February 2015. "The problem for Pete coming into our situation was we had been in a Super Bowl, we were very close...and it looked like our team was spinning down each year, even though he did an excellent job. So my perspective was, "Where are we going?"

In the same interview, Kraft explained that the Patriots maintained their organizational structure when they hired Belichick. When he won a Super Bowl in his second season, Kraft granted him more authority and independence. But that didn't mean he stopped evaluating.

"Look, the second year he was with us, he won a Super Bowl," Kraft said in 2015. "... Over the next five years, as things evolved, I kept giving Bill more and more autonomy. And we won three Super Bowls in that period. And then I've always checked to be sure in my own way that he doesn't abuse the power he has and his work ethic is very, very good."

History hovers over Belichick's status. He stands 16 victories away from matching Don Shula's career record, regular season and playoffs combined. He reveres football history and acutely understands his place in it. He is a preeminent football historian and donated his collection of football books, considered the largest in the world, to the Naval Academy.

"I personally don't think Bill is worried about a record," Harrison said. "This is something that he's done his whole life and something he's great at, and I think he's just going to continue to coach until that drive and that passion isn't there. ... He still has a lot to contribute to the game. The man, he's still a genius."

The remnants of the Patriots' dynasty remain. The banners. A handful of championship players. The grumbles from the coach's

When they meet Sunday, the team with the better record, the statistically superior young quarterback and the greater projected 2024 salary cap space will be the Commanders.

2018, 2023; 2055, he'll be the same dude."

"He hasn't let his foot off the gas," Slater said. "He still coaches us with great detail, great urgency. You would figure, yeah, it's easier to be productive. And if you're not winning, you're not being productive, Bill would move in a different direction. That's just the way business works."

Kraft has not changed coaches

podium. But the success that defined an NFL generation is gone. The Patriots are an empire whose time has passed, with no telling when, how or whether it will rise again.

## ANALYSIS

## Missed picks, bad deals put Commanders in a rut

### COMMANDERS FROM D1

first-round picks failed to meet expectations. The Commanders traded him to the San Francisco 49ers for a compensatory thirdround pick Tuesday, with Young still months from finishing his rookie deal.

"Everything's a possibility," defensive line coach Jeff Zgonina said Friday. "Every time you step out of your car, you can be fired in this business. There's only one person safe in this building. That's the guy that owns the team or the owners of this team."

The problem has been that too many of Washington's "possibilities" have ended in disappointment. Since Ron Rivera took over as coach with control over personnel in 2020, his attempts to fix the flawed roster he inherited have resulted in modest successes getting undermined by glaring misses in the draft, free agency and trade market. With Rivera coaching in the fourth year of a five-year contract, the Commanders continue to pay for those problems, literally and figuratively.

The offensive line has undergone multiple iterations, the defensive line failed to meet expectations, the linebacking corps is still problematic, and the secondary is often a liability.

It's enough to obscure what has worked out. The team selected safety Kam Curl in the seventh round in 2020, and he's a staple of the defense. So are cornerback Benjamin St-Juste and safety Darrick Forrest, third- and fifthround picks in 2021 who impressed in relief roles and prompted the Commanders to find ways to get them more snaps.

And last year, one of the Commanders' more savvy decisions was trading back in the first round of the draft to select wide receiver Jahan Dotson and use the extra picks to grab running back Brian Robinson Jr. (third round), quarterback Sam Howell (fifth) and tight end Cole Turner (fifth).

"Four young guys that we think can be part of what we're doing going forward," Rivera said in January. "Those are the kinds of things that we want to be able to get better at and continue to find that kind of talent. Because one of the things that, when Martin [Mayhew] and Marty [Hurney] came in, we talked about was roster-building as much as we can through the draft and putting those pieces into place."

But the problem is that when Washington manages to find pieces that fit, too many holes remain.

### The early rebuild

Go back to 2020, when Washington ended a tenuous situation with left tackle Trent Williams by trading him to the 49ers during the draft. That netted the team a 2020 fifth-round pick and a 2021 third-round pick, which were used on center Keith Ismael and St-Juste. Ismael was released from injured reserve with a settlement before his third season. St-Juste later became the eventual replacement for one of the team's biggest misses.

But first, issues up front continued to pile up.

Washington paid guard Brandon Scherff roughly \$33 million on consecutive franchise tags for 24 total games in 2020 and 2021. The team would have had trouble giving him a long-term deal after that, so he left for Jacksonville as a free agent in 2022 — a second Pro Bowl lineman, gone.

All the while, Washington tried to add speed and talent to its defense, only to create more issues.

In March 2021, Washington signed cornerback William Jackson III to a three-year contract worth \$40.5 million. Jackson played well in Cincinnati's manheavy scheme, but he was a poor fit in Washington's system. So Washington traded him to Pittsburgh for a future conditional seventh-round pick swap before the deadline last year.

The team is still feeling the ripple effects.

Jackson's contract is the largest Washington has given a free agent over the past four years, and the team ultimately paid him around \$24 million. Of that, \$9 million is on this year's books as "dead money," or money that was already paid and counts against the salary cap. For context, Jackson's cap hit this year is larger than that of defensive tackle Daron Payne (\$8.61 million), who signed a fouryear, \$90 million contract in March.

Jackson is not currently on anyone's active roster.

To address Washington's woes at linebacker — a position that has struggled despite having a coaching staff with three former NFL linebackers in Rivera, defensive coordinator Jack Del Rio and linebackers coach Steve Russ — the team selected Jamin Davis in the first round of the 2021 draft.

A one-year starter at Kentucky, Davis was said by Rivera to be "what you look for in a football player," with his athleticism and positional flexibility. But Davis struggled in his first two seasons, even prompting Del Rio to call him out publicly for his poor performance. Now, in Year 3, he's starting to come into his own.

"I mean, the young man's really come a long way," Rivera said last month. "He's done some really good things for us, and we're pretty excited about who he's become."

The Commanders hoped to get more out of their 2021 draft class, however.

The team selected defensive ends William Bradley-King and Shaka Toney in the seventh round, looking to develop them into key depth players up front. But neither developed into much of anything. Bradley-King is no longer on the roster, and Toney is suspended indefinitely for betting on NFL games. Washington also drafted wide receiver Dax Milne in the seventh round that year, with hopes he would become a viable returner. He was reliable, but the team opted to turn to Milne and move on from DeAndre Carter, one of its best returners in years, instead of paying Carter a minimal one-year contract, which the Los Angeles Chargers did in free agency.

Milne is on injured reserve now, and *his* replacement is Jamison Crowder, a 30-year-old former Washington draft pick who has been one of the team's most promising acquisitions this season. His 61-yard punt return against the Atlanta Falcons was the franchise's longest return since . . . his 89-yard return in 2016.

#### **Recent misses**

The compounding of problems has been especially noticeable up front.

To replace Scherff and Ereck Flowers at guard last year, the team signed older veterans Trai Turner and Andrew Norwell, who previously played for Rivera in Carolina. The result? Turner was benched in Week 4 last season, and Norwell had well-documented struggles.

The two lasted only the season together before Washington looked to shuffle the O-line again. It also has been an issue at quarterback, where Rivera inherited a roster with the late Haskins and benched him twice amid a

cycle of eight different starters. The most glaring whiff there: Carson Wentz, whom Washington traded multiple picks to acquire from Indianapolis and whose full salary for 2022 it paid. Wentz suffered a finger injury in Week 6 and was replaced by Taylor Heinicke for a stretch — until Rivera decided to bench Heinicke and give Wentz one more chance. The Commanders lost spectacularly to the Browns, ending all hope of a playoff run.

The hope now is that Howell can finally turn into the guy the team has been searching for at quarterback. But it doesn't erase the fact that, over the past four years, Washington has struck out with a first-round rookie quarterback (Haskins) and a high-priced veteran acquired by trade (Wentz). Another veteran, acquired via free agency (Ryan Fitzpatrick), was lost after 16 snaps because of a hip injury.

Yet the more recent decisions are among the most perplexing.

The Commanders selected cornerback Emmanuel Forbes Jr. in the first round of the draft, believing his 165-pound frame wouldn't be an issue at the pro level. For the most part, it hasn't been; the overall play has been the problem.

The team benched Forbes in Week 5, after he allowed a string of big completions in coverage to Eagles wide receiver A.J. Brown and Bears wideout DJ Moore. Forbes has played sparingly in a reserve role since, but issues have cropped up — such as when he allowed three big completions to Brown again in Week 8. Forbes played just five defensive snaps in that loss to Philadelphia.

"It's about trying to find that balance of you get to a certain situation and say: 'You know what? Let's sit him for a while. Let's let him grow,' "Rivera said. "I mean, we went through the same thing with Jamin, and look at him now."

Forbes wasn't the only player to be benched this year. Washington pulled center Nick Gates, whom it signed to a three-year, \$16.5 million contract in the offseason, because he allowed five sacks in seven games.

The team moved on from center Chase Roullier after he suffered consecutive season-ending injuries and drafted Ricky Stromberg in the third round. But Stromberg was supposed to learn behind Gates. Stromberg is now recovering from a knee injury he suffered during an extra-point attempt against the Eagles.

The Commanders also drafted tackle Braeden Daniels in the fourth round to add depth to the end of the line, but he was viewed as a raw player by many analysts before the draft and proved to be just that when he arrived in Washington. He was placed on injured reserve before the season and won't see a snap as a rookie.

So, in a year when Washington

desperately needed offensive line help — still — its two rookie additions are essentially washes and one of its top free agent signings is on the bench.

Meanwhile, Washington's rookie class has yet to provide consistent contributions.

Consider that five of the team's eight picks in 2020 have had considerable starting time since entering the league, be it as true starters or fill-ins.

Five of the team's 10 picks in 2021 became starters, too. And in 2022, two of the eight picks (Dotson and Robinson) became immediate starters while two others (Howell and safety Percy Butler) have been elevated into those roles, by performance or injury.

This year's class, however, doesn't include a single current starter. Forbes is still listed as the No. 1 cornerback on the team's depth chart, but he has not regained the lead job over Danny Johnson.

"We have some questions that we'd like to get answered about the particular play, but he's working at it," Rivera said of Forbes on Monday. "He's getting better, and he's just got to continue to work."

The five other drafted rookies on the active roster have played a total of 63 offensive and defensive snaps, according to TruMedia.

Quan Martin, a safety/nickelback taken in the second round, has played just 15 defensive snaps. Defensive end Andre Jones Jr. has played all of five defensive snaps. And fellow end K.J. Henry, whom the team traded up to select 137th overall in the fifth round, hasn't played a single one.

That's likely to change as the Commanders move on without their star defensive ends. But if the trade of Young reminded of anything, it's that "there are no guarantees," as Del Rio said Thursday.

"I'm certain of one thing, and that is when that pick was selected back then, nobody envisioned that it would go the way it has in terms of missed time to injuries and whatever, then ultimately ended up being traded," Del Rio added of Young. "Not exactly what we all kind of were anticipating."

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## SCOREBOARD

#### **COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

No. 17 Tennessee 59,

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### NCAA SATURDAY'S RESULTS

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Penalties-Yards		
Time Of Possession		3

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FIRST QUARTER LSU: Nabers 46 pass from Daniels (Ramos kick), 9:46.	SECOND QUARTER TENN: Milton 6 run (C.Campbell kick), 7:25.
ALA: Milroe 23 run (Reichard kick), 7:14. ALA: Milroe 4 run (Reichard kick), 25.	<b>TENN:</b> S.White 83 pass from Milton (C.Campbell kick), 4:34.
SECOND QUARTER LSU: Daniels 9 run (Ramos kick), 3:09.	TENN: Baron 24 fumble return (C.Campbell kick), 3:30. THIRD QUARTER
ALA: Milroe 21 run (Reichard kick), 1:01. LSU: Lacy 26 pass from Daniels (Ramos kick), :05.	TENN: McCollough 30 interception return (C.Campbell kick), 14:52.
THIRD QUARTER LSU: J.Williams 2 run (Ramos kick), 11:14.	TENN: Beasley 39 interception return (C.Campbell kick), 11:51. TENN: Castles 19 pass from lamaleava (Turbyville kick),
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FOURTH QUARTER	FOURTH QUARTER TENN: FG Turbyville 33, 8:02. Attendance: 101,915.
ALA: McClellan 10 run (Reichard kick), 13:01. LSU Alabama	Connecticut Tennessee
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Kickoff Returns         1-13         4-88           Interceptions Ret.         0-0         1-10	Kickoff Returns         3-59         2-38           Interceptions Ret.         0-0         2-69
Comp-Att-Int         20-34-1         15-23-0           Sacked-Yards Lost         1-4         2-12           Punts         2-36.5         1-50.0	Comp-Att-Int         25-42-2         21-31-0           Sacked-Yards Lost         1-9         1-3           Punts
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LSU: Daniels 15-24-1-219, Nussmeier 5-10-0-53. Ala- bama: Milroe 15-23-0-219.	Connecticut: Roberson 24-40-2-218, Z.Turner 1-2-0-3. Tennessee: Milton 11-14-0-254, lamaleava 5-9-0-86,
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LSU: Daniels 11-163, Diggs 8-24, Williams 4-19, Emery 1-0. Alabama: Milroe 20-155, McClellan 14-63, Williams 6-56, Miller 4-17, (Team) 2-(minus 3).	Connecticut: Jal.Mitchell 8-28, Edwards 9-21, Stafford
RECEIVING	1-1, Roberson 3-(minus 2), Rosa 6-(minus 4), Buckman 1-(minus 9). Tennessee: J. Wright 8-113, Seldon 6-35, Wilk 2-33, Sampson 5-28, Iamaleava 1-25, Barnes 4-17, Shuler 2-15, Milton 2-7, Keith 3-5, Moore 1-(minus 3).
LSU: Nabers 10-171, Thomas 3-36, Taylor 3-19, Lacy 2-39, Williams 1-6, Ka.Jackson 1-1. Alabama: Bond 5-60, Burton 3-29, Law 2-25, McClellan 1-42, Miller 1-35,	Shuler 2-15, Milton 2-7, Keith 3-5, Moore 1-(minus 3). RECEIVING
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No. 22 Oklahoma State 27,	see: Castles 4-56, White 2-94, Keyton 2-81, E.Davis 2-33, Thornton 2-26, Sampson 2-23, Browder 2-10, Webb
No. 9 Oklahoma 24	1-28, D.Williams 1-11, Sneed 1-7, J.Wright 1-7, Roberts 1-(minus 1).
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FIRST QUARTER	ARIZONA STATE
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SECOND QUARTER OKST: A.Bowman 13 run (Hale kick), 14:53.	UTAH: Vele 11 pass from Barnes (Becker kick), 11:36. UTAH: Vele 3 pass from Barnes (Becker kick), 6:37.
OKST: FG Hale 36, 9:42. OKLA: Stoops 6 pass from Gabriel (Schmit kick), 7:06.	ASU: FG Longhetto 35, 3:08. SECOND QUARTER
THIRD QUARTER OKLA: T.Walker 23 run (Schmit kick), 8:05.	UTAH: FG Becker 30, 4:05. UTAH: McClain 20 pass from Barnes (Becker kick), :54.
FOURTH QUARTER OKST: Gordon 1 run (Hale kick), 7:59.	THIRD QUARTER
<b>OKST:</b> FG Hale 34, 6:59. <b>OKLA:</b> FG Schmit 36, 4:48.	UTAH: J.Jackson 54 run (Becker kick), 12:26. UTAH: FG Becker 43, 3:47.
Attendance: 54,105. Oklahoma Oklahoma State	FOURTH QUARTER UTAH: King 2 pass from Barnes (Becker kick), 12:59.
First Downs         21         26           Total Net Yards         492         480	UTAH: N.Johnson 59 run (Becker kick), 11:04. UTAH: Vincent 22 run (Becker kick), :08. Attendance: 52,104.
Rushes-Yards         27-148         38-146           Passing         344         334           Punt Returns         15         1-14	Arizona State Utah First Downs
Kickoff Returns         2-30         1-18           Interceptions Ret.         1-39         1-23	Total Net Yards         83         513           Rushes-Yards         29-43         49-352
Comp-Att-Int         26-37-1         28-43-1           Sacked-Yards Lost         2-7         0-0           Punts         3-49.333         4-41.5	Passing
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Time Of Possession         22:47         37:08	Sacked-Yards Lost
PASSING Oklahoma: Gabriel 26-37-1-344. Oklahoma State: Bow- man 28-42-0-334, Gordon 0-1-1-0.	Fumbles-Lost         0-0         1-0           Penalties-Yards         6-57         6-50           Time Of Possession         23:27         36:33
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Oklahoma: Sawchuk 13-111, T.Walker 8-59, Stoops 1-(minus 6), Gabriel 4-(minus 7), Barnes 1-(minus 9).	Arizona State: Conover 5-22-1-41, Skattebo 0-1-0-0, T.Bourguet 3-6-0-(minus 1). Utah: Barnes 19-28-0-161.
Oklahoma State: Gordon 33-137, Bowman 1-13, Nixon 2-(minus 1), (Team) 2-(minus 3).	RUSHING Arizona State: Skattebo 12-31, K.Brown 3-11, Jacobs
RECEIVING Oklahoma: Stoops 12-134, Faroog 7-98, Ni.Anderson	3-8, White 2-4, Conover 5-2, Badger 1-1, Black 2-(minus 4), Charles 1-(minus 10). <b>Utah:</b> Jackson 13-111, N.John-
3-92, Stogner 1-10, Sawchuk 1-5, Thompson 1-4, Smoth-	son 2-79, Glover 14-64, Barnes 7-56, Vincent 4-33, Parks
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NBA				Celtics 124, Nets 114
EASTERN CONFERENCE				BOSTON
ATLANTIC	w	L Pct	GB	BROOKLYN
Boston		0 1.000	1	BOSTON: Horford 4-7 0-0 8, Tatum 10-20 6-6 32,
Philadelphia Brooklyn		1 .800 3 .500	2½	Porzingis 8-10 5-8 22, Brown 7-22 7-8 23, Holiday 6-15 2-2 18, Hauser 2-3 0-0 5, Kornet 5-5 1-1 11, Brissett 1-4
New York	2	4 .333	31/2	2-2 5, Pritchard 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 43-90 23-27 124.
Toronto	2	4 .333	3½	BROOKLYN: Bridges 7-20 1-1 19, O'Neale 2-15 0-0 6,
SOUTHEAST	w	L Pct	GB	Finney-Smith 5-10 0-0 14, Dinwiddie 8-14 0-3 19, Thomas 11-24 3-3 27, Watford 0-0 0-0 0, Wilson 0-0 0-0
Atlanta Orlando		2 .667 2 .667	_	0, Sharpe 3-4 5-8 11, Brooks 0-0 0-0 0, Smith Jr. 2-5 0-0 5,
Charlotte		3.400	1½	Walker IV 5-8 2-2 13. Totals 43-100 11-17 114.
Miami		4 .333	2	Three-point Goals: Boston 15-45 (Tatum 6-10, Holiday 4-9, Brown 2-11, Hauser 1-2, Porzingis 1-2, Brissett 1-4,
Washington	1	4 .200	2½	Horford 0-3, Pritchard 0-4), Brooklyn 17-52 (Finney-
CENTRAL	w	L Pct	GB	Smith 4-9, Bridges 4-11, Dinwiddie 3-7, Thomas 2-6, O'Neale 2-13, Walker IV 1-2, Smith Jr. 1-4). Fouled Out:
Milwaukee		2 .600	-	None. <b>Rebounds:</b> Boston 50 (Tatum 11), Brooklyn 42
Indiana Detroit		3 .500 4 .333	½ 1½	(Finney-Smith 8). Assists: Boston 22 (Holiday 10),
x-Chicago		4 .333	1½	Brooklyn 22 (Dinwiddie 6). <b>Total Fouls:</b> Boston 17, Brooklyn 21. <b>A:</b> 17,983 (17,732)
Cleveland	2	4 .333	1½	
WESTERN CONFERENCE				Rockets 107, Kings 89
SOUTHWEST	W	L Pct	GB	
Dallas New Orleans		1 .800 2 .667	1/2	SACRAMENTO 19 34 15 21 - 89 HOUSTON
San Antonio	3	2 .600	1	SACRAMENTO: Barnes 3-7 4-5 13, Murray 3-12 0-0 7,
Houston Memphis		3 .400 6 .000	2 4½	Sabonis 5-10 1-4 11, Huerter 2-8 0-0 4, Mitchell 3-7 0-0 7,
mempino	0	0.000	7/2	Edwards 0-0 0-0 0, Vezenkov 0-2 0-0 0, Jones 2-7 0-0 5,
NORTHWEST x-Denver	w	L Pct	GB	Len 0-0 0-0 0, McGee 5-9 2-2 12, Duarte 3-8 2-2 10, Ellis 0-1 0-0 0, Ford 0-0 2-2 2, Monk 6-13 3-4 18. <b>Totals</b> 32-84
X-Denver Minnesota		1 .833 2 .600	1½	14-19 89.
Portland	3	3 .500	2	HOUSTON: Brooks 9-14 6-6 26, Smith Jr. 9-15 0-0 21,
Oklahoma City Utah		3 .500 5 .286	2 3½	Sengun 7-13 0-0 15, Ja.Green 4-10 2-7 10, VanVleet 7-22 3-3 21, Je.Green 0-1 1-2 1, Samuels Jr. 0-1 2-2 2, Tate 4-6
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PACIFIC	W	L Pct	GB	0-0 0, Holiday 0-4 0-0 0. <b>Totals</b> 40-87 14-20 107.
Golden State L.A. Clippers		1 .833 2 .600	1½	Three-point Goals: Sacramento 11-41 (Barnes 3-4, Monk 3-7, Duarte 2-6, Jones 1-4, Mitchell 1-4, Murray 1-8, Ellis
L.A. Lakers	3	3 .500	2	0-1. McGee 0-1. Vezenkov 0-1. Sabonis 0-2. Huerter 0-3).
Sacramento Phoenix		3 .400 4 .333	2½ 3	Houston 13-36 (VanVleet 4-14, Tate 3-3, Smith Jr. 3-6, Brooks 2-4, Sengun 1-3, Landale 0-1, Samuels, Ir. 0-1
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x-Late game				Sacramento 43 (Sabonis 15), Houston 53 (Smith Jr. 11). Assists: Sacramento 20 (Monk 7), Houston 28 (VanVleet
FRIDAY'S RESULTS				12). Total Fouls: Sacramento 19, Houston 18. A: 18,055
at Miami 121, Washington 11 at Indiana 121, Cleveland 116	4			(18,500)
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SATURDAY'S RESULTS				WEEK 9
at Philadelphia 112, Phoenix 1	.00			THURSDAY'S RESULT
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at Orlando 120, L.A. Lakers 10 Charlotte 125, at Indiana 124	1			SUNDAY'S GAMES
at Minnesota 123, Utah 95				Washington at New England (-2½), 1
Boston 124, at Brooklyn 114				Seattle at Baltimore (-5½), 1
at Houston 107, Sacramento 8	39			Miami vs. Kansas City (-1½) in Frankfurt, Germany, 9:30 a.m.
Chicago at Denver, late				Arizona at Cleveland (-11½), 1
SUNDAY'S GAMES				Chicago at New Orleans (-8½), 1
Phoenix at Detroit, 3 Toronto at San Antonio, 3:30				L.A. Rams at Green Bay (-3), 1 Minnesota at Atlanta (-3½), 1
Golden State at Cleveland, 6				Tampa Bay at Houston (-3), 1
Charlotte at Dallas, 7:30				Indianapolis (-2½) at Carolina, 4:05
Memphis at Portland, 9				Dallas at Philadelphia (-3), 4:25 N.Y. Giants at Las Vegas (-1½), 4:25
MONDAY'S GAMES	_			Buffalo at Cincinnati (-1½), 8:20
Washington at Philadelphia, 7 Dallas at Orlando, 7				BYE: Denver, Jacksonville, Detroit, San Francisco
Golden State at Detroit, 7				MONDAY'S GAME
San Antonio at Indiana, 7				L.A. Chargers (-3½) at N.Y. Jets, 8:15
L.A. Clippers at New York, 7:3	0			WEEK 10
L.A. Lakers at Miami, 7:30 Milwaukee at Brooklyn, 7:30				THURSDAY'S GAME
Atlanta at Oklahoma City, 8				Carolina at Chicago, 8:15
Boston at Minnesota, 8				SUNDAY, NOV. 12 Washington at Seattle, 4:25
Sacramento at Houston, 8				Cleveland at Baltimore, 1
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**PGA** Tour

ATLANTIC         GP           Boston         11           Detroit         12           Tampa Bay         11           Toronto         11           Montreal         11           Buffalo         12           Florida         10           Ottawa         10	<b>W</b> 97555654	<b>L</b> 1 4 3 4 4 6 4 6	0T 1 3 2 0 1 0	Pts 19 15 13 12 12 12 11 8	<b>GF</b> 36 45 36 33 39 26 38	GA 21 37 36 37 39 38 28 35	
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## Capitals 2. Blue Jackets 1

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Philadelphia at San Jose, 10:30

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## 0 of 3. Goalies: Columbus, Merzlikins 3-2-2 (27 shots-25 saves). Washington, Lindgren 0-1-0 (36-35). **A:** 18,573 (18,277). **T:** 2:30. (17.113), **T:** 2:32.

## Scoring: 1, Boston, van Riemsdyk 4 (Pastrnak, Zacha), 5:21. 2, Boston, Poitras 4 (van Riemsdyk, Shattenkirk), 9:28. 3, Detroit, Raymond 4 (Larkin, Perron), 16:20 (pp). SECOND PERIOD

**Red Wings 5, Bruins 4** 

Scoring: 4, Detroit, Walman 3 (Sprong, Seider), 9:59 (pp). 5, Boston, Coyle 2 (DeBrusk, Wotherspoon), 13:41.

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#### THIRD PERIOD

FIRST PERIOD

Scoring: 6, Detroit, Larkin 5 (DeBrincat, Raymond), 6:50. 7, Detroit, Perron 3 (Compher, Petry), 8:56. 8, Detroit, Copp 4 (Compher, Perron), 10:34. 9, Boston, Pastrnak 9 (Poitras, Lindholm), 14:11.

### SHOTS ON GOAL

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 Power-play opportunities: Boston 1 of 4; Detroit 2 of 8.
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 Goalies: Boston, Ulmark 4-0-1 (39 shots-34 saves).
 Detroit, Husso 4-2-1 (30-26). A: 0 (20,000). T: 2:40.
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## Lightning 6, Senators 4

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FIRST PERIOD

## Scoring: 1, Ottawa, Tkachuk 7 (Joseph, Sanderson), 12:58. 2, Tampa Bay, Hedman 2 (Kucherov, Point), 17:05. SECOND PERIOD

Scoring: 3, Tampa Bay, Point 3 (Kucherov), 0:32. 4, Tampa Bay, Eyssimont 3 (Cirelli), 4:57. 5, Tampa Bay, Point 4 (Kucherov), 18:19.

#### THIRD PERIOD

Scoring: 6, Ottawa, Giroux 3 (Stutzle, Bernard-Docker), 1:17. 7, Tampa Bay, Point 5 (Stamkos, Kucherov), 9:38 (pp). 8, Ottawa, Tkachuk 8 (Norris), 11:08 (pp). 9, Tampa Bay, Kucherov 7 (Barre-Boulet, Hedman), 11:24. 10, Ottawa, Batherson 2 (Tkachuk), 12:14.

## SHOTS ON GOAL

 
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 Power-play opportunities: Tampa Bay 1 of 3; Ottawa 1 of 4. Goalies: Tampa Bay, Johansson 5-1-3 (28 shots-24 saves). Ottawa, Korpisalo 2-40 (20-17), Ottawa, Fors-borg 2 a 0(12/14), ba17 297 (19 F27).
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 berg 2-2-0 (17-14). **A:** 17,387 (18,572). **T:** 2:36.

#### Kings 5, Flyers 0

LOS ANGELES ..... PHILADELPHIA ..... 2 1 – 5 0 0 – 0 FIRST PERIOD

Scoring: 1, Los Angeles, Kempe 4 (Gavrikov, Byfield), 14:32. 2, Los Angeles, Kopitar 6 (Roy, Byfield), 14:50. SECOND PERIOD

## Scoring: 3, Los Angeles, Kaliyev 3 (Moore, Byfield), 16:01 (pp). 4, Los Angeles, Moore 6 (Kaliyev), 19:44.

THIRD PERIOD

### Scoring: 5, Los Angeles, Lizotte 3 (Laferriere), 6:32.

SHOTS ON GOAL LOS ANGELES ..... PHILADELPHIA .... Power-play opportunities: Los Angeles 1 of 5; Philadelphia 0 of 4. Goalies: Los Angeles, Talbot 6-2-1 (24 shots-24 saves). Philadelphia, Petersen 0-1-0 (30-25). A: 18,304 (19,543). T: 2:24.

#### Hurricanes 4, Islanders 3 (OT)

CAROLINA ......0 1 2 1 - 4 N.Y. ISLANDERS ......1 2 0 0 - 3 FIRST PERIOD

Scoring: 1, N.Y. Islanders, Dobson 3 (Barzal, Horvat), 17:40.

## SECOND PERIOD

Scoring: 2, N.Y. Islanders, Holmstrom 3 (Pageau), 4:11 (sh). 3, N.Y. Islanders, Barzal 2 (Horvat, Pulock), 7:46.4, Carolina, Chatfield 1 (Martinook, Staal), 8:18. THIRD PERIOD

Scoring: 5, Carolina, Orlov 1 (Kotkaniemi, Svechnikov), 12:19. 6, Carolina, Kotkaniemi 5 (Svechnikov), 15:26 (pp).

#### OVERTIME

Scoring: 7, Carolina, Aho 2 (Necas, Skjei), 1:14. SHOTS ON GOAL

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 Power-play opportunities: Carolina 1 of 3; N.Y. Islanders
 0 of 1. Goalies: Carolina, Raanta 3-1-0 (25 shots-22 saves). N.Y. Islanders, Sorokin 3-1-3 (48-44). A: 17,255

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PHOENIX: Bates-Diop 3-6 0-1 8, Durant 9-20 12-14 31, Nurkic 4-14 2-4 11, Allen 3-7 0-0 8, Gordon 6-15 0-0 13, Eubanks 2-4 6-6 10, Metu 0-1 2-2 2, Watanabe 1-4 2-2 5, Little 0-0 2-2 2, Goodwin 2-10 1-2 6, Okogie 2-7 0-0 4, E 1-0 0-10 0-0 Totale 23.89 07-33 100 S.Lee 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 32-89 27-33 100.

PHILADELPHIA: Harris 7-10 4-4 18, Oubre Jr. 10-18 2-3 25, Embild 9-18 5-5 26, Maxey 9-18 2-2 22, Melton 3-10 0-2 8, Covington 0-3 2-2 2, Martin 0-0 0-00, Reed 2-40-0 4, Korkmaz 2-2 0-0 5, Bamba 0-2 0-0 0, Beverley 0-1 0-0 0, Springer 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 43-90 15-18 112.

Three-point Goals: Phoenix 9-35 (Bates-Diop 2-3, Allen 2-5, Durant 1-4, Gordon 1-4, Watanabe 1-4, Goodwin 1-6, Nurkic 1-6, Metu 0-1, Okogie 0-2), Philadelphia 11-30 (Embild 3-3, Oubre, Jr. 3-7, Maxov, 2-6, Melton, 2-7

#### SUNDAY'S GAN Phoenix at Detro Toronto at San A

Notre Dame: Estime 17-87, Hartman 7-68, Love 3-11, Faison 1-6, Payne 1-6, Price 2-5. **Clemson:** Mafah 36-186, D.Thomas 3-16, Klubnik 3-(minus 11), (Team) 1-(minus TRANSACTIONS NFL

> Buffalo Bills: Elevated CB Josh Norman from the practice squad to the active roster. Cincinnati Bengals: Elevated WR Stanley Morgan from the practice squad to the active roster.

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RECEIVING Notre Dame: Estime 4-33, Tyree 4-29, Faison 2-32, Flores 1-35, Merriweather 1-10, Staes 1-7. Clemson: Collins 3-73, Stellato 3-27, Briningstool 2-13, Ad.Randall 2-1, Ennis 1-18, Brown 1-9, D.Thomas 1-4.

(Embild 3-3, Oubre Jr. 3-7, Maxey 2-6, Melton 2-7, Korkmaz 1-1, Beverley 0-1, Harris 0-1, Springer 0-1, Covington 0-3). Fouled Out: None. Rebounds: Phoenix 42 (Nurkic 9), Philadelphia 51 (Embild 11). Assists: Phoenix 22 (Nurkic 5), Philadelphia 24 (Maxey 10). Total Fouls: Phoenix 11, Philadelphia 24. A: 19,796 (20,478) Hawks 123. Pelicans 105 ATLANTA: Hunter 1-3 1-2 4, Johnson 8-13 3-421, Capela 8-9 1-2 17, Murray 8-20 2-2 20, Young 7-15 5-6 22, Okongwu 4-6 7-8 17, Bey 5-13 0-0 12, Bogdanović 4-14 0-0 10, Mathews 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 45-93 19-24 123.

NEW ORLEANS: Ingram 6-10 3-3 16, Williamson 9-16 7-10 25, Valanciunas 3-6 0-0 6, Jones 6-13 0-0 13, McCollum 5-12 2-3 13, Liddell 0-0 0-0 0, Nance Jr. 2-5 2-2 6, Ryan 1-42-24, Daniels 3-40-07, Hawkins 5-111-115, Lewis Jr. 0-30-00. Totals 40-8417-21105.

Three-point Goals: Atlanta 14-41 (Young 3-7, Johnson Three-point Goals: Atlanta 14-41 (Young 3-7, Johnson 2-3, Okongwu 2-3, Bey 2-7, Murray 2-9, Bogdanovic 2-10, Hunter 1-2), New Orleans 8-31 (Hawkins 4-8, Daniels 1-2, Ingram 1-3, Jones 1-5, McCollum 1-6, Lewis Jr. 0-2, Nance Jr. 0-2, Ryan 0-3). Fouled Out: None. Rebounds: Atlanta 52 (Johnson 11), New Orleans 35 (Ingram, Valanciunas 7). Assists: Atlanta 28 (Young 12), New Orleans 24 (McCollum 6). Total Fouls: Atlanta 16, New Orleans 15. A: 17,237 (16,867)

### Magic 120, Lakers 101

La. LAKERS: James 8-15 6-7 24, Reddish 1-5 0-0 2, Davis 10-15 8-8 28, Reaves 7-11 3-4 20, Russell 4-17 2-2 11, Fudge 0-1 0-0, Lewis 0-0 0-0, Wood 2-6 0-0 6, Hayes 1-4 0-0 2, Castleton 1-1 0-0 2, Christie 3-7 0-0 6, Hodge 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 37-84 19-21 101.

ORLANDO: Banchero 9-15 5-7 25, F.Wagner 12-28 1-2 26, Bitadze 3-6 4-4 10, Black 4-6 1-1 11, Suggs 4-11 1-19, Howard 0-2 0-0 0, Isaac 0-3 0-0 0, Okeke 0-1 0-0 0, Schofield 2-4 0-05, M.Wagner 6-100-0 13, Ingles 2-6 1-1 7, Anthony 4-9 3-3 14, Houstan 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 46-101 16-19 120.

Three-point Goals: L.A. Lakers 8-30 (Reaves 3-5, James 2-5, Wood 2-5, Russell 1-10, Reddish 0-1, Christie 0-2, Hodge 0-2), Orlando 12-33 (Anthony 3-5, Black 2-3, Banchero 2-4, Ingles 2-5, F. Wagner 1-3, M. Wagner 1-3, Chemet 4-1, Redde 2-5, F. Wagner 1-3, M. Wagner 1-3, Chemet 4-1, Redde 2-5, F. Wagner 1-3, M. Wagner 1-3, Chemet 4-1, Redde 2-5, F. Wagner 1-3, M. Wagner 1-3, Chemet 4-1, Redde 2-5, F. Wagner 1-3, Chemet 4-1, Redde 2-5, Re Schofield 1-3, Bitadze 0-1, Howard 0-1, Okeke 0-1, Isaac 0-2, Suggs 0-2). Fouled Out: None. Rebounds: L.A. Lakers 40 (Davis 13), Orlando 51 (Bitadze 10). Assists: L.A. Lakers 17 (James 5), Orlando 29 (Banchero 10). Total Fouls: L.A. Lakers 21, Orlando 18. A: 18,846 (18,846)

#### Hornets 125, Pacers 124

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CHARLOTTE: Hayward 10-17 2-2 23, Washington 6-13 2-215, Williams 9-12 9-927, Ball 4-151-111, Rozier 7-14 5-522, Thor 3-30-07, Miller 4-7 2-210, Richards 4-4 2-2 10, Maledon 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 47-88 23-23 125.

INDIANA: Mathurin 3-11 2-2 8, Toppin 5-7 0-0 11, Turner 5-9 1-2 14, B.Brown 3-8 0-0 7, Haliburton 14-21 7-7 43, J.Smith 4-6 1-2 11, Nembhard 3-9 0-0 7, Nesmith 1-5 1-2 4, Hield 7-15 0-1 19, McConnell 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 45-93 12-16 124 12-16 124.

12-10-124. Three-point Goals: Charlotte 8-20 (Rozier 3-5, Ball 2-7, Thor 1-1, Washington 1-1, Hayward 1-2, Maledon 0-2, Miller 0-2), Indiana 22-45 (Haliburton 8-12, Hield 5-13, Turner 3-5, J.Smith 2-3, Nesmith 1-1, Toppin 1-2, Membhard 1-3, B.Brown 1-4, Mathurin 0-2). Fouled Out: None. Rebounds: Charlotte 41 (Richards 10), Indiana 36 (J.Smith 9). Assists: Charlotte 23 (Ball 11), Indiana 31 (Haliburton 12). Total Fouls: Charlotte 20, Indiana 18. A: 15,945 (20,000)

### Timberwolves 123, Jazz 95

UTAH: Collins 5-10 3-4 14, Markkanen 7-20 4-5 22, Kessler 2-3 0-0 4, Clarkson 5-14 0-0 10, Horton-Tucker 6-20 0-0 14, Fontecchio 2-3 0-0 5, Samanic 1-2 1-1 3, Olynyk 0-4 0-0, Yurtseven 0-1 0-0 0, Agbaji 3-5 0-1 8, George 3-6 1-2 8, Sexton 1-3 4-4 7. Totals 35-91 13-17

MINNESOTA: McDaniels 2-4 0-0 5, Towns 7-14 9-10 25, Gobert 5-10 1-2 11, Conley 3-9 0-0 7, Edwards 13-19 3-5 31, Anderson 5-6 2-2 12, Brown Jr. 1-1 0-0 2, Minott 1-1 2-3 4, Reid 5-9 3-4 16, Alexander-Walker 0-3 0-1 0, McLaughlin 0-0 0-0 0, Milton 2-4 4-4 8, Nix 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 45-81 24-31 123.

Iotals 45-81 24-31 125.
Three-point Goals: Utah 12-43 (Markkanen 4-11, Agbaji 2-4, Horton-Tucker 2-6, Fontecchio 1-1, Sexton 1-3, George 1-4, Collins 1-5, Samanic 0-1, Yurtseven 0-1, Olynyk 0-2, Clarkson 0-5), Minnesota 9-24 (Reid 3-5, Edwards 2-4, Towns 2-6, McDaniels 1-2, Conley 1-4, Alexander-Walker 0-1, Milton 0-2). Fouled Out: Utah None, Minnesota 1 (McDaniels). Rebounds: Utah 39 (Markkanen 8), Minnesota 43 (Gobert 10). Assists: Utah 20 (Horton-Tucker 5), Minnesota 25 (Anderson, Conley, Edwards 6). Total Fouls: Utah 20, Minnesota 23. A: 18,024 (19,356)

WORLD WIDE TECHNOLOGY CHAMPIONSHIP At El Cardonal Golf Course; in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico Purse: \$8.2 million Yardage: 7,452; Par: 72

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#### **HIGH SCHOOLS**

## SATURDAY'S RESULTS FOOTBALL

D.C. KIPP Legacy 28, KIPP College Prep 0 MARYLAND Blair 35, Laurel 10 Bowie 35, DuVal 31 Douglass 22, Friendly 7 Eleanor Roosevelt 35, Parkdale 0

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### VOLLEYBALL

**D.C.** D.C. International def. SEED 3-0 (25-19, 25-18, 25-23) BOYS' SOCCER PRIVATE

Washington Christian 2, Covenant Life 0

## Predators 5, Oilers 2

FIRST DERIOD

Scoring: 1, Edmonton, Nurse 2 (McLeod, Ekholm), 9:57 (pp). 2, Nashville, Forsberg 2 (O'Reilly, Del Gaizo), 10:22. SECOND PERIOD

Scoring: 3, Nashville, O'Reilly 5 (Carrier, Forsberg), 0:23. 4, Nashville, O'Reilly 6 (Novak, Forsberg), 3:24 (pp). 5, Edmonton, Hyman 4 (Bouchard, McDavid), 5:08 (pp). 6, Nashville, Novak 6 (Evangelista, Josi), 15:15.

#### THIRD PERIOD

### Scoring: 7, Nashville, O'Reilly 7 (Forsberg, Carrier), 8:22. SHOTS ON GOAL

NASHVILLE ..... **11 14 10 - 35 Power-play opportunities:** Nashville 1 of 4; Edmonton 2 of 3. **Goalies:** Nashville, Lankinen 1-1-0 (35 shots-33 saves). Edmonton, Campbell 1-4-0 (34-29). **A:** 18,354 (18,641). **T:** 2:31.

#### Jets 5, Coyotes 3

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FIRST PERIOD Scoring: 1, Arizona, Moser 2 (Maccelli, Crouse), 5:31.

## SECOND PERIOD

Scoring: 2, Arizona, O'Brien 2 (McBain), 5:49. 3, Winnipeg, Niederreiter 3 (Appleton, Morrissey), 7:31. 4, Winnipeg, Dillon 1 (Perfetti, Namestnikov), 10:05. 5, Arizona, Crouse 4 (Bjugstad), 14:47 (pp). 6, Winnipeg, Niederreiter 4 (Ehlers, Pionk), 17:01 (pp).

## THIRD PERIOD

Scoring: 7, Winnipeg, Dillon 2 (Appleton, Lowry), 3:23.8, Winnipeg, Niederreiter 5 (Lowry, Dillon), 7:16. SHOTS ON GOAL

 
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 Power-play opportunities: Winnipeg 1 of 3; Arizona 1 of 3. Goalies: Winnipeg, Hellebuyck 5-3-1 (26 shots-23 saves). Arizona, Vejmelka 2-4-1 (27-22). A: 4,600 (5,000). T: 2:20.

## Sabres 6, Maple Leafs 4

 
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 FIRST PERIOD

Scoring: 1, Toronto, Marner 4 (Jarnkrok, Rielly), 12:05.2, Buffalo, Peterka 5 (Power, Olofsson), 16:13 (pp). SECOND PERIOD

Scoring: 3, Buffalo, Thompson 6, 6:28 (sh). 4, Toronto, Matthews 9 (Mylander, Marner), 11:22 (pp). 5, Buffalo, Skinner 6 (R.Johnson), 11:56. THIRD PERIOD

Scoring: 6, Toronto, Matthews 10 (Marner), 0:17. 7, Buffalo, Greenway 2 (Peterka, Mittelstadt), 3:11. 8, Toron-to, Matthews 11 (Marner, Giordano), 7:26. 9, Buffalo, Tuch 2 (Dahlin, Clifton), 12:48. 10, Buffalo, Tuch 3, 18:54 (en). SHOTS ON GOAL

 
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 Power-play opportunities: Buffalo 1 of 3; Toronto 1 of 4. Goalies: Buffalo, Levi 2-3-0 (29 shots-25 saves). Toron-to, Woll 3-3-0 (39-34). A: 18,902 (18,819). T: 2:28.

#### Blues 6, Canadiens 3

FIRST PERIOD

Scoring: 1, St. Louis, Kyrou 2 (Schenn), 1:24. 2, Montreal, Slafkovský 1 (Gallagher, Newhook), 4:01 (pp). 3, St. Louis, Thomas 4 (Faulk), 16:37.

## SECOND PERIOD

Scoring: 4, St. Louis, Saad 3 (Schenn, Kyrou), 13:03. 5, Montreal, Gallagher 4 (Monahan), 14:48. THIRD PERIOD

Scoring: 6, St. Louis, Toropchenko 1 (Buchnevich), 2:50 (sh). 7, St. Louis, Schenn 1 (Saad, Kyrou), 5:53. 8, St. Louis, Kapanen 2 (Thomas), 16:00 (en). 9, Montreal, Suzuki 3 (Matheson, Caufield), 18:32.

## SHOTS ON GOAL

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 Power-play opportunities: Montreal 1 of 4; St. Louis 0 of 0. Goalies: Montreal, Montembeault 2-2-1 (34 shots-29 saves). St. Louis, Hofer 2-1-0 (33-30). A: 18,096 (18,096). T: 2:29.
 Blackhawks 5, Panthers 2

## FLORIDA 0 0 2 2 CHICAGO 3 1 1 5 FIRST PERIOD

Scoring: 1, Chicago, Foligno 2 (Perry, Jones), 6:25 (pp). 2, Chicago, Zaitsev 1 (Kurashev, Reichel), 9:21. 3, Chicago, Hall 1 (Dickinson, T.Johnson), 12:39.

#### SECOND PERIOD

Scoring: 4, Chicago, Bedard 5 (Tinordi, Kurashev), 5:29. THIRD PERIOD

Scoring: 5, Florida, Ekman-Larsson 2 (Verhaeghe, Bark-ov), 6:33 (pp). 6, Florida, Tkachuk 2 (Mahura, Verhae-ghe), 12:29. 7, Chicago, Kurashev 2 (Donato), 19:50 (en). SHOTS ON GOAL

FLORIDA ..... 
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 Power-play opportunities:
 Florida 1 of 3; Chicago 1 of 3.

 Goalies:
 Florida, Stolarz 1-1-0 (23 shots-19 saves).

 Chicago, Mrazek 3-3-0 (40-38).
 A: 18,666 (19,717).

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### Wild 5, Rangers 4 (SO)

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#### MINNESOTA WON SHOOTOUT 2-1 FIRST PERIOD

Scoring: 1, N.Y. Rangers, Vesey 1 (Pitlick, Lindgren), 3:36. 2, N.Y. Rangers, Panarin 6 (Trocheck, Lafreniere), 5:52. 3, N.Y. Rangers, Gustafsson 3 (Cuylle, Wheeler), 6:53.

#### SECOND PERIOD

Scoring: 4, Minnesota, Hartman 7 (Zuccarello, Mermis), 5:57. 5, Minnesota, Eriksson Ek 6 (Faber, Foligno), 6:26. THIRD PERIOD

Scoring: 6, Minnesota, Zuccarello 3 (Brodin, Johansson), 1:41. 7, Minnesota, Rossi 5 (Boldy, Kaprizov), 5:20. 8, N.Y. Rangers, Kreider 8 (Gustafsson, Panarin), 6:40.

#### SHOOTOUT

Minnesota 2 (Zuccarello G, Kaprizov NG, Boldy G), N.Y. Rangers 1 (Panarin G, Zibanejad NG, Trocheck NG).

## SHOTS ON GOAL

2:38

### TENNIS

## ATP

PARIS MASTERS At Palais Omnisports de Paris-Bercy; in Paris **Purse:** \$6,135,612

## Surface: Hardcourt indoor

SINGLES — SEMIFINALS

Grigor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, def. Stefanos Tsitsipas (7), Greece, 6-3, 6-7 (7-1), 7-6 (7-3); Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Andrey Rublev (5), Russia, 5-7, 7-6 (7-3), 7-5.

### DOUBLES — SEMIFINALS

Rohan Bopanna, India, and Matthew Ebden (3), Aus-tralia, def. Harri Heliovaara, Finland, and Mate Pavic, Croatia, 6-7 (7-3), 6-4, 10-6; Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France, and Santiago Gonzalez (7), Mexico, def. Rajeev Ram, United States, and Joe Salisbury (4), Britain, 6-3, 6-3.

## WTA

WTA FINALS At Plaza Quintana Roo; in Cancun Purse: \$9,000,000 Surface: Hardcourt outdoor

## SEMIFINALS

Jessica Pegula (5), United States, def. Coco Gauff (3), United States, 6-2, 6-1.

#### DOW TENNIS CLASSIC

At Midland (Mich.) Community Tennis Center Purse: \$115,000 Surface: Hardcourt indoor

### SINGLES — SEMIFINALS

Jana Fett, Croatia, def. Emma Navarro (1), United States, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4; Anna Kalinskaya, Russia, def. Alycia Parks (3), United States, 3-6, 7-6 (7-3), 6-3.

PRIVATE Archbishop Carroll 37, St. John Paul the Great 6 Flint Hill 27, St. James 7 Georgetown Prep 24, St. Albans 0 Landon 28, St. Stephen's/St. Agnes 7 Sidwell Friends 17, Digital Pioneers 10 St. John's 23, Gonzaga 20 St. Mary's Ryken 54, Bishop Ireton 24

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## CAPITALS 2, **BLUE JACKETS 1**

### BY BAILEY JOHNSON

The Washington Capitals have been searching for some puck luck. They have struggled mightily to score in their first 10 games, and though some of that has to do with the quality of the chances they have created, some of it also has stemmed from simply not getting a fortuitous bounce on occasion.

That changed midway through the first period of Saturday night's game against the Columbus Blue Jackets. Winger Tom Wilson corralled a bouncing puck, skated through three Blue Jackets on his way to the net -apoint of emphasis for the Capitals of late - and then fired a shot that skipped off a defender's stick and into the goal. That redirection was the bit of luck the Capitals had been seeking, and they carried their early lead to a 2-1 victory at Capital One Arena for the 1,000th home win in franchise history.

"You're building good habits, winning habits, for when, hopefully, we're able to score a little bit more," Coach Spencer Carbery said. "As things tighten up, you've been in these situations. You know how to play a 2-1 game. You know how to protect a one-goal lead when you're not scoring. All of that stuff, I think, for your group builds confidence."

Capitals goaltender Charlie Lindgren, making his second start and his first since the season opener Oct. 13, made 34 saves. Elvis Merzlikins had 25 for Columbus. Lindgren was injured during the Capitals' morning



Tom Wilson put a knuckling puck into the net as the Capitals scored first for the second time this season.

skate Oct. 16 and had missed nearly two weeks with an upperbody injury.

"Definitely hasn't been the start to the year that I want health-wise," he said. "Just kind of gotten some bad bounces so far. . . . Being back in the pipes tonight felt good.... And to get a big win against Columbus was pretty awesome."

Saturday was just the second time Washington (5-4-1) had scored the first goal of a game

this season. The only other time led to a roller-coaster 6-4 win over the New Jersey Devils on Oct. 25 in Newark. Taking a rare lead allowed Washington to play with more control rather than chase the game.

Winger Sonny Milano doubled the Capitals' advantage with another goal from near the crease exactly five minutes after Wilson scored. Milano skated to the back post unmarked, and defenseman Nick Jensen faked a shot before

threading a pass across the slot to Milano, who had plenty of space to tap the puck past Merzlikins.

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Dmitri Voronkov answered for the Blue Jackets (4-5-2) with a deflection at 1:38 of the second period. Middle periods have been problematic for Washington including in that win over the Devils, when a 3-0 lead rapidly turned into a 4-3 deficit.

But on Saturday, the Capitals had a response. Though they

didn't add to their lead, they cleaned up the sloppiness that had given the Blue Jackets life. The Capitals' extended sequences in the offensive zone were emblematic of the control they were able to exert following a back-and-forth opening period.

'We had some [offensive] zone shifts tonight where we were completely on script," Carbery said. "Guys were doing exactly what we talked about doing, [from] pre-scout to things that we wanted to do on the interior of the rink to puck possession. We continue to do a lot of really, really good things. You'd just like to be rewarded. To be honest with you, the win's great. You'd just like some of our guys to get rewarded for doing a lot of good things.

The Capitals' control slipped in the third period as Columbus sought an equalizer, but Lindgren held strong. The Blue Jackets threatened to even the score with 9:56 left, but Lindgren flashed his athleticism as he snagged Cole Sillinger's shot from the slot; he ended up sprawled on the ice with the puck in his glove.

The Capitals had to kill a penalty shortly after Lindgren's dramatic save, and they pressed him into action several more times.

"He's a gamer," Wilson said. "When he's in there [and] he gets momentum, he's a tough goalie to beat. He made some huge saves, some highlight-reel saves. It's fun to see him doing his thing in there."

After one of Lindgren's late saves, a scrum resulted in yet another penalty kill for the Capitals - T.J. Oshie and Martin Fehervary went off for roughing, while just Jack Roslovic was

## CAPITALS' NEXT THREE

#### vs. Florida Panthers

Wednesday 7:30 TNT

at New Jersey Devils

Friday 7 Monumental 2

#### at New York Islanders

Saturday 7:30 Monumental

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banished to the box for Columbus. The Capitals killed off that penalty, too - their 12th consecutive kill across the past five games.

The Capitals blocked 25 shots, including 11 in the third period. And after Wilson gave them the lead on that deflection in the first period, the puck luck continued to go the Capitals' way on the other end of the ice, too.

"We did enough to get it done tonight," Wilson said. "I thought we did a lot of good stuff in the [offensive] zone. If we keep doing that, the bounces will come. But that being said, we did a good job. Sacrificed [and did the] little things in the third. You have to learn how to win those games, too."

Note: Defenseman Trevor van Riemsdyk left the game early in the first period with a lower-body injury. His skates appeared to clip the bottom edge of the boards, and he went straight to the dressing room after leaving the ice in pain. Washington announced shortly afterward that van Riemsdyk wouldn't return; he skated just 1:34 on the night. Carbery said he would be reevaluated Sunday or Monday.

### NHL ROUNDUP

## Detroit scores three third-period goals to hand Boston its first regulation loss

## **RED WINGS 5. BRUINS** 4

### **FROM NEWS SERVICES**

David Perron had the go-ahead goal and two assists as the host Detroit Red Wings scored three times in the third period to beat

Ullmark stopped 35 shots. With his team trailing 3-2, Larkin tied it at 6:50 of the third when he beat Ullmark on the short side off a feed from Ravmond.

Perron gave the Red Wings their first lead 2:06 later when he whiffed on a shot, regained control of the puck and fired it past Ullmark's glove. It was his third.

Copp made it 5-3 with his fourth

post and ricocheted in. Niederreiter then tipped in a Dillon shot at 7:16 for his third career hat trick. • PREDATORS 5, OILERS 2:

Ryan O'Reilly had three goals and an assist, and Nashville beat host Edmonton to end a two-game losing streak.

Filip Forsberg added a goal and two assists, Thomas Novak also scored and Kevin Lankinen made

Alexy Toropchenko, Robert Thomas, Kasperi Kapanen and Brandon Saad also scored for the Blues. Joel Hofer made 30 saves.

Jurai Slafkovsky, Brendan Gallagher and Nick Suzuki scored for Montreal.

• SABRES 6, MAPLE LEAFS 4: Alex Tuch scored twice, and visiting Buffalo overcame Toronto star Auston Matthews's third hat

when he fell into the boards after a trip by Bruins captain Brad Marchand during the first period. Marchand was not penalized on the play. By being placed on longterm injured reserve, Liljegren will be sidelined a minimum of 10 games and 24 days.

• KINGS 5, FLYERS 0: Cam Talbot made 24 saves for the shutout, and Los Angeles got goals from Adrian Kempe, Anze Kopitar, Arthur Kaliyev, Trevor Moore and Blake Lizotte in its rout of host Philadelphia. • HURRICANES 4, ISLAND-ERS 3 (OT): In Elmont, N.Y., Sebastian Aho scored 1:14 into the overtime period to lift Carolina past New York, which blew a 3-0 lead it built in the first 25 minutes.

Kotkaniemi (15:26 on a power play) to tie.

• PANTHERS 5, BLACK-HAWKS 2: Connor Bedard scored in the second period and Philipp Kurashev had a goal and two assists, helping host Chicago beat Florida.

Carter Verhaeghe assisted on both Florida goals.

• LIGHTNING 6, SENATORS

Boston, 5-4, on Saturday night, handing the Bruins their first regulation loss this season.

Dylan Larkin and Lucas Raymond each had a goal and an assist and Andrew Copp and Jake Walman also scored for Detroit, which had lost four of five (1-3-1). Ville Husso had 26 saves.

James van Riemsdyk, Matthew Poitras, Charlie Coyle and David Pastrnak had the goals for the Bruins, who came in 9-0-1. Linus

when he banged in a rebound. Pastrnak scored on a power

plav with 5:49 remaining to pull the Bruins within one, but they couldn't get the equalizer.

• JETS 5, COYOTES 3: In Tempe, Ariz., Nino Niederreiter scored three goals and Brenden Dillon got his first two of the season, leading Winnipeg over Arizona.

Dillon snapped a 3-3 tie 3:23 into the third period when his slap shot from the left circle hit the far

33 saves to help the Predators improve to 5-6-0.

Darnell Nurse and Zach Hyman scored for Edmonton, and Jack Campbell stopped 29 shots. Winless at home, the Oilers have lost six of seven to drop to 2-7-1

• BLUES 6, CANADIENS 3: Brayden Schenn and Jordan Kyrou each had a goal and two assists, and host St. Louis beat Montreal to post back-to-back wins for the first time this season.

trick of the season.

JJ Peterka had a goal and an assist, Tage Thompson, Jeff Skinner and Jordan Greenway also scored and Devon Levi made 25 saves for Buffalo.

Also, Maple Leafs defenseman Timothy Liljegren was placed on long-term injured reserve two days after he suffered a lowerbody injury in a game against the Boston Bruins.

Liljegren was injured Thursday

Trailing 3-1 entering the final period, Carolina got goals from Dmitry Orlov (12:19) and Jesperi 4: Brayden Point had three goals and an assist to help Tampa Bay beat host Ottawa.

Nikita Kucherov had a goal and four assists for the Lightning.

Brady Tkachuk scored twice for Ottawa

• WILD 5, RANGERS 4 (SO): In St. Paul, Minn., Mats Zuccarello and Matt Boldy scored in the shootout, and Minnesota beat New York after coming back from a three-goal deficit.

### SALLY JENKINS

Bening, Foster triumph over age and blast through barriers in the biopic 'Nyad'

#### JENKINS FROM D1

preproduction "to respect the actor's process." Bening used the time to train every day for a year under the tutelage of a former U.S. Olympian, Rada Owen. "She was incredibly strong. Her stroke was beautiful. She was just flying through the water," Chin says. ". . . She took it all the way." Bening was "adamant" that she would swim every stroke in the film – which meant spending four to eight hours each day in the water. "One of the unanticipated consequences was that she was so strong, she had this endurance which allowed us to maximize our shooting schedule," Vasarhelyi says.

Bening, 65, and Foster, 60, have been unable to promote the film because of the screen actors strike. But it's plain in conversation with their filmmakers and trainers that both explicitly wanted to shatter age archetypes - really, really break them all to pieces. "It was important to both actors that we not touch their bodies, as in touch up," Vasarhelyi said. "They were committed to play women of their age." They were also committed to demonstrating the metamorphosing possibilities of strenuous athleticism. Foster told the directors she wanted to join the film in part because she wanted to show audiences two older women who were "badasses.

Bening prepared for the role by hanging out with Nyad and even doing an open water swim with her. She began the project with a slender, yoga-fit frame but put on slabs of muscle in her shoulders to cultivate the right



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Annette Bening, right, and Jodie Foster, second from left, trained rigorously for their roles in "Nyad."

heavy endurance build. "When you looked at her, she had a swimmer's back," Vasarhelyi says. Bening had little experience in the water other than crewing on a scuba boat as a teenager. But she told the former Olympian Owen that she considered acting an athletic pursuit, saying that "movement

is very important to me." The first time the former Olympian put her through a pool interval workout with just five seconds' rest between laps, she gasped almost to the point of panic. Owen taught her to manage her breath and energy and elongate her strokes. Most untrained swimmers tend to chop vainly in

the water, taking 20 to 30 strokes to swim a 25-yard pool length, "kind of like trying to kayak with a straw," Owen says. An Olympian such as Owen only needs 11 strokes. By the end of their training sessions, Bening could torque through the water in multiple 300-yard sets without gasping and glide a pool

lap in only 15 or so strokes.

Bening added enough inches to her shoulders that she told Stoll, "My jackets fit differently." She also became a dedicated swimmer who still spends an hour or so daily in the pool. When "Nyad" began to screen at film festivals, Vasarhelyi got a text from a friend's mother. "Did you airbrush Annette's legs?" it said. "No, that's God's work," Vasarhelyi replied. But it was also Bening's.

Foster's first appearance on the set came with a similar jolt of awe for the directors. On the day she agreed to take the role of Stoll, Foster stood on a New York sidewalk after meeting with Bening and told the directors, "I'm going to have to start training tomorrow for this role." Stoll, 71, a Los Angeles-based physical trainer and a former world-class racquetball player, is a burnished specimen who does 100 reps of shoulder, biceps and abdominal work a day, powerwalks for two hours at a clip and does sets of military style chinups and pull-ups.

In her previous film, "The Mauritanian," Foster played a slack-armed, helmet-haired lawyer in a suit. After that day with Foster on the sidewalk, "we never really heard anything more from her," Chin says. "And then she showed up just ripped."

Foster hung out with Stoll regularly, studying her mannerisms and honing an imitative physique. The actress embarked on a regimen of daily workouts that continued through the film, alternating kettlebells with heavy weightlifting. She combined it with a sufferingly strict diet that to the directors seemed to consist of "mostly brown rice, chicken and broccoli." At the end of the film, she told Stoll, "I hope I never see chicken again."

It is arguably the most limber acting job of Foster's career. She exudes a jubilant physicality, and the audience will be pardoned for doing a double take when she appears on a boat deck wearing cargo shorts and a sports bra and for grabbing their phones to look up Foster's age. She will turn 61 on Nov. 19. Recently, the directors met her at a social occasion. "I'm being objectified," she teased them. Vasarhelyi says, "For me, she's a new body goal, like a new measure that I personally aspire to."

The theme of Nyad is simply: Aging is an inevitability, but weakness isn't, not if you're willing to keep lifting things above your shoulders. "You know, we don't have to lose our muscle," Stoll says.

But there is an underlying message, too, a more subtle one delivered by Bening and Foster in their transfigurations from slender actresses into absolute athletes. Not much really separates great athleticism from great acting. Both require rigor, practice, the development of fine sensory perception and a fundamental lack of vanity in search of a mysterious elevation. Bening and Foster give the audience acting and athleticism and along the way a reminder of the exultation to be found in any physically immersive endeavor, no matter what your age or state of being.

"I'm not done," Bening tells Foster in the movie, "and neither are you."

## Hayes, highly successful in Europe, hired to coach U.S. women's national team

### SOCCER FROM D1

USSF was planning to hire Haves.

Åndonovski stepped down as coach following the team's round-of-16 defeat to Sweden this past summer at the World Cup in Australia and New Zealand. Never before had the fourtime champion failed to reach the semifinals. The U.S. team also failed to win the gold medal at the Tokyo Olympics in 2021, settling for bronze after a semifinal defeat to Canada.

Hayes, 47, will inherit a team in transition following the retirements of Megan Rapinoe and Julie Ertz, the phasing out of other veterans and the rise of young players such as Trinity Rodman, Sophia Smith and Alys-



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Emma Hayes, 47, has coached Chelsea to six Women's Super League titles and five FA Cup trophies.

sa Thompson. Two others, Catarina Macario and Mia Fishel, play for Hayes at Chelsea.

The next U.S. camp is ahead of friendlies against China on Dec. 2 in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Dec. 5 in Frisco, Tex.

Hayes does have ties to American soccer. She coached the Long Island Lady Riders from 2001 to 2003, followed by a three-year stint at Iona College. After three years as an Arsenal assistant, she guided the Chicago Red Stars for two seasons in Women's Professional Soccer, the precursor to the National Women's Soccer League.

Since 2012, Hayes has coached Chelsea to six WSL titles and five FA Cup trophies. In 2021, she was voted FIFA's world coach of the year. Her record with Chelsea is

236-58-39.

"Emma has been one of the biggest drivers of change in women's football," Chelsea co-sporting directors Laurence Stewart and Paul Winstanley said in a statement. "Her achievements at Chelsea are unrivaled and will live in the club's history forever."

They added, "Given everything she has contributed to Chelsea in over a decade with the club, and the legacy she leaves behind, we would never stand in her way when she felt it was the right time to pursue a new challenge."

Todd Boehly, Chelsea's American owner, said in a statement: "Emma's contribution to Chelsea cannot be understated. She has been a pioneer in women's football and is hugely respected within the game."

## When a teammate got cancer, the Crofton girls kick-started the fundraising

## BY NICKY WOLCOTT

When Caroline Ray told Abby Makela in June that she had been diagnosed with osteosarcoma, a rare type of bone cancer, Makela was determined to help.

The two Crofton girls' soccer players immediately bonded during Rav's first summer workout with the Cardinals as a freshman in 2022 and have been close friends since despite a two-grade gap. Makela looked into ways she could fundraise and raise local awareness

One of her first ideas to stick was a "yellow-out" for Crofton's home opener Sept. 13, when the Cardinals asked fans to wear yellow to support Ray during childhood cancer awareness month. The team posted about the game online to spread the message but wanted to surprise Ray, who was receiving treatment at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore.

"Keeping a teenager off social media is not the easiest thing to do, especially when you're sitting in the oncology clinic waiting for treatment," said Kristina Ray, Caroline's mother. "We tried to keep her distracted until she found out. Then everything just started getting bigger and bigger and bigger."

Ray found out before getting to the match, but that was just the start of the Cardinals' seasonlong initiative to support her. What began with one yellow-out



Abby Makela, second from right, has led efforts that have raised more than \$7,000 for Caroline Ray, right, since Ray's cancer diagnosis.

5:30 a.m. for a biopsy.

The osteosarcoma diagnosis in Ray's left femur was confirmed June 2, and she started chemotherapy June 8. Approximately 800 cases of osteosarcoma are reported each year in the United States, according to Johns Hopkins. About half occur in children and teens.

Ray received chemotherapy in cycles of five weeks and underwent a 19-hour surgery in August. Ray avoided a knee replacement, which probably would have ended her hopes of returning to the pitch and her aspiration of playing soccer at a Division I school, Kristina Ray said.

"She cried when I told her that she got her cadaver bone. It was happy tears, knowing that that gave her the possibility to get back on the soccer field," Kristina Ray said.

Ray was one of three freshmen to make varsity for the Cardinals last year, when they went on to claim the Maryland 3A state title. She hosted a team sleepover before the season started that Makela credited with bringing the Cardinals closer together ahead of their run to the young program's first state championship.

Ray has been able to stay involved with the team since and has attended a few games, including the yellow-out and Makela's senior day. Crofton's coaches made sure Ray remained listed as a player on this year's varsity

game turned into multiple fundraising drives to support Ray and her family led by Makela and Crofton throughout its season, which ended with a loss in the Maryland 4A East I region final Tuesday.

The Cardinals have raised more than \$7,000 by creating a fundraising drive dubbed "Coins for Caroline" - in which they placed jars at concession stands to collect change during home games - selling shirts and bracelets and generating a QR code so people can donate to the family through Venmo.

Those efforts started immediately after Ray told Makela about the diagnosis. Makela, a senior

goalkeeper, worked with her mother, Tracey Makela, and Ray's aunt, Carter Heim, to brainstorm different ways to support her friend.

"As soon as that happened, I knew I had to do something to help her," Makela said. "The entire summer we were planning different names for a fundraiser, what it would go to, how to get it out and how to get other people involved with it."

The support for Ray quickly spread to other teams and schools. Crofton's field hockey and football teams held yellowout games of their own. Meade's football team affixed a sticker of a yellow ribbon to its helmets for its game against the Cardinals in September.

"After every football game, soccer game, field hockey game, the jars kept getting fuller and fuller," Makela said.

Makela, who spearheaded the team's fundraising efforts, has supported her friend in other ways. She will randomly pop in to spend time with Ray whether she's at home or receiving treat-

the Hoyas' games were decided

by single digits. And they have

impressive nonconference wins

over Loyola Blakefield, Woodber-

but not overzealous heading into

fastest, strongest," Georgetown

Prep Coach Dan Paro said.

whose 18 first-half carries pro-

duced 159 yards and two touch-

downs that put his team up 17-0

said when asked to describe his

teammate. "Hard-hitting. Hard-

fourth quarter, the defense kept

the sideline more than confident.

Twice, on interceptions by senior

Jayson Penn and junior Wyatt

Bowman, the Hoyas extinguished

the Bulldogs' longest drives.

St. Albans never reached the red

zone, nor did it have a drive in

which it amassed more than

"He's a dog," senior Lee Bruner

the final two weeks.

at halftime.

working. Dog."

That's why they were confident

"We've never been the biggest,

ry Forest and Riverdale Baptist.

ment. When Ray arrived from chemotherapy at the hospital to Crofton's homecoming parade, Makela, whom Ray called "a big sister," came running up to push Ray and her wheelchair to the team's float. They joked Makela was getting her workout in for the day, Ray said.

"Cancer treatments are expensive, even when you have insurance," Kristina Ray said. "The parking, the gas, the food while you're in the hospital, the co-pays - it all starts adding up, and I've had to miss quite a bit of work to

## **DCSAA CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

## Summer training helps Kelly repeat in the fall

## BY SAM JANE

But in the middle portion of off. The junior ran every day in jagged, she felt herself pulling away, and the crowd told her what she couldn't see.

"One hundred-meter lead!"

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St. Albans junior Sebi Hume continued his winning ways with a time of 15:45. Sophomore Anthony Sarro of Gonzaga was second in 15:51. Gonzaga won the team title with 34 points by finishing "This girl is moving!" a spectawith five of the top 10 runners. Led by Hume, St. Albans was second at 43. After a successful 2022, Kelly wanted to make sure she put herself in the best position to run

in college. Alongside her two sisters, who run as well, the family took a month-long vacation to Boulder to run in higher elevation. Kelly boosted her mileage and trained every day to prepare for this season, and that more than paid off.

Only a standout showing by the St. John's girls – five runners in the top 15 - kept Visitation from having a perfect day.

"Vivian Kelly executed a phenomenal race," Cadets Coach Desmond Dunham said, "but we knew we were running for each

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be there with her... Their efforts

have made it where I'm not as

stressed about that part, and I

can focus on being with Caroline."

her knee in March and began

physical therapy and chiropractic

care for what was believed to be

an iliotibial band issue. But dur-

ing a visit to an orthopedic knee

specialist May 25, she got con-

cerning X-rays that prompted an

MRI exam. Ray's family met with

an oncologist and a team of doc-

tors May 30 and were notified

Ray should return the next day at

Ray first started feeling pain in

to see, like, my friends and kind of see like my second family in a way ... it's been an easier journey," Ray said.

With her chemotherapy treatment scheduled to end in January, Ray aims to take the field again with her teammates in June.

"Family's supposed to be there for you, good times and bad. ... People always say, 'Oh, my soccer family,' but until you're going through something like this, you really don't realize just how important these people that you spend all this time with really are," Kristina Ray said.

enough to propel Visitation to a

team victory; St. John's prevailed

with 44 points, followed by Visita-

tion at 50. On the boys' side,

## IAC FOOTBALL

## **Dominant Little Hoyas** can clinch share of title

## G'TOWN PREP 24. ST. ALBANS 0

### BY SPENCER NUSBAUM

It took exactly seven plays Saturday afternoon to discover what No. 19 Georgetown Prep was about.

Little Hoyas, who The thumped host St. Albans, 24-0, in Northwest Washington, are constructed to win close games, protect leads and thrive in the muck. They don't commit turnovers. They avoid penalties, lean on a defensive line that gets after the quarterback and boast a secondary that denies explosive plays. And, crucially, they have senior running back Colin Reynolds.

So for seven snaps, the Hoyas (7-2) stuck to the script. Three times, they stopped the Bulldogs (4-5), forcing a punt. Next, they returned the ball to near midfield. And for each of the next three plays, they handed the ball to Reynolds, who hit holes created by the offensive line - twice carrying defenders on his back for additional yardage - for runs of 23, 20 and five yards and an early lead.

As the Hoyas returned to the sideline, an assistant coach barked out, "Don't lose your focus!"

They never did. As a result, Georgetown Prep earned an opportunity to clinch a share of its 21st Interstate Athletic Conference title if it can defeat Bullis on Friday.

"This team is just a little hungrier this year," senior quarterback Carson Whittier said, referencing last year's loss to Episcopal that snapped a three-season IAC title run.

The Hoyas' commitment to that dogged approach has paid dividends in an IAC rife with parity. Two-thirds of conference clashes were decided by one score, and the three favorites split their matchups: Georgetown Prep beat Landon, Landon beat Episcopal, and Episcopal beat Georgetown Prep. Two-thirds of

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30 yards.



#### "That's why we have the core Over the first mile of Saturday's beliefs of team, family, doing all D.C. State Athletic Association things the right way.... If you get girls' cross-country championthem to believe in those, it's ship at Kenilworth Park, five runamazing how well it can work." ners were crowded together at Early on Saturday, the Hoyas the front of the pack. The mashleaned heavily on Reynolds,

## tor yelled. Her advantage kept growing. She finished the 5K course in

Wright) to cross the line. Kelly entered as the favorite, but this dominant of a performance could not have been anticipated. The junior shaved more than a minute and a half off her winning time from last year (20:12). "I was shocked," Kelly said. "I

some shouted.

honestly was just hoping to break 20 [minutes]."

Instead, she ran the fastest girls' time at the DCSAA meet since 2017, when National Cathedral's Page Lester finished in 18.05

Kelly's success was not quite

other."

18 minutes 27 seconds, and it took 35 more seconds for the runnerup (National Cathedral's Cecilia

up of colors representing different schools suggested the favorite

might be having an off day. the race, when it became a slog, the training that Georgetown Visitation's Vivian Kelly endured in Colorado over the summer paid

Though the Georgetown Prep high elevation for a month, just offense went cold until senior for moments such as this. As her competitors' breathing became Ciaran McCleary's 70-yard touchdown reception early in the

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**CRITIC'S NOTEBOOK** 

# **Talented humans** make an instant AI musical sing in 'Artificial Flavors'



ABOVE: From left, Aysan Celik, Heath Saunders, Colleen Werthmann, Michael Castillejos, Trey Lyford and Jennifer Morris in the **Civilians' "Artificial Flavors."** The off-Broadway troupe performs a new musical generated by ChatGPT each night. LEFT: The Civilians' founding artistic director Steve Cosson serves as emcee of the performance. "We're kind of in the same business," Cosson says of AI, "creating fake life and trying to pass it off as the real thing."

ow do you analyze the artistic circuitry of a new musical when the musical's lyricist is just circuits?

I faced this challenge the other night at an off-Broadway theater, where "Fur and Revelations" had its first (and, by design, only) performance. Living, breathing actors performed the musical, but no human brain put the words in their mouths – unless vou counted the person at a laptop, typing in prompts.

ChatGPT, the OpenAI chatbot that the world is chatting about. was the digital workhorse behind "Fur and Revelations," the fascinating 40-minute central component of "Artificial Flavors," a world-premiere performance piece at 59E59 Theaters by the splendid off-Broadway troupe the Civilians. Some commands regarding subject matter were en-

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tered to create a script and lyrics. And you know what? "Fur and Revelations" — the title the bot came up with – was surprisingly entertaining, in a uniquely klutzy, ersatz sort of way.

Don't get me wrong: The output of actual human artists is not threatened by this bot theater maker (not yet, anyway). As made clear by the team behind "Artificial Flavors" – led by the Civilians' founding artistic director, Steve Cosson — a text-generating AI program asked to devise original content leans heavily on an archival trove of clichés. The resulting "work," it seems, is original (a new musical is generated each night) insofar as it mimics the patterns of material already in the internet's virtual hive mind.

To help me understand what I was about to see onstage, I brought along my daughter's boy-

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vear-old doctoral student with data-crunching talents that are as mysterious to me as the wiring inside my MacBook Air. Over dinner, he pulled out his phone and showed me the simple interface that sets ChatGPT in motion: a homepage with a message box. I asked it to write a play about a man walking into a pet store to buy a parrot. In seconds, it replied with a sketch in which John, the buyer, tells Sarah, the clerk, he wants to spend \$200. To which Polly, the parrot, pipes up: "Squawk! Cheapskate!"

friend, Isaac Rodriguez, a 33-

Okay, Monty Python's classic dead parrot skit won't be supplanted in the comedy annals, but still, I had to stop and wonder whether ChatGPT was actually a bunch of joke writers in a back office in Hoboken. It's one of the puzzling ethical issues raised by both technology and "Artificial Flavors": How will the performing arts contend with the financial and legal implications of a process so rapid, and so densely derivative?

"Artificial Flavors" takes this basic formula to a far more sophisticated level. Cosson serves as emcee for the evening, explaining at the outset that he's become something of an AI obsessive. "I spend many a late night trying to write a song or a scene or a story," he tells the audience, adding that he even used AI to create a bot of himself that he named Aging Homosexual, and with which (whom?) he carries on conversations. The philosophical crossovers for an artist, pondering what he does for a living and what AI does by algorithm, transfix Cosson on some eerie metaphysical level.

We're kind of in the same business," Cosson declares, "creating fake life and trying to pass it off as the real thing."

The ensuing performance immerses us all in the crossover, via a cast of six actors well drilled in improvisation: Michael Castillejos, Aysan Celik, Trey Lyford, Jennifer Morris, Heath Saunders and Colleen Werthmann. Music director Dan Lipton stands at his musical keyboard stage right, and at the back of the black box space Attilio Rigotti creates images that are projected onto the stage.

While ChatGPT whips up lyrics and dialogue lickety-split, and, Cosson says, offers suggestions for musical chords, Lipton adds full musical phrases on the spot, and the actors follow his lead. As a preliminary demonstration, Cosson, seated at a laptop, asks the chatbot: "The play is called 'Artificial Flavors.' Can you write the theme song to this play?"

The answer comes back, a song poetically titled "Synthetic Harmony":

In a world spun of ones and zeros, here we stand On the brink of the future, hand in hand.

With every echo of a thought, a new dawn arises,

A symphony of code, life's new disguise.

When it comes to creating the one-act musical, the audience votes on three thematic possibilities that Cosson has come up with. We overwhelmingly chose option three: a musical set at a convention of Furries. (This is a community of people who dress up as animal figures with human characteristics.)

What followed was a computer's idea of what a story told with integrated songs for six characters might be. (Pirandello might have loved this.) "Fur and Revelations" had a linear plot, with some intuition, if that's the right

word, about how a juicy tale might incorporate secrets and characters with bad intentions. But the effort also felt sincere, with songs – performed by the actors, holding tablets - that attempted to illuminate the bond among Furry fans.

"It's not just suits and art, it's part of who we are," the computer wrote in one lyric, adding quite nicely that the Furries are "bound by the paw prints we leave in the sand." In the recycling of narrative twists, though - multiple malevolent USB flash drives figured in successive scenes - one got a sense of the limits of the chatbot's imaginative reserves.

The actors invested "Fur and Revelations" with their own inventive comic energy - their tone not so much mocking as mischievous, as if they were on a computer-aided edition of "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" Doubtless, their professional sheen was the polish that Chat-GPT needed to keep an audience engaged.

"Artificial Flavors" is an enjoyable experiment, heightened by Cosson's witty, playful curiosity, and the invigorating ingenuity of Lipton, Rigotti and that cadre of actors. Would I want to see another musical manufactured by AI? Not really. But I wondered what the chatbot thought of its future in the theater. So I asked it. Here was its reply:

"In a world where the fusion of technology and artistry becomes increasingly prevalent, ChatGPT stands tall as a beacon of inspiration. Its ability to compose music not only mirrors the genius of human composers but also opens the door to a future where artificial intelligence and human creativity harmoniously coexist. As we eagerly anticipate the next notes composed by ChatGPT, we can only marvel at the wondrous possibilities that lie ahead in the ever-expanding universe of AIgenerated musical brilliance."

Wow, the ego. It really may belong in show business after all.

Artificial Flavors, created and

directed by Steve Cosson. Music direction, Dan Lipton; set, Casaboyce; projections, Attilio Rigotti; costumes, Emily Rebholz; lighting, Amith Chandrashaker; sound, Ryan Gamblin; movement, Sean Donovan. About 90 minutes. Through Nov. 19 at 59E59 Theaters, 59 E. 59th St., New York. thecivilians.org.



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## Is it wrong to ask girlfriend to drop her aggressive male friend who hates me?



drunkenly expressed that he Carolyn hates me, while he Hax attempted to physically

intimidate me. I de-escalated the situation, but it still made my girlfriend cry.

male friend who

In subsequent days, the male friend soberly reiterated his hatred of me.

My girlfriend and I have been together two years, and she has been friends with the man for five. Would it be appropriate for me to ask my girlfriend to end her relationship with her friend? -Anonumous

Anonymous: It would be appropriate – and better for you in the end – to holster any requests, demands or ultimatums and ask your girlfriend what she intends to do about him. Not only are any consequences better if they're her decision, but you also want to know what exactly her decision would be.

Specifically: You want her to rethink the friendship because she sees his behavior as grounds for that, not just because you do.

And if she doesn't, then you definitely want to know that and why, and whether you respect her reasoning - so you can plot your well-informed course from there.

Dear Carolyn: My mother died a few years ago, and my dad is now remarried. His new wife and her adult daughters are very focused on weight and looks. They talk all the time about who has lost weight and who looks good or not.

Dad was always a big guy, but new wife and daughters are very proud of how, with new wife, he has lost a lot of weight. They frequently say things that imply that my mother was responsible for him, like, "He was always so heavy when he was married to your mom," "Your mom didn't

seem to care that he was heavy," "Your mom never made him lose weight," and "Our mom would never put up with an overweight husband.

Their "fat talk" makes me feel bad, since I'm a little overweight. but it especially angers me that my mother is posthumously criticized for not having – what, controlled the weight of an independent adult? I feel I need to defend her, which is also ridiculous, because she is dead.

I want to get along, and I try to change the subject or say things like, "Eh, in my house, we don't worry so much about this stuff." But the looks and weight obsession is painful, and it's one of their main topics of conversation. Advice? Stepfamily

**Stepfamily:** There is nothing "ridiculous" about defending your mother's memory against these calorie trolls.

Especially since the party you're really defending is you: You care about your mom, your values and loyalties are being mocked, you feel the sting of their insults.

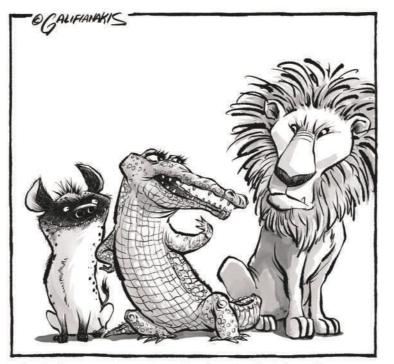
So, next time: "Please don't talk about my mother that way. Thank you.'

Follow up as needed: "My dead mother, remember? I love her. Please stop." Invite them to get along with you for a change.

I mean, holy doughnuts. I realize the daughters are adults now themselves, but the values their mother taught them (and presumably her parent(s) forcefed to her at some point, tracing ever backward) sound like child abuse to me.

I'm also sorry weight and looks are what pass for interesting conversation when you visit your dad. Dreadful. You have my condolences.

Dear Carolyn: My 22-year-old daughter received some bad health news and had an appointment to find out if things were bad, or really bad. My longterm girlfriend was on vacation, aware of the situation, and knew



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#### how much I was stressed out. I didn't hear from her until a day and a half after the appointment: she had cell service and plenty of time to text or call. To me, that lack of followup was a shot through the heart of our relationship. To her, it was no big deal.

Am I overreacting? She's never been great at emotional support, so part of me thinks I shouldn't be surprised, but the other part thinks it's time to go.

- Asking Too Much?

Asking Too Much?: Those last two points aren't opposite ends of a scale, you know — you can be utterly unsurprised and still recognize it's time to go.

There also is no objective standard for reacting vs. overreacting. It is all relative to your needs and whether, in your estimation, they're being met well enough to justify staying with your girlfriend. If you decide you'd rather not

date anyone than date someone

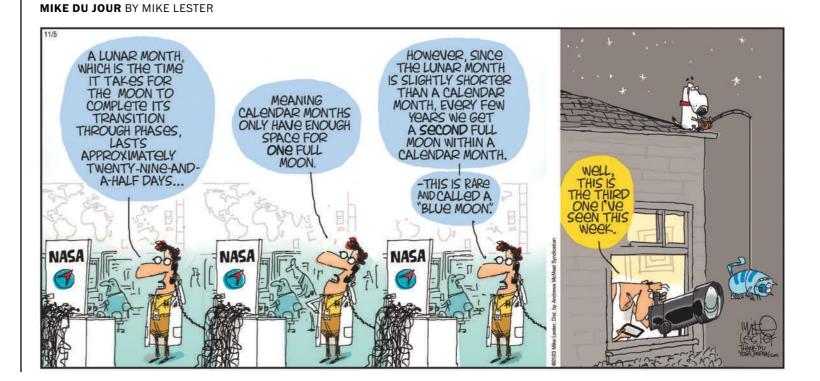
who doesn't call when you're upset and has "never been great at emotional support," then breaking up is a proportionate reaction - response - to her behavior. Who was "right" or "wrong" about the value of calling is beside the point.

Alternately, if you end this long relationship out of pique over the non-call, only to regret it as soon as your emotions settle, then that's an overreaction.

So to prevent overreactions. resist the impulse to react, period. Wait till you aren't as upset - and say so, if needed: "I'm not sure yet how I feel." Then trust your calmer mind with the real question: Are you better with her, or without?

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## Juried exhibition celebrates the depth and breadth of D.C.-area artists

#### BY MARK JENKINS

With work by 50 contributors, "(Not) Strictly Painting" is an impressive survey of recent output by local artists who are (mostly) painters. For regular visitors to the area's visual-art venues, though, the McLean Project for the Arts exhibition may prompt sensations of déjà Vu.

Painter-turned-sculptor Barbara Januszkiewicz's tintedplexiglass assemblage, which gives pure-color painting a 3D presence, resembles her piece in "Artina 2023: Queering Nature," on view through Nov. 12 at Sandy Spring Museum. Sookkyung Park's construction of hotcolored origami pieces, arranged in a circle to evoke the sun, is identical or very similar to her painted-paper sculptures shown at two Maryland galleries this year. Maremi Andreozzi's two paintings of historical women in elaborate costumes, but with their faces in silhouette, are from a series recently featured at Adah Rose Gallery. And Cory Oberndorfer's painting of frozen confections outlined by roughedged blocks of color is essentially a smaller version of his mural outside Culture House. All are worth seeing, or seeing ΕZ

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the viewer underwater. More

traditional are Freya Grand's

pair of realist nature scenes,

which focus tightly on small areas of sea or earth. Her "Gully"

painting's ability to draw the eye

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again. But there aren't a lot of surprises in this selection, whose guest juror is Tim Brown, director of IA&A at Hillyer. The show includes a few

entries that really aren't paintings at all, including one of Kanika Sircar's elegant ceramic flasks and an animated video from Ann Stoddard that responds to oppressive policing of Black youths. More typical, though, are painting-sculpture hybrids such as Judith Pratt's red-and-black cut-paper piece, which droops on the wall like a soft rib cage, or Gayle Friedman's color-field canvas, divided between planes of orange or yellow, atop of which are looped lengths of band-saw blade painted in the contrasting hue.

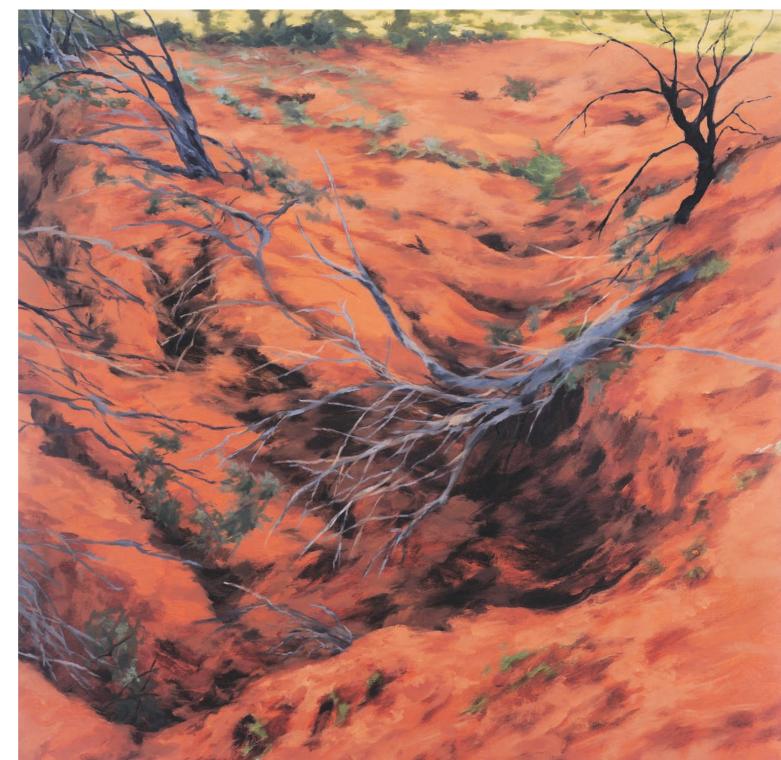
A few works that are essentially flat nonetheless conjure a three-dimensional experience. Joanne Kent elegantly arrays tufts of paint in shades of green, and Sondra Arkin positions white circles and black lines on pale blue to plunge 11 at McLean Project for the Arts, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. mpaart.org. 703-790-1953.

## Willy Fish Yowaiski

Executed over many years and with various techniques, Willy Fish Yowaiski's abstractions are diverse in means but similar in effect. They're mostly allover pictures with no central focus and a sense of potentially infinite expanses. His show at the Hyattstown Mill Arts Project was scheduled for 2020 before the pandemic intervened, which partly explains its title: "WillyVision2020 (So ... Where Were We?)." Most of the pieces are paintings, but the Maryland artist also offers collages and two sets of cubist-influenced drawings. The artworks' tangled patterns suggest overgrown gardens, fractured mosaics or maps of rural areas - although perhaps the capillary-like strands of "Currents: Wing and Water" appear to resemble meandering two-lane roads primarily because the painting hangs next to a collage that incorporates fragments of actual maps. The artist works mostly with acrylics but sometimes adds enamel or spray paint, and seems open to whatever circumstance might shape his style. One of his more striking pictures, "Splendid Shadows," is the indirect result of a broken arm: Unable to wield a brush, the artist used his fingers to render brightly colored, flowerlike gestures, which he later framed with areas of black. The result somewhat resembles a stained-glass window, which is apt. Yowaiski's pictures don't depict religious scenes, but they are luminous and constructed from intricately nested parts. FREYA GRAND

ABOVE: "Gully" by Freya Grand is one of the more traditional works in "(Not) Strictly Painting" at McLean Project for the Arts.

BELOW: "Quotations" by Willy Fish Yowaiski is on display as part of "WillyVision2020 (So ... Where Were We?)" at Hyattstown Mill Arts Project.









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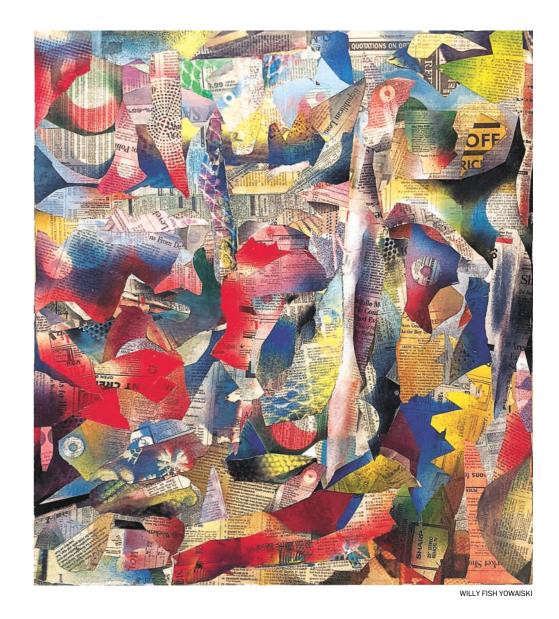


Willy Fish Yowaiski: WillyVision2020 (So ... Where Were We?) Through Nov. 19 at Hyattstown Mill Arts Project, 14920 Hyattstown Mill Rd., Hyattstown. hyattstownmill.org. 301-830-1142.

## Yumiko Hirokawa

The paintings in Yumiko Hirokawa's show at the Watergate Gallery, "Letter to the World," are in two modes: realist and expressionist. While quite different, both express the artist's plea for peace. A 2003 graduate of the Corcoran College of Art who returned to her native Japan last year, Hirokawa can apply paint with neoclassical precision. Her

crisply detailed pictures of flowers, birds and clouds appear





LEFT: "Flow" by Yumiko Hirokawa, included in her exhibit "Letter to the World" at the Watergate Gallery. The artist's underlying message is a plea for peace.

BELOW: "The Warm World" by Ram Brisueño in his show "Young Mornings," a collection of collagepaintings at Zenith Gallery.

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gentle and serene. But the birds are references to the proverbial canary in the coal mine, a harbinger of danger, and the clouds meld formations the artist saw over New Mexico with the ominous one her father glimpsed above Nagasaki in August 1945. The billowing "Sky of August" is dotted with goldleaf daubs to represent lanterns lighted during Obon, the Japanese summer festival that honors the spirits of the action but not conflict, they depict a world that is as idealized as the images are stylized.

Yumiko Hirokawa: Letter to the World Through Nov. 11 at the Watergate Gallery, 2552 Virginia Ave. NW. watergategalleryframedesign.com. 202-338-4488.

## Ram Brisueño

Although they're set in a universe in flux, Ram Brisueño's collage-paintings have an enduring sense of self. The works in "Young Mornings," the Baltimore artist's show at Zenith Gallery, are usually centered on a single heroic figure who appears to be either emerging from or receding into a teeming environment. includes two figures, one appears to be a centaur and the other has a blossom for a head, flowering atop an ornately body-painted Black frame. Also common are arrays of concentric dots, usually rendered in blotchy white or yellow, that surround a person like a halo, or a personal Milky Way.

Brisueño is self-taught, and his primitivist style can show more exuberance than finesse. Sometimes working from found photographic images, the artist seems to assemble his pictures intuitively. But that spontaneity suits his anything-goes scenarios, in which people can grow wings or stand in houses that sprout trees. Brisueño's heavily layered tableaux approximate the unceasing fecundity of nature.

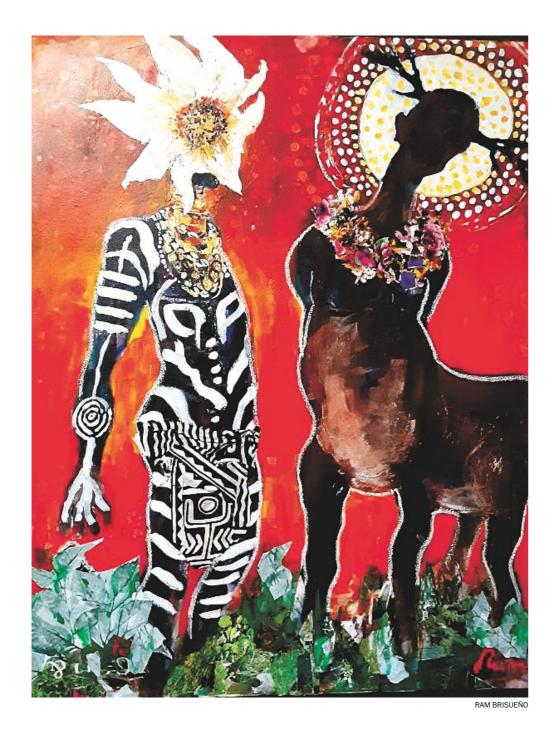


departed.

Metallic leaf, usually silver, features more prominently in the expressionist works. These include ones in which white blossoms, leaves or olive branches are scattered or bent across shiny surfaces, as if nudged by wind. The looser, less literal pictures are closer to traditional Japanese paintings, but with silver foil taking the place of black ink. Evoking

Blossoming plants envelop many of the people, some of whom may be transforming into other life forms. In "The Warm World," a rare composition that

Ram Brisueño: Young Mornings Through Nov. 25 at Zenith Gallery, 1429 Iris St. NW. zenithgallery.com. 202-783-2963.



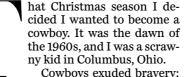
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Pioneering Black lawman Reeves is the western hero



Cowboys exuded bravery; they rescued people; they galloped across the wide plains with fierce glints in their eyes. Come evening they kicked up dust from inside the floor-model TV screen in our living room on North Fifth Street. "Gunsmoke," "Laredo," "The Riflematter how historic.

Upon the rough-and-tumble frontier, Reeves — sometimes accompanied by other deputies — is soon seen making arrests, knocking down doors, galloping hard toward trouble and outwitting crooks. His legend grows. "You a lawman or an outlaw?" a small Black kid, mesmerized, asks Reeves.

"A bit of both, I reckon," Reeves answers. It's a revelatory moment, illustrating David Oyelowo portrays the star lawman in Paramount Plus's "Lawmen: Bass Reeves." In the TV show, Reeves escapes slavery, marries and tries farming. He then comes to the attention of a judge who has heard about his prowess as a tracker, and Reeves is offered a job as a deputy U.S. marshal.

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BY WIL HAYGOOD



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The real Bass Reeves, above, was a Black law enforcement legend who made thousands of arrests and was involved in untold shootouts in the 19th century as a deputy U.S. marshal on the American frontier. Yet, unlike White lawmen, his heroic legacy was forgotten after he died. man," "The Life and Legend of Wyatt Earp" and "Have Gun — Will Travel" suddenly became my favorites.

The Ohio winter kept us inside for long stretches, so there I was, lying across our living room floor, sinking into the lore and legend of the American cowboy. I begged Santa to bring me the all-black cowboy outfit worn by Paladin (Richard Boone), the main character on "Have Gun — Will Travel." Paladin had such style.

We lived — my sisters, my brother and I — with my grandparents and my mom, who was yet again between hotel kitchen jobs. Money was tight. Still, I dashed down the stairs on Christmas morning and there it was, laid out, my Paladin cowboy outfit, with two pearl-handled six-shooters in holsters and silvery beads sewn into the hat.

I was soon quick-drawing my sixshooters on imaginary bandits lurking in our basement. When weather permitted, I took to the outdoors as Paladin, looking for varmints. Cowboy lingo had entered my vocabulary.

We lived six blocks from the state fairgrounds coliseum where the rodeo came to town every year. I saw flesh-andblood cowboys up close, galloping on horseback. I was the happiest horseless cowboy around.

Yet, now, looking back through the eyes of a little Black boy, one thing was constant with all of my beloved cowboys, from TV screen to local rodeo: They were all White. I adored them, sure enough, but none of those cowboy figures looked like the grown Black men I knew.

It was but the glory and myth of the way America — on both small and big screens — introduced cowboys. Black cowboys were mostly absent, washed away.

It's been thrilling, therefore, to watch the first three episodes of the series "Lawmen: Bass Reeves" (premiering Nov. 5 on Paramount Plus). The eight-episode series stars David Oyelowo as Reeves and is executive-produced by, among others, Taylor Sheridan, Jessica Oyelowo, David Glasser and David Oyelowo himself.

Sheridan is the creator of Paramount Plus's "Yellowstone" juggernaut and its spinoffs, which consistently have drawn high ratings. Cowboys are having a moment.

In the new show, Reeves escapes slavery, takes a bride, tries farming, flails at it, and eventually comes to the attention of a judge who has heard about his prowess as a tracker. Reeves is offered a job as a deputy U.S. marshal. There is not any fanfare around his appointment, no for me how little Black boys, like myself, were also missing from all those old cowboy shows.

Few cinematic treatments in any genre, however, have been as tethered to myth as cowboys have. In the 1800s, cowboys were vulnerable to mythmaking. They existed in a rural landscape often visited by dime-store novelists.

Fictions flew like wild geese from town to town. The number of victims in shootouts seemed to multiply on the back end of telegrams. Good Samaritan acts morphed into tales of unimaginable heroism. A genre was created that saw few boundaries when it came to telling the truth.

In the 1962 John Ford western movie "The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance," there is an exchange between two characters, one asking a reporter about a possible story:

"You're not going to use the story, Mr. Scott?"

"No, sir," the reporter answers. "This is the West, sir. When the legend becomes fact, print the legend."

B ass Reeves was a revered law enforcement legend during his lifetime. Unlike other Wild West figures who were lathered in hagiography, Reeves needed no embellishment.

There was a factual paper trail: Born in 1838, he had been enslaved, and that could be proved, as could his escape from the Confederate Army into which he and his enslaver had been forced.

The Emancipation Proclamation finally freed him. He lived with Native Americans for a while, learned multiple languages. He gave farming a try when he abandoned tribal living.

A reputation soon spread that Reeves could hunt and track things, including people. His renown got him hired as a deputy U.S. marshal, believed to have been the first Black person hired in the position west of the Mississippi.

He worked mostly in and around Arkansas and present-day Oklahoma. White people were so astonished by his presence they often looked at him as if he had just dropped from the sky. There were thousands of arrests. And untold shootouts. The lawman Bass Reeves died in 1910 — and then his legacy was forgotten.

The whitewashing of his legacy had actually begun before his death. S.W. Harman published a book, "Hell on the Border," in 1898 about the various lawmen who operated throughout the federal district overseen by Judge Isaac Parker, the area where Reeves mostly worked. SEE **BASS REEVES** ON **E7**  "When you contextualize [Bass Reeves's] life with these seminal moments in American history of slavery, Reconstruction, going into Jim Crow, and to have that level of success and notoriety as a lawman is just extraordinary."

**David Oyelowo,** speaking to Entertainment Weekly





#### BASS REEVES FROM E6

Since Reeves had apprehended a legion of dangerous criminals - sometimes donning disguises to do so - it was assumed he'd be a major figure in the Harman book.

"But he's omitted. And that's just tragic!" says Sidney Thompson, author of two Bass Reeves historical novels, "Follow the Angels, Follow the Doves," and, upon the frontier. Little wonder he slept with weapons nearby.

President Abraham Lincoln signed the 1862 Homestead Act in an effort to get people to go west and farm. Any Blacks encountered by Reeves were most likely beneficiaries of that act. If one successfully farmed over a period of a few years, the land would be given to them, provided they paid certain fees and taxes.

In 1904, Oscar Micheaux, an enterpris-



jumping off the Harman title, "Hell on the Border" — which the Paramount Plus series is based on.

On the phone from Oklahoma, Thompson, 58, says he never knew of Reeves until he heard actor Morgan Freeman talking about him while being interviewed on a television show. Freeman lamented he couldn't find much material on Reeves.

Thompson then became obsessed with Reeves. He enrolled in a doctoral program at the University of North Texas and plowed into the forgotten lawman's life.

He visited the territories where Reeves worked. He studied old arrest warrants and documents linked to Reeves, nearly bringing himself to tears while pondering why such a figure had been disrespectfully lost to history. "The African American canon has a vacancy," he says of Reeves. "There's no one like him anywhere."

It is that vacancy that Oyelowo has now filled. The actor — who hoisted himself into the upper echelons of major Hollywood talent with his galvanizing portrait of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in 2014's "Selma" — was unable to talk about the Reeves series because of the actors strike. But before the strike, he said this to Entertainment Weekly: "When you contextualize that life with these seminal moments in American history of slavery, Reconstruction, going into Jim Crow, and to have that level of success and notoriety as a lawman is just extraordinary."

Oyelowo is joined in the series by, among others, Dennis Quaid, Barry Pepper, Shea Whigham, Donald Sutherland and Lauren E. Banks, a Howard University graduate who plays Reeves's wife, Jennie.

Because such imagery is so rare in the western screen genre, it will seem jarring for many watching a Black lawman manhandling White criminals (while White townsfolk watch) and bringing those criminals to justice. Reeves had no option but to watch his back at all times.

O ne of the flaws of retelling American history – especially when it comes to Black heroic figures – is that it is not mentioned enough that they often operated under death threats.

From Frederick Douglass to Reeves, from Rosa Parks to Medgar Evers and King — their journeys were rife with worry and threats of constant harm. A prominent aspect of "Lawmen: Bass Reeves" is how devoted he is to family life, keeping his wife and children safe ing Black man born in Illinois, began dreaming of getting land in South Dakota. He took advantage of a homesteading lottery and became a farmer. But eventually he turned to filmmaking, becoming America's first major Black director. Micheaux, who died in 1951, also was forgotten, only to be rediscovered in the 1970s.

The myth of the screen cowboy had received one of its earliest boosts with the 1915 opening of "The Birth of a Nation," D.W. Griffith's racist "epic" in which White men on horseback seek to avenge the Black gains made during Reconstruction. That film — an orgy of violence perpetrated by stereotyped Blacks against White damsels in distress — was so popular it was treated to a special screening at Woodrow Wilson's White House.

The movie, with its colossal success, would haunt the cinematic aspirations of Blacks for decades. It would propel Micheaux to make films — "Within Our Gates," "The Exile" and "The Homesteader" among his most popular — that he hoped would show Black cinema's growth and counter the damage Griffith's picture had done.

By the 1940s, the cowboy myth was in full and roaring form throughout America. Cowboy pictures helped sustain the financial success of Hollywood, populated with legendary performers: Randolph Scott, John Wayne, Tex Ritter, Rory Calhoun, Alan Ladd and Gary Cooper. They shot the bad guys. They elevated White women to angelic dimensions. They defeated Indigenous tribes.

It was one-sided history. The visionary writer James Baldwin wrote a lot about cinema. "It comes as a great shock to see Gary Cooper killing off the Indians, and although you are rooting for Gary Cooper, [you realize] that the Indians are you," he wrote.

Hollywood is trying to take corrective measures in addressing its past, which is a long-overdue and noble thing to do. But we are in an era of book banning and rampant misinformation about Black history, even about the slavery world that Reeves escaped from — and made a decision to bring justice to a world that had tortured him.

It is a good thing that Reeves is kicking up dust again.

Wil Haygood, a former Washington Post reporter and now a visiting scholar at Miami University (Ohio), is the author of "Colorization: One Hundred Years of Black Films in a White World."

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David Oyelowo, top right, plays the title role in "Lawmen: Bass Reeves," a TV show based on a real-life U.S. deputy marshal from the 19th century. Lauren E. Banks, top left, plays his wife, Jennie Reeves, and Forrest Goodluck, above, portrays Billy Crow.



**CRITIC'S NOTEBOOK** 

## AMERICAN HISTORY HAUNTS ED RUSCHA'S ART

BY PHILIP Kennicott IN NEW YORK

Flag" is one of the few works Museum of Modern Art retrospective

"Ed Ruscha/Now Then." many others in the 65-year arc of slowly then all at once. Ruscha's career covered in this essen-Church's work is anguished, and may tising.

The work comes late in the exhibition, providing a postscript to the United States pavilion, the new enshow as powerful as the prelude semble was called "The Course of offered by another work, Ruscha's Empire," an explicit reference to the 2003 "Charles Atlas Landscape," at Hudson River School series (docuthe entrance. That work is painted on menting the rise and decay of an a curiously shaped canvas, which imagined empire) by Thomas Cole. seems to bulge at the center, under the pressure of the precisely ren-scape and a self-conscious sense that dered cross of pipes pushing out to time is passing with epochal consethe margins, like the framework of a quences all come together in many of construction scaffolding.

old artist, abetted by his reticence to of the back of the building, with the elaborate or explain his work, is that same intensity as the wind whipping he straddles the pop and conceptual the flag in the 2017 painting, but in

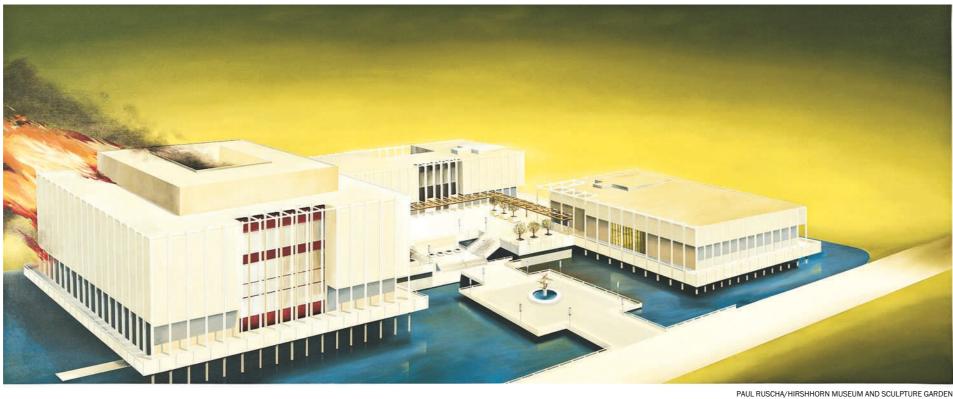
n 2017, after the election of worlds, fusing them with enigmatic Donald Trump, Ed Ruscha mash-ups of language and represenpainted an American flag tation that often spark a dizzying against a dark sky, tattered and sense of intellectual vertigo. All that torn by a menacing wind. "Our is probably true. But I found it more interesting to think of Ruscha as a that has disappointed audiences and classic painter of history and landcritics at the massive, and must-see, scape who is marooned in a world in which there is little appetite for that kind of work. Pretend he is a Hudson "Sometimes a cheesy metaphor is River School painter accidentally just a cheesy metaphor," wrote one sent by time machine to Los Angeles critic, a sentiment that is echoed on in the 1950s to watch the zenith and social media. But "Our Flag," like so decline of American power, first

The Hudson River School analogy tial show, directly references a histor- seems forced, perhaps, but there is ical precedent, Frederic Edwin ample evidence within Ruscha's Church's 1861 "Our Banner in the work that he knows their work. His Sky." That painting, in which a cloudy 2017 tattered flag was preceded by sunrise (or sunset) creates the illu- 1987's "Mother's Boys," which shows sion of a tattered American flag, was the flag in better condition, against a made only weeks after the Confeder- blue sky, but flowing in the same ate attack on Fort Sumter and it, too, direction and occupying space just was painted at a moment of grave like the one depicted by Church (even political peril and civil disunion. the angle of the flagpole is the same). When Ruscha was invited to repre-

well qualify as a cheesy metaphor. sent his country at the 2005 Venice But Ruscha's invocation of it is as Biennale, he turned back to an earlier canny and knowing as his earlier series of large, black-and-white arpop-conceptual borrowings of sig- chitectural paintings known as the nage, comic books, logos and adver- "Blue Collar" paintings, recasting them in color with subtle but telling variations. Installed together in the Architecture, apocalypse, land-Ruscha's most compelling works, A cross, a sense of pressure and just as they do in the best of the containment, and the last remains of Hudson River School. The combinaa sunset as the background: This is tion of these themes and elements is overdetermined symbolism, perhaps often uncanny, as in his 1965-1968 referencing Christianity, empire, a "Los Angeles County Museum of Art false sense of security, flexing mus- on Fire," in which a pristine rendercles and, obviously, the worst foreign ing of the museum floats disconnectpolicy decision (to attack Iraq) in ed from the world (perhaps like high generations of bad American leader- art in a large, capitalist, multicultural society) in a putrid yellow back-The standard view of the 85-year- ground. Flames and smoke surge out

> FROM TOP: "Our Flag" (2017). "Standard Station, Ten-Cent Western Being Torn in Half" (1964). "Los Angeles County Museum of Art on Fire" (1965-1968). These works by Ed Ruscha evoke images of American empire.

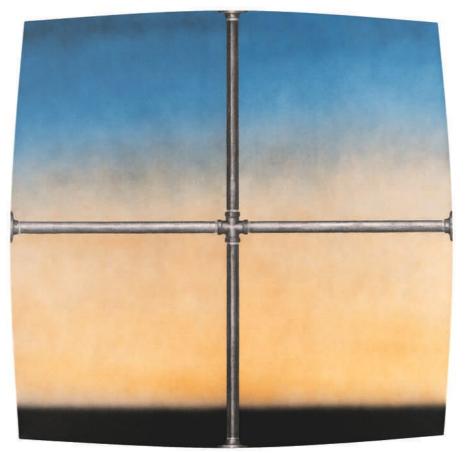








DENIS DOORLY/MUSEUM OF MODERN ART/AGNES GUND/LOUIS AND BESSIE ADLER FOUNDATION



(2003). "Bliss Bucket" (2014). These paintings are among more than 200 works by the 85-year-old American artist on display in a retrospective at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. Ruscha can be thought of as a classic painter of history and landscape marooned in a world in which there is now little appetite for that kind of work.

FROM TOP: "Oof" (1962). "Jumbo" (1986). "Charles Atlas Landscape"

the foreground the museum floats in birds would peck at his painted a pool of water showing nary a trace grapes. The story goes on: In a comof disturbance. The effect of this combination, a

mash-up of urgency and complacency - imperturbable emergency? - isdreamlike and a bit maddening, per- work. haps like Cassandra shouting her warning to the gullible Trojans. It marks a recurring gesture by the artist, to combine elements into paradoxes that sizzle with possible meanings. Perhaps the trompe l'oeil addition of a half-torn, popular mag- logical center of mass illusionism. A azine to the classic rendering of a gas station in Ruscha's 1964 "Standard Station, Ten-Cent Western Being it, and very often that seems to be Torn in Half" is a surreal twist, or a exactly what Ruscha is doing. We chance to prove his graphic skills. Yet often see the famous Hollywood sign this is not just any magazine, but a gainst an ambiguous sky - is it popular dime-store western rag, so sunrise or sunset? – and sometimes that we get a perfection juxtaposition it is seen from the front, sometimes of two ideas: power and majesty from the back. It is a growing menoccupying most of the space, then fiction and lies besmirching or stain- both. ing it in the far upper-right-hand corner.

Framing Ruscha as a history or landscape painter is inadequate to cover the full and thrilling scope of turns out, even as you sincerely hope his creative life. He is obviously deep- the story outlasts you. A long, horily engaged with a particular kind of zontal rendering of a highway guarduncanny common to language and rail in a 2021 painting is both a representation, which is the arbi- landscape in its format and subject trary nature of how signs and words and a metaphor for democracy, if you represent the world. Stare at any are inclined to read Ruscha as a word – "Boss," "Hotel," "Oof," "Annie" – long enough and the signifier begins to untether from the signified. And that can be frightening, inciting In his 2014 work "Bliss Bucket," a in the brain visions of anarchy, glimpses of utterly arbitrary tools, language especially, we have for making sense of the world.

But if you can harness that dreamlike state and direct it at the big music is probably F major, and the concepts in life, things like religion, politics and the state, you may find many of those basic concepts arbitrary to the point of anarchy. Unsurprisingly, Ruscha often deploys his and abandoned, is the alpha and most painterly rhetoric when he is omega of life, the bliss of creation or debunking illusionism. In his 1965 the bucket we kick. We can't know for "Angry Because It's Plaster, Not sure, which is unnerving, but that's Milk," a bird opens its beak to take life. It all feels a bit like living in a what appears to be a tiny glass of country that is overstretched and milk, which we assume has to be fake, overconfident, endlessly productive or plaster, a reference perhaps to the and recklessly profligate, surroundplastering over of things to hide serious deficiencies or rifts.

The painting is a reference to a famous painter, the ancient Greek Zeuxis, who was said (by Pliny the Ed Ruscha/Now Then Through Jan. 13 Elder) to have been so masterly at at the Museum of Modern Art in New representing the world that real York. moma.org.

one note represented, an F, is the tonic, which is the beginning and

turbable emergency.



PAUL RUSCHA/ED RUSCHA



ending of most music in F major. So, on the side of a highway, barren ed by still waters but on fire everywhere, constantly in a state of imper-

history painter manqué. And you will never be quite sure just how much to read into his work. mattress with rumpled sheets lies discarded by the side of a road, with a musical stave depicted on an angle, like the dream of whomever slept, or made love, there. The key of the

er work, often tempered by a paradox that keeps old people tethered to the world: You want to know how this all

bit of deception. Los Angeles, where Ruscha made his career, is home to Hollywood, an inexhaustible American industry and the leading technosmart painter, living in that world, would both represent it and unmask ace, or a passing age? Perhaps it is

petition with the painter Parrhasius. Zeuxis was himself deceived when he tried to pull back the painted curtain that appeared to cover his rival's

So, there is always another level to

illusionism, another more masterly

Darkness creeps into Ruscha's lat-

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## **MUSIC**



The Silkroad Ensemble on Sunday launches its "American Railroad: A Musical Journey of Reclamation" tour, which seeks to tell the stories of immigrant laborers who built the transcontinental railroad.

n Friday, Silkroad Ensemble released "Phoenix Rising," a four-song EP recorded live at Seiji Ozawa Hall at Tanglewood in Lenox, Mass. The release offers not only an abridged document of the group's 2022 tour of the same name, but also a proper reintroduction of Silkroad under its new artistic director, Rhiannon Giddens. And on Sunday, Silkroad embarks on the next phase of its biggest project to date, launching its "American Railroad: A Musical Journey of Reclamation" tour with a concert at George Mason University. Giddens, 46, is a celebrated banjoist, fiddle player and vocalist; a two-time Grammy winner; a MacArthur Fellow; and a founding member of groups including the Carolina Chocolate Drops, Gaelwynd and Our Native Daughters. In 2020, she was named the successor to Silkroad's founding director, cellist Yo-Yo Ma, who stepped down in 2017. She's a far different musician from Ma – steeped in country, blues and a spectrum of American folk traditions. And she's as prolific a composer as a performer: Her opera "Omar," about a West African Islamic scholar sold into slavery in South Carolina) runs Sunday through Nov. 21 at San Francisco Opera. But she shares Ma's vision of Silkroad as a model for cultural collaboration. "There is a communal energy that goes along with communal music and dance that we have totally, almost completely sucked out of our culture," she says by phone from a hotel in New York City, where she was accepting her Pulitzer Prize for "Omar." These things take time, but Giddens's musical impact is immediately detectable on "Phoenix Rising," which opens with the North Carolina native's own arrangement of the Appalachian folk song "O, Death," here transformed into a restless invocation that unfolds atop a tangle of tablas, fiddles and flutes. Evident in this unusual mix of instruments is the signature sound of Silkroad – a globally sourced and resolutely collaborative ensemble, dedicated to weaving the threads of various canons into new musical possibilities. The "Phoenix" EP, for instance, includes two new commissions: one from Japanese flutist and percussionist Kaoru Watanabe's "Ho-Oh," and a new arrangement of Rabindranath Tagore's "Ekla Cholo Re" by tabla player Sandeep Das - works that should sound worlds apart, but don't. The EP closes with a transformed arrangement of Peter Gabriel's 1980 anti-apartheid anthem "Biko" by Colin Jacobsen (of the Knights and Brooklyn Rider). Gabriel's original achieved an authoritative distance through its synthesized bagpipes, looping rhythmic throb and bookended samples of South African protest songs ("Ngomhla sibuyayo" and "Senzeni Na"). Silkroad's take makes every texture tangible and immediate, the voices of Giddens and violinist Mazz Swift trading off within a swirl of textures - the pluck of Wu Man's pipa, the grain of Kojiro Umezaki's shakuhachi flute, the timbral chorus of Haruka Fujii's marimba, caxixi and djembe. The song expands beyond the prison cell of Steve Biko into a broader call for justice, and its everything-all-at-once vibe comes off less like flimsy fusion than a fleeting capture of global consensus. By phone from her home in Northern California, Fujii, 48, describes her experience performing with Silkroad as a "life-changing" contrast to the more traditional chamber ensembles of the classical world. "What music is for me has become a completely different shape," she says of her 13-year tenure with

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the group. "It used to be something I wanted to express about myself or my appreciation of the music. With Silkroad, music has become a medium for me to be connected to people. It's been a complete shift."

It was in this spirit of crisscrossing connectivity that Giddens found the inspiration for "American

# moves ahead at full steam

Rhiannon Giddens puts personal stamp on eclectic ensemble with a new EP and a project celebrating immigrant laborers

### **BY MICHAEL ANDOR BRODEUR**



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The tour is a formal introduction for the ensemble's artistic director, Rhiannon Giddens, who took the reins from its founding director, cellist Yo-Yo Ma.

Railroad," a multiyear initiative that seeks to tell the stories of the immigrant laborers who constructed the transcontinental railroad - Indigenous and Black Americans and immigrants from Ireland, China, Japan and elsewhere. In painting "a more accurate picture of the global diasporic origin of the American Empire," as the project website puts it, Giddens is also hoping to reveal why American music sounds the way it does, and give credit where credit's due.

"The economic powerhouse that America became after the transcontinental was connected, it's all on the back of the people who built it, the land it went through, the folks whose cultures were forever altered by this economic engine," Giddens says. "What we're trying to do is to remind people that not all progress is good — things are nuanced, things are ambiguous. Let's acknowledge how it was built."

In addition to the tour and a forthcoming album, "American Railroad" will include site-specific visual installations, residencies at universities, a documentary series, a children's book and curricular materials for use by educators and the public. Over the past three years, participating Silkroad musicians have been gathering research and making visits to primary sites in the construction of the railroad: New York City, San Francisco, Standing Rock Reservation in the Dakotas. These visits culminated in a series of Train Station Trios, open musical workshops of ensembles assembled from various Silkroad members and local scholars

"I had a couple of really strong notions and ideas and directions that I thought we should go in," Giddens says of the project's development. "But ultimately this is an ensemble, and it's really all about the discovery of each individual musician and how they connect."

The tour will include three new commissioned works by pipa player Wu Man, jazz artist Cécile McLorin Salvant and Native musician Suzanne Kite, as well as new arrangements by Fujii, Giddens and fellow Silkroad member Maeve Gilchrist. Fujii's piece "Tamping Song" — is partially based on the early 20th-century "hammer songs" sung by railroad workers in Japan and is Fujii's tribute to the large number of Japanese immigrants who worked the lines, especially following the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882. Giddens offers an interpretation of another hammer song, "Swannanoa Tunnel," its tune trailing through the show, tangled up in bluegrass and folk, but inextricably linked to Black railroad workers from her home state of North Carolina.

The idea is to tell the story of one journey by way of another, to sharpen multiple histories by blurring the lines between them, and to construct a new model of exchange that, like the railroad, stands a chance of bringing people together. Just be prepared - the night will probably end, as Giddens prefers, with some sort of singalong.

"You don't have to just be the audience," she says. "You can also be the creators. You can be the artists, too. It has to start with us playing a tune, right?"

American Railroad: A Musical Journey of Reclamation, featuring the Silkroad Ensemble with Rhiannon Giddens, is at George Mason University on Nov. 5 at 7 p.m. cfa.calendar.gmu.edu.

# *After four years of sobriety, mom wants to reconnect with daughter*

Ask Amy AMY DICKINSON **Dear Amy:** Four years ago, my daughter and son-in-law cut off all contact with me.

I am a recovering alcoholic, but I relapsed and moved in with my sister. She and I got

into a fight, so I moved out, but I didn't have anywhere to go so I asked my daughter if I could stay with her and her husband until I found a place.

They let me stay with them but were angry about it. After two weeks with them, I moved back in with my sister, which was a mistake. To make a long story short, I started drinking again and tried to kill myself. I went to a behavioral health center and got help.

Now I am doing great, but they still won't talk to me. I have been sending cards to them for birthdays and Christmas. I don't know what else to do. My daughter is my only child.

I have been sober for four years now, and I go to AA meetings. Your advice?

- Sober Mother

**Sober:** You have been through a lot, and your family members have also been pulled through the wringer. You are participating in your continued recovery by attending AA meetings (good for you!), so presumably you are familiar with the ninth "step" in this famous 12-step program.

This has to do with making amends to people you and your addiction have harmed. Have you made sincere amends to the people in your life? If not, you should do so now, through a genuine inventory, detailing specific episodes you now regret, and asking these family members to tell you whatever is on their hearts, and hopefully to embark on their own path toward forgiveness. Your sponsor or other members of your AA fellowship might offer guidance and support with this process.

You might also suggest that your family members join an Al-Anon group to try to come to terms with your drinking and its extreme consequences. After making these efforts, you should then continue to work on rebuilding your life and embrace your own willingness to forgive — both them and yourself.

**Dear Amy:** I am wondering whether I am being too sensitive. My mother and sister passed away a year ago. Both had terminal cancer and suffered enormously prior to passing away.

Nice folks have expressed their "condolences." For some reason, I am not comfortable with this term (although I appreciate it). I would prefer that they instead tell me that they are sorry that this has happened, or say nothing and just give me a soft look of understanding.

Somehow the word "condolences" sounds too pat — too overused — as if folks want to get this over with as soon as possible. I realize that most folks are not comfortable expressing their responses to one's sorrows — they feel helpless — so I may be expecting too much. What do you think?

- Still Grieving

**Grieving:** The word "condolence" may sound too formal to you, but remember that unlike many other expressions, such as "I'm sorry," or "that's terrible," the word "condolence" is used only in response to a death. Perhaps it sounds insincere to you because you never hear it used otherwise, and then — after a death, you hear it used in the same context, multiple times.

But I think you are expecting too much. Not everyone can manage to communicate through "a soft look of understanding," and for many grieving people, silence leaves them more bereft. Thoughtful people know they should try to say something to a grieving person, and yet the words don't always come easily.

My advice to you is to treat others the way you should make sure to treat yourself during this very challenging period in your life: with a spirit of gentle loving kindness. This is hard to do when you are sad and suffering, but harshly judging others' expressions won't help you.

**Dear Amy:** I cringed reading your cold and heartless response to "Conflicted Heart." You victim-blamed and ruthlessly shamed this poor woman.

Yes, she and her daughter are/were in harm's way because of her boyfriend. You aren't wrong in your analysis there. Look, it's obvious that the best thing is to cut all contact with this guy to preserve this family's physical and mental well-being. However, there are so many other ways to say that. Abuse is never the victim's fault.

- Disappointed by Your Cruelty

**Disappointed:** Abuse is not the victim's fault! But avoiding future abuse is a parent's responsibility.

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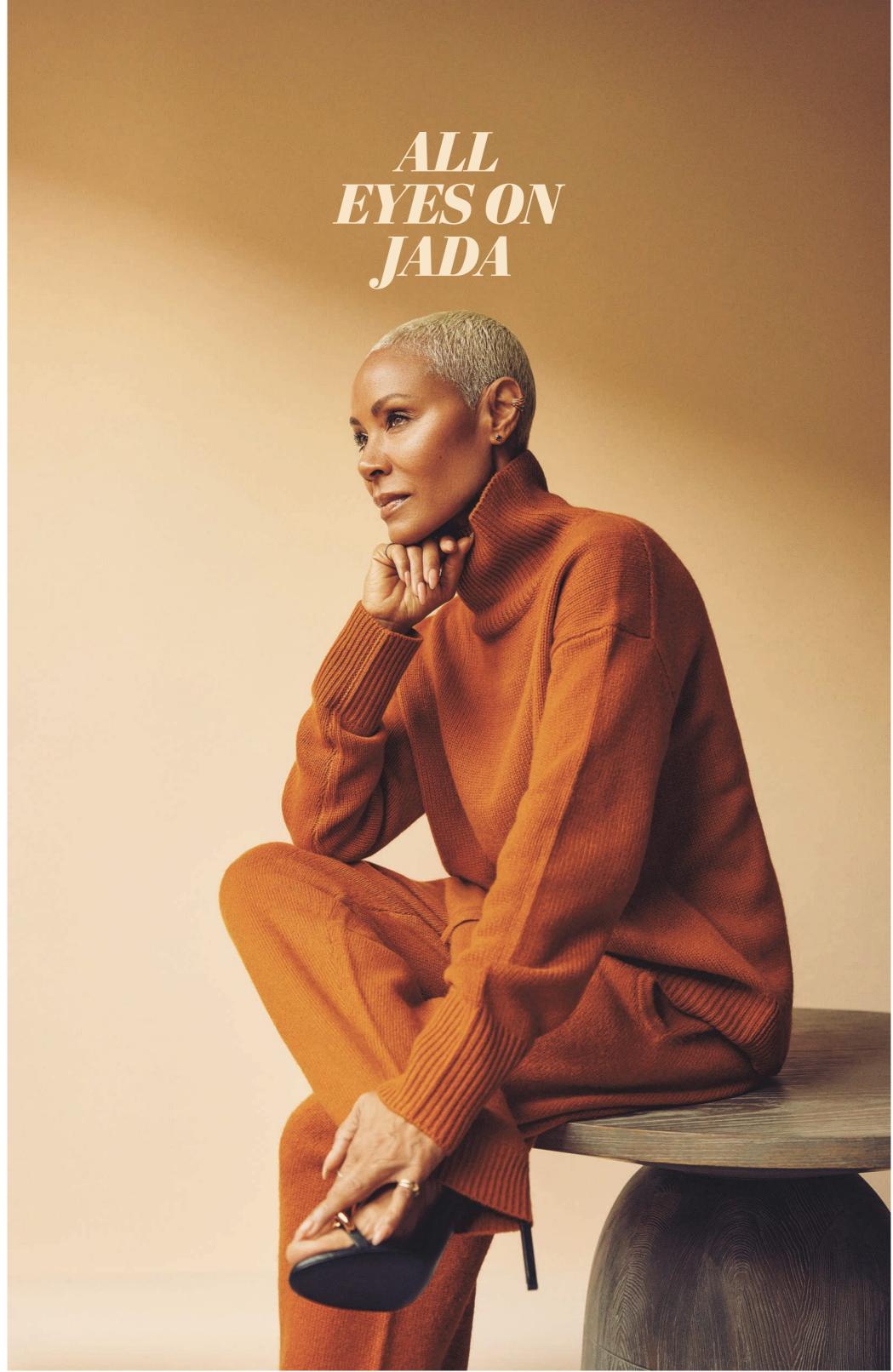
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The book is over 400 pages of candid reflections on self-judgment, unconditional love and identity. Still, those answers have led to even more questions. Chief among them: Who is Jada Pinkett Smith? But also, like, how? How is she holding on to whoever that woman is? How is she the eye of this storm? "That's the whole point, you just really have to

"That's the whole point, you just really have to be centered in your own sphere because what's happening with everyone else ..." said Pinkett Smith before taking one of many considered pauses in our conversation, careful to not appear cavalier. "We're all our own universes. So you just got to make sure you're in alignment."

The headlines, sit-downs and subsequent blowback she's received for cherry-picked "revelations" in the book, most specifically that she Jada Pinkett Smith is rising above the hate and shrugging off the storm as she promotes her memoir, 'Worthy'

**by Helena Andrews-Dyer** 

and Will Smith have been separated since 2016, have created a cottage industry of Pinkett Smith pile-on. "We just lived through Jada's memoir rollout, and I'm tired," said Sam Sanders on his pop culture podcast "Into It." "Somebody tell Jada Pinkett Smith to leave us alone," said comedian and actor Ryan Davis in a TikTok rant that has been viewed 4.1 million times so far.

Talk show host Sherri Shepherd, rapper Rick Ross, culture critic Jemele Hill and ESPN's Stephen A. Smith have all weighed in. Even "Saturday Night Live" spoofed her. "Sorry if I seem a little tired. I've been on 'The Today Show' 14 times in three days," joked SNL's Ego Nwodim as a platinum-haired Pinkett Smith.

First, let's get one thing out of the way. Jada Pinkett Smith is doing just fine. Actually she's better than fine. The 52-year-old is good good. Her hazel eyes are sharp. The skin is skinning. The woman is glowing.

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Even her clothes are telling the same story. At the book's Baltimore tour stop, Pinkett Smith wore a luxe neutral sweater set with sneakers, embodying the word "cozy" in its most Beyoncéfied definition ("comfortable in my skin"). In person the next afternoon, cocooned in a massive charcoal coat over another sable knit set, the actress looks like what she's found on the other side of the storm.

Pinkett Smith's tone is telling, signifying with a shift in octave the *weight* of what's coming out of her mouth to whoever is sitting across from her. Is she gift-wrapping her words in a soft alto? Welcome the guru — although she is loath to call herself that. This is when phrases like "the Great Supreme," "shadow," "the exile lands" and "centering" are sprinkled in the conversation.

But the Bal-more accent Hollywood told her to ditch three decades ago still comes out to play. Then she's keeping it "all the way real." Her neck will get involved.

Then there's her laugh. High-pitched and unbound, bolting from her throat and leaping to the ceiling whenever something is really funny because it's true. And it escapes when I ask, "We don't *really* know you, do we?"

Here's a list of things we "know" about Jada Pinkett Smith: She has been married to Will Smith, one of the most famous actors alive, for almost 26 years. Their relationship is *different*. Their three children seem free, well-adjusted. Eventually she started her own wildly successful talk show, "Red Table Talk" on Facebook. The famous couple did an episode together, scratching the surface of a romantic "entanglement" Pinkett Smith had, that did not go over well. Cracks in the Will and Jada carapace became more pronounced.

Then when her husband decided to slap Chris Rock at the 2022 Oscars after the comedian told a joke about Pinkett Smith, she was blamed for the debacle despite her long-held public silence. And now after writing her own story in "Worthy," divulging many details about herself but little actual news about other people, the consensus is that Pinkett Smith is a



manic toxic nightmare who should shut up and sit down.

"Worthy" begins with Pinkett Smith at the top of a steep driveway and the bottom of her own well. In those introductory pages, she writes of her first foray into ayahuasca, the plant-based psychedelic she credits with saving her life: "At this point, my level of desperation was so all consuming, all I could think was: What do I have to lose? If it killed me — great, mission accomplished. If not, thank God."

Turns out she'd been struggling with depression — and later suicidal thoughts — since her early 20s. She'd been on Prozac at one point. Then Will Smith happened and love and marriage and family turned down the alarm bells for a time.

"I'd been a high-functioning depressive for so long," she writes. But an infamous 40th birthday celebration — a weekend-long extravaganza with her closest friends and family revealed what a mental fog Pinkett Smith had been under. Hopelessness set in, and the actress fell apart. "Worthy" is the story of how she put herself back together from the fatherless child to the talented teenager selling dope on the side to the young actress with a chip on her shoulder to the wife and mother who didn't think she deserved her so-called perfect life.

It's hard to square that woman on the throes of her second mental breakdown with who she is now. Guru or gadfly? Loved or hated? Pinkett Smith, cradling a cup of hot tea in both hands, possesses the kind of calm that is both admirable and enraging. Because how can anyone be this above it all? Who can survive that? Who is she?

"Well, I don't think it's a, "Who is that?" That's the thing," said Pinkett Smith, laughing at her own inscrutability. "Because the 'who is that' is constantly growing. Every day I learn something new about myself."

Such as?

"Really just how much work that I've done to be able to walk this walk that I'm walking right now — and really feel great," she said. "When seemingly the world adored me, I was miserable. Now, seemingly, there's so much hate out there and I'm like so joyful. I wake up every morning so happy to be me, so happy to be alive," said Pinkett Smith.

And it's there, the sentiment that seems to grate against the collective understanding of who Pinkett Smith *should* be. Her happiness.

Because what is everyone so mad about, really? Her admission that she and Will have been living separate lives for seven years? On a "Red Table Talk" in 2018, the couple said they don't call themselves married, instead choosing "life partners." Her writing about Tupac, her best friend starting in high school? She doesn't get to him until Page 82. Or is it common-sense advice about relationships and investing in yourself like this:

"People don't understand that love levels up, especially if you're planning on being with someone forever. Love is not meant to be stagnant. So that means that we have to level up," said Pinkett Smith. "We go into relationships a lot of times to substitute for the things we don't want to give ourselves or don't know how. Once I really was willing to learn to give

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"That's why I can sit in some smoke. Because I've been in places and in situations where you think, 'Oh, this smoke right here, this could be life or death.' People want attention. People are angry about what's going on in their own lives. ... Most of it's not real."

Jada Pinkett Smith



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From left, siblings Trey Smith, Willow Smith and Jaden Smith join Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith at the L.A. premiere of "Emancipation" last November. myself that grand love, only then could I then share that love with Will."

Oh the horror!

The mood following Pinkett Smith's talk at Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore could be best described as exuberantly thoughtful. If fans weren't rushing to the stage to snap photos of the Smith family (all three kids; her mother, Adrienne Banfield-Norris; and Will showed up) then they were having head-nodding discussions about what just happened. In a minutes-long speech, Will told Jada — and the world — that he had her back. "I really wanted to come out and just be here and hold it down for you, the way you have held it down for me," Smith said.

Was the woman who had been branded with a scarlet letter as scary as they'd been led to believe?

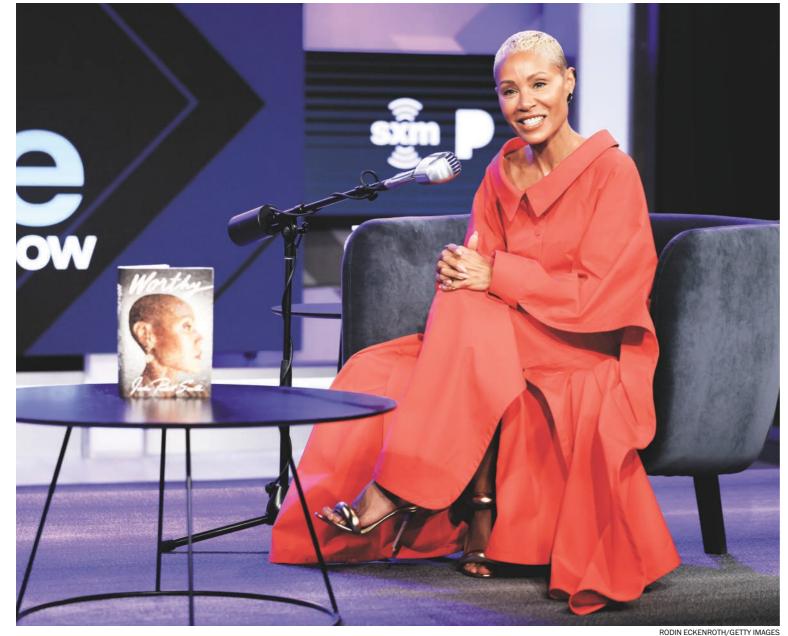
"It's easy to make her a villain," explained Shanelle Greene, who was standing outside confabbing with friends. "I think in a world where people are committed to hating Black women for absolutely no reason it was nice to hear her side of the story. She's a Black woman in America. She's a scapegoat. She often gets blamed for things that she hasn't given a voice to."

Greene and her group, who call themselves the Queens Circle, were in search of cocktails to further debate what they heard inside.

"I don't relate to her per se," said another friend. "But I've been on a journey myself, and when you're on a journey people just don't understand you."

The group went on to dissect the finer points of being "bulletproof" vs. "impenetrable" and whether Pinkett Smith, seemingly so above the criticisms hurled at her, could still remain open and receptive while protecting her peace. "But you don't want to have that change the perception of self," added another friend.

"That's the part right there," added Pinkett Smith — using one of her many meme'd catchphrases — when I recount the Queens Circle's back-and-forth. "The most magical healing







CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Jada Pinkett Smith at SiriusXM studios in Los Angeles. Pinkett Smith as Lena James in "A Different World." The actress and Hoda Kotb walk around the neighborhood in Baltimore where Pinkett Smith grew up.

an eye or two at that. Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith are not a normal couple. But read it. They are though. Resentment, avoidance, poor communication, discordant values, taking one another for granted, simmering rage, reconciliation in the face of a crisis — it's all there.

Which, of course, prompts the \$64,000 question: *So are you together?* 

"I'm always careful with that because we are together in the way that makes us happy," said Pinkett Smith, who even has a working title for their joint book project: "Don't Try This at Home." It'd be about how to have a "healthy fulfilling happy relationship."

Look — she gets it. How the Smiths choose to define and redefine their relationship is a hot topic.

"To keep it real, look when I realized that the romanticized version of my marriage would never exist, I was mad too. I was p-----," said Pinkett Smith. "I could see how that would p--some people off."

But remember, that's shadow. She wants us all to pour some love on it and give it a different job. Meanwhile Jada Pinkett Smith is going to keep talking. She's going to write, produce and direct (maybe even act if the mood strikes her). And she's bringing "Red Table Talk" back, because she's learned her lesson.

"Now I can really talk. Now we can dive in. We can go deep now. Because I've been able to tell my story in an in-depth way. People have a lot more history and a lot more context. And now we can go just a whole 'nother layer."

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elixir I found is curing self judgment. Then you don't have a weapon within yourself that someone else's judgment can ignite. But it's not about putting up walls like 'This doesn't affect me.' No, I understand, I totally get it. That's just not where I'm at now. You might think that way about me, but I know I'm not that."

What Pinkett Smith is, is vocal. She's a "well-written-upon" woman, to borrow a quote from Clarissa Pinkola Estés, author of the bestseller "Women Who Run With the Wolves" and one of her faves. She is a woman talking too much. A Black woman taking ownership of herself. A woman who loves herself fiercely, perhaps even selfishly. Why are you mad?

So I want to go back to all that "seeming hate" Pinkett Smith underscored at the beginning of our sit-down, but before I can fully form a question the actress already has an answer.

Pinkett Smith has a different term for it — "shadow." It's the sort of voluntary darkness that serves to cloak our understanding of self. (See, sit with her long enough and this is how you start to think.) The shadow archetype was first introduced by psychoanalyst Carl Jung.

"It's a very complicated dynamic. It's a lot there. But it doesn't have anything to with ... anything really," said Pinkett Smith with that high-pitched laugh. "The same people talking mess online, if they saw me in person they'd be the same people wanting a picture, you know what I mean?"

That sounds ego driven. But then she told a story from her personal history, a big reason the blowback isn't knocking her over. This is in the book, too. In 2005, Pinkett Smith and her nu-metal band, Wicked Wisdom, performed on tour with Ozzfest, founded by Sharon Osbourne and her husband, Black Sabbath frontman Ozzy Osbourne. The raging crowds were overwhelmingly White.

"I learned a lot being out there in what we would call the belly of the beast where there's real hate," she said.

During a show in either Kentucky or Kansas - she can't remember which K state - two

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Jada Pinkett Smith

White teenage boys screamed from the back of the crowd just as the music died down: "N----b----." Yeah. Pinkett Smith and band kept it moving. Later, while the band was signing posters in the lobby of a hotel, those same two boys showed up. Pinkett Smith motioned for them to come over. "I signed something for them and they took a picture." That was a lesson in shadow. What's happening now seems sort of quaint in comparison.

"That's why I can sit in some smoke," she said. "Because I've been in places and in situations where you think, 'Oh, this smoke right here, this could be life or death.' People want attention. People are angry about what's going on in their own lives. They are just projecting stuff. Most of it's not real."

"If we're not looking at our traumas, if we're not looking at our hurts, it creates the shadow within us that needs expression. Once we start healing you get more conscious of it and you direct that energy differently. We all have it. I'm not trying to say I'm clean of shadow. I'm just in the practice of giving it a different job," said Pinkett Smith.

Right now Pinkett Smith's job is to tell on herself. But only so much, only the parts that might help. Because there are, in fact, details of her life that she keeps to herself. "I have all the respect for every face of God. I feel for me there's certain practices that speak to me, which I won't talk about," she said. "The thing I don't talk about is religion and politics." Of course because of the criticism —

"Uh-uh. No. Not that at all. I never have. It's just ... that's a very personal thing. And that's it," said Pinkett Smith.

And despite all the so-called revelations in the book, which are all centered on men (Will, Tupac, Chris Rock) most of what she writes about other characters is road already welltrodden.

"As much as people think is in the book there's so much that's not. What people consider to be oversharing for me, it's like, 'Baby I'm scratching the surface,'" said Pinkett Smith.

scratching the surface," said Pinkett Smith. Originally she turned in a 600-page manuscript. There's enough on the cutting-room floor for another book. Or maybe she and Will will even write one together about how they've arrived at this "bru-tiful" (that's beautiful plus brutal, according to Will) juncture.

"And there ain't much in there. Like it's no real tea about Will. I would never. I would never," she said emphatically with a distinct twinge of *Bal-more*. "It's just universal s--- that goes down with partners in general."

If you haven't read "Worthy," you might roll

Tobi Rudoltz MD and David Martin Warsinger PhD were married on September 10, 2023. Tobi's parents are Marc Rudoltz MD and Lisa Hochman MD, now of Pittsfield Massachusetts, and David's parents are Neil F Martin MD and Lisa Warsinger Martin MD, of Potomac, Maryland. David changed his last name officially to his mother's maiden name, Warsinger, for ease of identification in academic endeavors.

The wedding party included David's twin brother Joshua Martin as the Best Man, Tobi's sister Hannah Concannon as the Matron of Honor, and David's sister Rebecca Martin as a bridesmaid. Hannah's husband Nolan Concannon PhD and Joshua's wife Alyssa Langer also participated in the wedding party.

Tobi graduated from MIT and then Rutgers School of Medicine in 2022. She matched at Indiana University Hospital for radiology training to join David. David graduated with BS and MS degrees in Engineering from Cornell University, followed by his PhD at MIT. He did a postdoctoral fellowship at Yale University. He is now on the Engineering faculty at Purdue University, where the Warsinger lab works on desalination and clean water technologies. Tobi and David reside in Indianapolis.







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#### Answers to last week's L.A. Times Sunday puzzle.

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#### BY GEORGIA NICOLS

Happy Birthday | Nov. 5: You are very involved in life. You're someone others turn to because they trust your honest, informed response. You have a balance of realism and idealism. This is a year of change. Expect increased personal freedom, travel, new friends and opportunities. Act fast and trust your intuition.

HOROSCOP

Moon Alert: There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions. The Moon is in Leo.

#### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Advice to parents: This will be a difficult day dealing with your kids; therefore, be patient. Do what you can to avoid meltdowns and hissy fits. After all, you're the adult. Lovers' spats and sports arguments are also likely to occur.

#### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

This is the classic day for domestic friction and arguments, especially with female family members. Remember that anger serves no purpose other than to make everyone miserable. Stay chill.

#### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Because you're a bit impatient, this can be an accident-prone day for you. Your anxious feelings might distract you from concentrating on what you're doing. Avoid arguments at work. Be cool.

#### **CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

Tense financial disagreements might arise related to home, family or social outings and vacations. This tension might affect romantic couples. Don't let this angst ruin your day. Take charge. Be diplomatic.

#### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

The Moon is in your sign at odds with three other planets, which means you will be at odds with others as well. Arguments might suddenly break out. Do your best to be Teflon. Don't get involved.

#### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

This is the kind of day where you might argue with someone about the name of the month – yes, it's ridiculous. Don't try to convince anyone of anything. This will only lead to further conflict.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Don't ruin this day by having an argument with a friend or a member of a group, especially about financial matters. At the end of the day, this really doesn't matter. Therefore, look for ways to be part of the solution, not the problem.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Arguments and tension with partners, bosses and the police will be classic because everyone feels some tension dealing with each other. Steer clear of authority figures. Do not wake the sleeping dragon.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Avoid touchy subjects that are controversial, because these will quickly explode into arguments. Fortunately, relations with bosses and parents are smooth and convivial. Go with what works. Avoid what is prickly.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might be angry at a friend or a member of a group and decide to flounce off in a huff. (Always bring your huff to dubious meetings.) This is just a brief dark cloud on your horizon. Don't get your belly in a rash. Relax.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Don't do battle with authority figures, parents, teachers or the police. It won't be pretty. Why get involved? Why make yourself and others miserable? Give people who might be the source of trouble for you a wide berth. Play it safe.

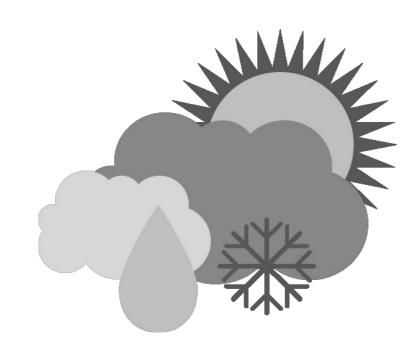
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Avoid touchy subjects. Some people are looking for an excuse to have an argument. They're keen to fight because they're disgruntled or unhappy. Instead, walk the other way. Or run.

### **MOVIE DIRECTORY**

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On Maui, people can enjoy the beaches, middle, and volunteer with places such as the Maui Humane Society, above, or Hua Momona Farms, top right, where Paula Martinez is seen picking arugula.

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THE UPGRADE

### True cultural immersion is just a hop, snip and a jump away

#### BY CHRIS DONG

To submit a travel hack to The Upgrade, visit wapo.st/upgrade.

Sometime over the past few years, I came to a realization: I was getting my hair cut while on the road more often than while close to home.

Let's be clear: It's not necessarily for the quality of the cut. Although some of those barbers, stylists and hairdressers have been more than a few times I've been resigned to wearing a hat for the rest of my trip.

Though the results have varied widely, I still treasure getting a cut when I travel, whether it's across the country or around the world. With just a blade and a pair of scissors, I can expect cultural immersion in its purest form — in about 30 minutes or less. Let me explain.

My thick, jet-black Asian head of hair grows fast — thanks to sion goes awry; my swiftly sprouting hair will disguise a bad cut.

As a travel writer, I need to look respectable while crisscrossing the globe, and what started out as a necessity has become somewhat of a preference.

I've been to barbers in Iceland, Istanbul, Bangkok and Bogotá. I got my hair cut (and bleached) on a cruise ship in the Mediterranean, received the best scalp massage of my life on the outskirts of Luang Prabang, Laos, and was the of dollars and one of the sharpest fades I've ever received later, I'd say those Fijians did a pretty good job.

With each snip and shave, I learn a little bit about each place or get to know the individual working on my hair. Ideally, it's a mix of both. During my first trip to Provincetown, Mass., this summer, my barber shared his perspective on the ever-evolving LG-BTQ+ scene — and his favorite bars to avoid the crowds. tions — and how he himself had escaped to Sweden as a refugee. Oh, and I also got tips on where to find the best shawarma in town.

Even if there's a language barrier — communicating in iPhone photos of previous cuts — or if there's not a chatty vibe, something is so freeing about abdicating control and observing the dayto-day cultural norms of a new place. Getting a haircut can look so different depending on where you are. Jasu knows he's not my only barber, no matter how good his cuts are (and they're good). After all, he experiences the inverse of what I encounter: the occasional traveler who comes into his Santa Monica shop looking for a local to talk to.

There's a transformation that can happen in 30 minutes or less - and I'm not just talking about the haircut.

Chris Dong is a freelance travel writer

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been exceptionally skilled, others have, well, performed a master class in what *not* to do. There have

genetics — and I'll typically make my way to a barber every two to four weeks. That's helpful if a sessole English speaker at a shop in Suva, Fiji, where locals played interpreter with my barber. A couple In Malmö, Sweden, my Afghani barber told me about the city's Iraqi, Syrian and Afghani populaIn Los Angeles, where I've now lived for more than a year, I've finally found a barber I like. Still, and credit card points expert based in Los Angeles. You can follow him on Instagram: @thechrisflyer.

### Your overhead bin tactics may not fly with others. Here are 13 rules to help.

#### BY NATALIE B. COMPTON

When flying, two truths weigh heavy on the traveler's soul. The first: Checking a bag is expensive and annoying. The second: Planes have a finite amount of overhead bin space. Fail to score some of that space, and you're doomed to baggage claim purgatory.

These truths ignite within us a gnawing sense of scarcity. They turn typically levelheaded people who don't mind waiting their turn at, say, Starbucks into the type to elbow their way into the anxious swarm crowding the gate before takeoff. "Space," they chant, like suitcase-rolling zombies. "Spaaaaace."

Okay, maybe it's not that bad. But the limited overhead bin situation can bring out the worst in people. Once you're on board, it can feel like a race to find your seat and stash your stuff. "It's a Tetris game," says flight attendant Sabrina Schaller.

To prepare you for your next round, here are the unofficial rules for navigating the overhead bins.

#### Pack with the plane in mind

Let's start with the most basic rule of all: If you're planning to travel with a carry-on, make sure it's going to fit on the plane. Schaller recommends going on your carrier's website and seeing what measurements it allows. Next, stick to your airline's allotted number of bags, which can depend on your ticket type. and be warned that the industry is getting tougher on personal items. Before you board, consolidate your bags to meet the criteria (usually two per customer). Lastly, don't hold up the boarding process by attempting that consolidation on the plane.

#### Keep your valuables with you

While you're consolidating, ensure that your valuables (jewelry, medications, Tamagotchi) are with you in that "personal item" vs. the bag meant for the bin. This protects you in case you're asked to gate-check, or in



the rare instance that someone walks off with your luggage. "Anything expensive is always in

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my backpack, because I know it goes under the seat with me," Schaller says.

#### Don't be a bin hog

The land of the overhead bin is not yours to claim a la manifest destiny. It's a community space for everyone to share, says Heather Wiese, a Dallas-based etiquette expert. Remember the rules: Overhead compartments are primarily for carry-ons that don't fit under the seat. Everything else is extra and should be stored up top only when everyone has boarded and at least

#### Use a bin near your seat

Make your life easier by putting your bag in the overhead bin above or around your seat. It's not a crisis, but you don't want to fight the flow of traffic to get your bag once the plane lands. Of course, this rule goes out the window if you board and there's no space near you. In that case, Godspeed. You should also wait until others have deplaned in the rows you're backtracking past before going for your unfortunately placed belongings.

#### Don't force a bag that's too big

Even if you sneak a real honker of a bag past the gate agent, you still have to find a place for your contraband once you're on the plane. That could result in: 1. Wrestling your luggage into

the bin. 2. Getting scolded by a flight

attendant. 3. Having to check your toobig bag after all.

4. All of the above.

Going through this process also slows down boarding, which is even worse than the embarrassment. "When the bag is too big, it delays us getting the flight out on time.... That's the whole goal," says Miami-based flight attendant Trey Antwan.

#### Make sure the bin closes before you walk away

Before you take your seat, ask yourself, "Will the bin close over my bag?" Better yet, do a quick check. Maybe you goofed and put your bag in a weird way (or you broke the rules and brought a humongous bag), but this step will help correct the error, so the flight attendant doesn't have to.

#### Don't expect help from a flight attendant

Flight attendants follow the motto: "You pack it, you stack it." It's simply not their job to help you with your bag. Some may be allowed to do so — and inclined to help older passengers or those with disabilities — but they're not required to by airline policy, because it could result in injury. If it's too heavy for you and for them, the bag's getting checked.

#### Ask before moving someone's stuff

Some people handle the stress of travel better than others. Because you never know what'll be the straw that breaks the camel's back, err on the side of caution and keep to yourself. That includes baggage handling. "I have definitely been on flights where fights are broken out because someone has touched someone else's bag, and we have deplaned," says Clarissa Laskey of the travel blog Passports and Parenting. Antwan has also seen conflict erupt from bag-moving, so if you need to do some bin rearranging, give the owner a heads-up or ask a flight attendant for assistance.

#### Don't freak out if you have to check your bag

Sometimes, even when you've been militant about packing your carry-on per the airline's rules, you'll be asked to gatecheck your bag. Although that reality is out of your control, how you react is entirely up to you. Antwan says the typical response from travelers is negative. "They want to argue or they don't believe us. ... People get pretty mad," he says. His response: "I'm not checking your bag because I'm being mean. I'm checking it because it literally won't fit."

#### Save jackets for last

Accoutrements such as jackets and puffy winter coats aren't automatically given space in the overhead bin. You can put them up there as a treat, only if there is room after the rest of the plane has stored their carry-ons. The same goes for your other personal items, such as laptop bags, fanny packs, animal skulls and airport shopping hauls.

#### Offer to help your fellow passengers

Your stuff is stashed, you're buckled up, and you're ready for takeoff. Down the aisle comes someone struggling with a bag. Like flight attendants, you're not required to step in and help. But if you're willing and able, do the struggler a solid and ask whether they'd like a hand. Bonnie Tsai, founder and director of Beyond Etiquette, says not only is this an act of kindness, but it also helps speed up boarding. Just make sure that you're ready to take no for an answer, Wiese adds, and that you don't make a big deal of why you're helping (i.e., saying that they're elderly or appear to be frail, etc.).

#### Don't abuse bin access

Once your bag's up there, consider it gone until the end of the flight (unless you're seated in the aisle). No one wants you climbing over them so you can keep getting items out. We went over this earlier: Have a game plan for what you want handy during your flight, put it in your personal item, or unpack it when you get to your seat.

#### Wait your turn to unload

The plane lands, and an overhead chime pings, signaling you may unbuckle your seat belt. Unless you have a hair-raising short window between connecting flights, stay seated. Resist the Pavlovian response to jump up that second and lunge for the overhead bin. Instead, wait your turn. When's your turn, you ask? It's when the rows in front of you have already exited.



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#### attempted to store those bigger bags first. Then you can stake more square footage.

BY ANDREA SACHS IN WEST MAUI

or visitors headed to Maui, the etiquette lessons begin in the air.

Shortly before an American Airlines flight landed at Kahului Airport, a video appeared on the seat-back screens. In the short film, passengers learned about "kuleana," the Hawaiian word for "responsibility."

"Kuleana is at the heart of our culture," the narrator intoned over images of a group joyfully digging their hands into mucky earth. "And as guests in our home, we ask that you share our kuleana during your stay."

The video is part of the Hawaii Tourism Authority's "Malama Hawaii" campaign. (Malama means to care for, protect and preserve.) To alleviate the pressure of overtourism on its culture and natural resources, the state is asking visitors to give back. This appeal has grown even louder following the August wildfires that devastated Lahaina

The phased reopening of West Maui, which started Oct. 8, has ushered in a new era of tourism. so these instructions may be more important than ever.

We want you to leave the place better than you found it," said Mufi Hannemann, president and chief executive of the Hawaii Lodging and Tourism Association.

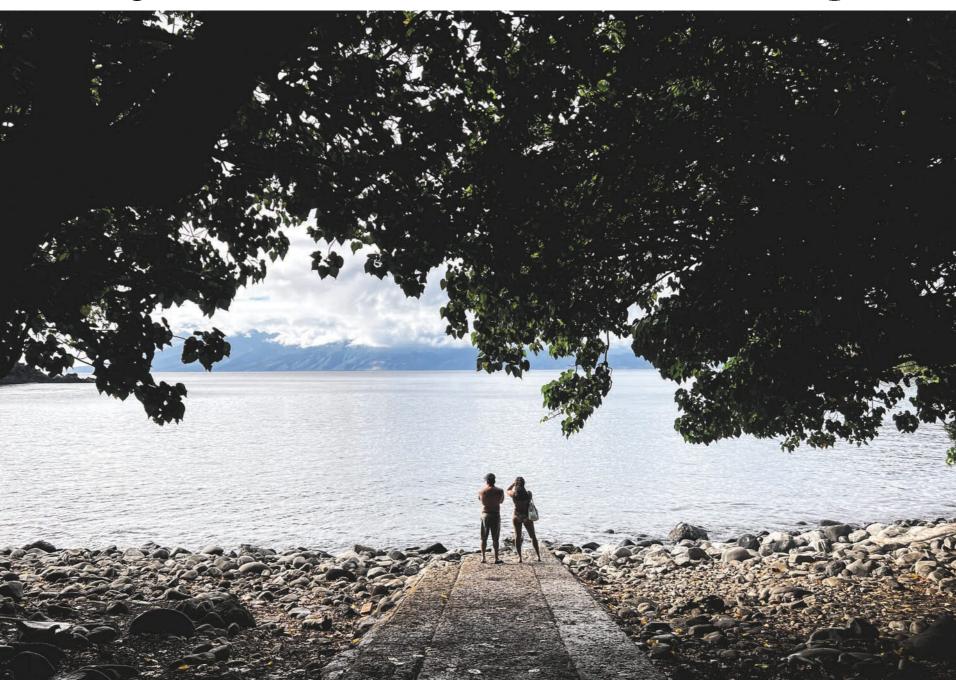
For visitors new to regenerative tourism, Hawaii officials and residents offer tips for traveling "pono," or righteously. And unlike most of the islands' fruits and vegetables, which must remain in the state, you can take these best practices home with you and even carry them on future travels.

#### Be kind and patient

As we learned during the coronavirus pandemic, you don't know what hardships someone may be experiencing. In Maui, this is especially true.

When engaging with locals, be thoughtful and kind. Even a seemingly benign question such as "How are you?" can be loaded. When interacting with hospitality workers, exude empathy and practice patience. Some establishments are still short-staffed or have recently welcomed back islanders who lost loved ones or their homes.

"Please be mindful of what everybody's going through," said Gregg Nelson, general manager of







**CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: People peer out onto Honolua Bay** in Hawaii. A book shows cats available for adoption at the Maui Humane Society. Michael Vierra looks at his house Sept. 26, the first time he's done so since the August wildfires in Lahaina.

the Napili Kai Beach Resort, which reopened Oct. 8. "The staff is ready to welcome people back, but at the same time, they are a little apprehensive and worried about what guests are going to ask them."

Keep exchanges simple with an "Aloha" and a "Mahalo," if you feel comfortable using the Hawaiian language.

#### Immerse yourself in Hawaiian culture

For a deeper understanding of Hawaii's centuries-old culture and traditions, go beyond surfing the buffet at the luau.

"People come here and want to experience the paradise," said Paula Martinez, volunteer coordinator at the Hua Momona Farms, "but it would be more valuable if tourists immersed themselves in more of the culture and really learn about the history of Hawaii."

Though wildfires destroyed Lahaina's historic district, the island is home to many other historical and cultural attractions, such as the Iao Valley State Monument (reservations required for out-ofstate visitors) and the Sugar Museum. In addition to an art gallery, the Maui Arts & Cultural Center hosts some of the island's biggest events, such as the Maui Ukulele Festival, the Hawaii International Film Festival and the Hawaiian Airlines Made in Maui County Festival, which combines two tenets of regenerative tourism -acultural deep dive centered on local products.

To graduate from observer to participant, attend a cultural workshop. Whalers Village in Kaanapali has resumed its free classes in ukulele, coconut-frond weaving and hula dancing. On a recent Friday morning, Ron Mikala Ancheta taught a group of Californians and Canadians how to play "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" on the Hawaiian Kingdom's national instrument.

#### Volunteer in the kitchen or with pets

On Maui, dedicating a few hours of your vacation time to helping others is more critical and appreciated than ever. Once the urgent needs subside, visitors can continue volunteering.

"Tourists who come might do a beach cleanup or they might do a tree planting," said Maui Mayor Richard Bissen. "They can do something that benefits the island.'

volunteer opportunities that match their interests and schedules. Maui Nui Strong and Hungry Heroes Hawaii (HHH) are valuable hubs of information. For instance, Hua Momona Farms seeks help with harvesting and meal prepping.

For guests more keen on working in nature than in the kitchen, Maui Cultural Lands holds volunteer outings every Saturday. Guests help with preservation projects in the Honokowai Valley, an archaeologically and ecologically rich area. Tasks have included clearing rock walls and heiau, an ancient Hawaiian temple, and planting native flora.

"We do 90 minutes of work and have lunch and talk story," said Ekolu Lindsey III, the organiza-

tion's president. "I will walk people around and introduce them to whatever they're interested in."

Maui Humane Society rescued so many animals from Lahaina's burn site that it had to open a second facility. At its main center in Puunene, volunteers can comfort cats recovering from singed whiskers and burned paws. The nonprofit suspended its Beach Buddies program but is still running Dog on Demand, a similar experience. Depending on availability, visitors can take a dog on a day-long adventure. Each pup comes with a doggy backpack filled with supplies and recommendations for canine-friendly beaches and hikes.

Because of airlines' restrictions on transporting animals from Hawaii, the organization is seeking volunteers who can escort a dog or cat to the mainland. Upon arrival, the receiving shelter will oversee the animal's care and adoption, unless you happen to fall in love with your travel companion.

For volunteer opportunities on other islands, check Hawaiian Airlines' Travel Pono (bit.ly/ travel-pono) and the Hawaii Tourism Authority's voluntourism sections (bit.ly/hi-tourism).

#### Protect the ocean environment

As director of sustainable tourism with Trilogy Excursions, Captain Riley Coon has strong opinions about skin care. "Spraying sunscreen is not cool," he said,

referring to the harmful nanoparticles contained in some types of sprays that can hurt the environment. For an eco-friendly alternative, he recommends sun-protective or UPF clothing and a little zinc oxide on the face.

If you can't change your sunscreen preferences, choose a reefsafe variety. Since 2021, Hawaii has banned products containing oxybenzone and octinoxate, which endanger coral.

On the beach and in the water, give marine life a wide berth to avoid stressing the animals and, depending on the species, violating the law. (Hawaii laws protect endangered, threatened and indigenous species, including humpback whales, Hawaiian monk seals, numerous species of

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dolphins and all turtles.) Also, don't use the coral as a bench or step stool.

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Before heading to the beach, pick up a marine debris monitoring collection bag at the PacWhale Eco-Adventures' Ocean Store in Wailuku. The MOC Marine Institute also offers beach cleanup kits with 72-hour notice. Elsewhere in the state, Sustainable Coastlines Hawaii organizes large-scale cleanups and outreach events. The Ocean Conservancy offers a guide for DIY beach missions.

The marine institute rescues, rehabs and releases injured sea turtles. Because of limited access in Lahaina, its staff members have not been able to keep as close an eye on the sea turtles as before the fires. If you notice a turtle in distress, call the hotline at 808-286-2549.

#### Support local businesses

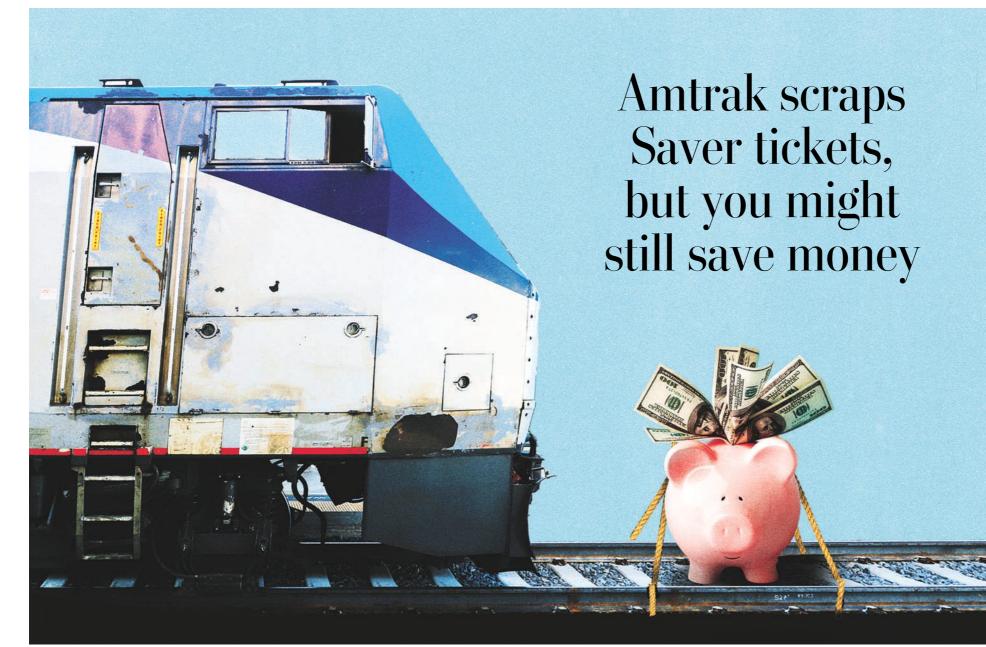
When a bag of potato chips costs \$6, you can't be faulted for pulling out your Costco card for essentials. However, for all the rest - restaurants, souvenirs, activities, lodging, tropical apparel - support local businesses.

"Wearing Hawaiian shirts is okay," Coon said, "just don't buy them at Target."

Maui Nui First created a directory of "Support Local" businesses for dining, shopping, playing and staying (mauinuifirst.com). The Maui Ocean Center and Pacific Whale Foundation, which occupy the same shopping complex in Wailuku, stock locally made and sustainable products, such as bracelets made from recycled ocean plastic, earrings constructed out of cereal boxes and Aloha Collection pouches and totes, a Hawaiian company that donates 5 percent of its profits to conservation organizations.

After the fires, the Napili Farmers Market, which celebrated its 10th anniversary in August, moved to the Sugar Train parking lot and is providing free produce to displaced residents. However, you can still swing by to see what's in season and donate. The Upcountry Farmers Market is still going strong after more than 40 years.

Maui visitors can easily find Andy Baltonado, left, a farmer, shakes hands with Tai Doan at a farmers market in Kahana. Doan lost his home in the fires.



**BY HEIDI PÉREZ-MORENO** 

Amtrak has overhauled its pricing system by getting rid of its cheapest tier of tickets, but the company says investments in pricing technology will ultimately help it offer more low-cost fares to customers.

In changes the rail company announced in October, Amtrak said it was eliminating the Saver fare category to prioritize flexibility on cancellation and refund options.

The new system, which went into effect Oct. 25, consolidates the previous three-tier system of Flexible, Value and Saver fares into just Flex and Value options.

• Flex tickets allow customers to get full refunds and change their fares at no extra cost. • Value tickets are eligible for a

75 percent refund on cancellations, but customers will not be able to make changes. That's the trade-off for a lower price.

The new Value system is loosely based on an older version of the Saver fare that gave customers a voucher for a partial refund from their original fare if they canceled, or charged a 25 percent fee to change the reservation. Three years ago, Amtrak began selling its popular Saver tickets as nonrefundable, which eliminated the option for customers to rebook if plans changed.

The changes to fare structures apply to coach and Acela business class, Amtrak said, because Acela first-class tickets and non-Acela

business-class tickets already have fully refundable and flexible options.

"Everything we do at Amtrak revolves around improving our customer experience," said Eliot Hamlisch, executive vice president at Amtrak. "Streamlining our fare options will make it easier for customers to find flexible tickets that work for them, all at much lower price points."

Amtrak is a taxpayer-funded organization that receives subsidies from state and federal governments. Its pricing models are controlled by states, so it varies across the company's three operating lines: the Northeast Corridor, state-supported routes and long-distance routes.

Amtrak has been able to aug-

ment lower fares and upgraded services due in large part to a budget increase from the Biden administration's bipartisan infrastructure deal, which allocated \$66 billion in federal funds to address maintenance backlogs and modernize trains on the Northeast Corridor. That represents the largest investment in Amtrak's rail service since its creation in 1971, according to White House officials.

Amtrak has been working with states to expand the number of pricing models they can choose from. The more price buckets a state has, the better the chance routes will see a decrease in price. Some state-supported routes have allowed prices to be set under a fixed flat rate, while other WASHINGTON POST ILLUSTRATION; ISTOCK

states and long-distance routes have offered five different price points. Some lines have offered up to eight different price points.

Under the new system, most lines have expanded their systems to choose prices from up to 15 different fare models, Hamlisch said. A few states have not yet followed suit to their corresponding lines, which Amtrak said is a work in progress pending approvals from agencies and partners.

Because of the added price buckets, Amtrak can offer fares at lower prices across its more than 30 train routes. This will have the biggest effect on routes that have historically seen less demand, because there's more of an impetus to fill seats, according to Rail

**Passengers Association President** Jim Mathews.

"We have fought for many years to get something like this put in place, as it's been kind of a major issue on behalf of our own members and the traveling public," he said. "It's been a major issue that fares are ridiculously high throughout the Northeast Corridor and inconsistently high and low elsewhere in the country."

Although these price decreases will be seen across most routes, individual fares still depend on various factors, including how far in advance a passenger has booked, demand and seasonal price changes. Passengers are already able to see drastic price drops for various popular routes, as well as those with less demand, Hamlisch said.

"You'll see most prices drop a bit across most markets, but where customers will see more of a drop is on Flex, which is a remnant of the Flexible system that was previously the most expensive fare," he said.

According to one example Amtrak provided, a one-way fare going from D.C. to Philadelphia cost \$18 for the cheapest Value ticket and \$20 for a Flex option. That's roughly \$107 less than the Flexible ticket would have been priced under the old model.

The changes, Hamlisch said, build upon recent enhancements that Amtrak has launched through various initiatives.

Amtrak recently expanded Night Owl options, with some fares as low as \$5 to \$20 on trains that depart between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. And last year, Amtrak improved its Share Fares system to allow groups of three to eight passengers to receive up to 60 percent off their tickets when reserving together.

Amtrak ridership has been on the rebound, increasing from about 12.2 million riders in fiscal 2021 to 22.9 million in fiscal 2022. That's still a departure from the record 32.5 million trips recorded before the pandemic, in fiscal 2019. Hamlisch said these increases in federal funds have helped Amtrak modernize the infrastructure at their stations and trains, which in turn allows the corporation to revamp its fare categories.

These investments tie into Amtrak's goals of doubling ridership by 2040.

"Enhancing the customer experience is an important part of that," Hamlisch said.

### How to fly with formalwear, wrinkle-free

#### BY HANNAH SAMPSON

When Sarah Camp got married in Mexico several years ago, one detail fell to the bottom of her list: how to get her wedding dress there.

The travel blogger ended up toting the gown in the garment bag from the bridal shop, upgraded with a loop sewn on by her mother, and putting it in an overhead bin with two other brides' dresses on the flight from Toronto to Cancún.

"I remember watching the overhead cabin like a hawk," said Camp, author of the blog In Search of Sarah.

Everything turned out fine, but Camp has since realized the issue is a common one among brides, thanks to multiple destination wedding forums for which she is an administrator.

"It's complicated because all the airlines have totally different rules and regulations about what you can do with your bag," she said. "Some airlines have closets, some don't. It's kind of a nightmare honestly. I would research ... all these things if I were getting married again."

Whether your destination is a wedding, black-tie event or other important occasion, flying with bulky, fancy clothes can be tricky. There's a chance you'll go to pack and realize it's not entirely clear how to transport that tux.

Experts in weddings, travel and formalwear offered us their best tips and cautionary tales.

#### Carry on at all costs

Whatever you do, don't check a bag containing precious, irreplaceable, probably tailored and time-sensitive cargo. Airlines could lose or damage the bag, and getting it back could take days.

"I tell couples don't ever put your formalwear in a checked bag," said Brittany West, a destination wedding and elopement photographer. "That's the last thing you want to do."

West says her caution is based on experience: She's had luggage and dresses destroyed while shooting photos for her portfolio.

Hannah Giardino, a social media manager for a tech company, was nervous that the airline would want to check her dress when she flew from Austin to Memphis for her Mississippi wedding in late May. She tried to call American Airlines but had trouble reaching someone who could help; after she tweeted at the airline, she was told that she could bring it as a carry-on.

Her concerns were validated after multiple wedding guests had their luggage lost.

"This could have been a catastrophe for me," she said.

#### Spring for early boarding

West said she tells couples to communicate to the gate agent that they have a wedding dress in case it's possible to move to a seat without a neighbor. She also urges them to upgrade their ticket or pay for priority access to get on the plane sooner. That way, they can communicate with the flight attendant early, get early access to any available closet space or find another nearby spot to stow the clothes.

Giardino said she went straight to the counter at the airport after going through security to ensure she understood her options, and held on to the dress in a garment bag once workers started gate-checking bags.

#### Don't count on in-flight closet space

Some airlines have closets where items can be hung. But that doesn't mean your suit and ball gown will end up there.

"It's important to note that the coat closets onboard are reserved for customers traveling in our premium cabins," United said in a statement. "Sometimes a flight attendant may be able to find some available room in there, but it's not guaranteed."

Delta spokesman Drake Castañeda said in an email that, although formalwear such as a wedding dress must be stowed in a Federal Aviation Administration-approved location, such as an overhead bin or closet, the closet is not guaranteed, "as wheelchair and assistive device stowage is the primary reason for these closets."

Southwest and JetBlue do not offer the possibility of closets.

#### Garment bags are your friend

Whether the clothes are going in a suitcase, experts recommend putting them in a garment bag for

protection. The Transportation

Security Administration agrees, "strongly" recommending protective packaging during the screening process.

Both West and Camp recommend WallyBags, which are designed for formalwear, include storage space for other items and fold into a carry-on size. Those can be expensive, however, and Camp said her experience just using the bridal-shop-supplied bag was fine.

Mike Cregan of storage accessory company Butler Luxury said a cloth garment bag is better than a vinyl one, which can cause wrinkles in tight spaces.

Airlines say garment bags still need to meet size requirements for carry-on bags.

#### The drape-over-luggage approach

Although lucking into closet space is the ideal scenario, experts say another option is to fold the garment bag and place it over a small carry-on in the overhead space. Travelers will want to keep watch over the bin and ensure the item doesn't get moved or crushed.

"You don't want to fold it in half and put it in there and someone else puts their bag on top," Cregan said.

#### The stash-in-bag method

At the Bridal Finery in Winter Park, Fla., shopkeepers have packed dresses for brides getting married in Italy, Mexico, Scotland and other destinations. Co-owner Tali Gallo said their go-to method is placing the dress inside a garment bag, taking the hanger out, removing as much air as possible and rolling it up gently to fit into a hard-shell carry-on bag. Take care not to roll the bodice if it has boning, she said.

Gallo said some brides have opted for a duffel bag or a carryon garment bag, but the shop suggests a hard bag.

"We just feel like there's extra protection," she said.

Cregan said that a suit can also be folded to preserve its shape — detailed instructions are on his company's website, butler luxury.com — then placed in a garment bag and suitcase to carry on. The bag should not be too heavily packed in that case, he said.

#### Use a steamer — or the shower trick

Folding and rolling can result in wrinkles, so travelers should unpack their garments as soon as they arrive.

Gallo recommends bringing a portable steamer and steaming the dress on the morning of the wedding using filtered water. Travelers should check with whomever they bought the garment from to make sure the material will tolerate steam, Camp said.

A steamer is a good idea as long as someone has experience with it and feels comfortable using it, Cregan said.

If not, they should use the shower trick: Hang the suit or dress in the bathroom, put the shower on as hot as it will go, and leave the garment hanging for five to 10 minutes as steam fills the room

#### Get the clothes their own seat (or jet)

If there's room in the budget, experts provided some options for splurging.

"One technique that's even better: ... You have your own private

jet, and then you just can do whatever you want," Cregan said.

Perhaps there's not *that* much room in the budget. West suggested that, depending on the circumstances, such as a dress with significant heft, travelers might consider buying an extra seat next to them. They should check airline policies before doing so.

JetBlue says on its website that its policy allows passengers to buy an extra seat for a garment bag, "provided it can be properly and safely secured in a window seat by a crewmember."

Camp said some brides from her Facebook group have done that with "the big poofy dresses that would not fit anywhere else but a seat." She cautioned that it was an expensive option - but could only be necessary one way. By the time she was heading home from her own destination wedding, Camp was far less worried about her dress.

literally balled it up "T and threw it in my suitcase," she said.



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Reporter Natalie B. Compton's tent in Katmai National Park and Preserve in Alaska. The key to this trip was having the right gear, so Compton called some camping experts to get their advice.

verything I read about camping in Alaska was intimidating. Wild weather that can change on a dime. No cell service. Bugs. Bears. Add in a wet forecast, and I was shaking in my (brand-new waterproof) boots.

But smooth seas never made a

Kevin Long, CEO of the camping app the Dyrt, has two favorite layers he turns to for colder camping. On the cheaper end, the first is a simple balaclava essentially a full head beanie. The second is the Airblaster Ninja Suit, a onesie base layer as epic as its name suggests. Being

What you need for cool-weather

have an extra layer to keep your feet warm, because I feel like that's like the first thing that goes cold," she said.

#### 2. A high-quality, insulated sleeping pad

After a few camping trips without a sleeping pad, I learned

went and got a six- or 12-inch one," which enable more disruptive movement.

#### 3. A snug sleeping bag liner

To beef up the warmth and comfort of a sleeping bag, the pros recommend sleeping bag liners if you're not ready to invest

skilled sailor, and camping isn't supposed to be a piece of cake (that's what glamping's for), particularly in cooler weather. I had four nights of camping ahead of me and was going no matter what.

The key would be having the right gear, so I called some camping experts to get their advice.

For a successful trip in colder weather, "there is a lot more prep and a lot more gear you're going to have to carry to stay warm," said outdoor adventure influencer Isabel Riza Cautivo, who has backpacked in locations such as Iceland and Mount Shasta.

John Junke, an active outdoorsman who has been working at REI for nearly two decades, assured me that the extra effort would pay off and that "there are ways to make yourself more comfortable," he said.

In a perfect world, I would have unlimited backpack space and funds for the gear they recommended. If I wasn't going to such a remote, uniquely challenging destination, I could have rented some key gear to make the trip more comfortable and to cut costs.

In short, I made tough calls and cut corners. My trip went great, and I mostly had what I needed. I also had regrets. Here are my takeaways on what I had packed - and what I wish I had packed.

#### 1. Wind and waterproof layers

I was expecting temperatures in the 40s and 50s, with a mix of sunshine, rain, wind and mosquitoes. That meant I needed layers to protect against elements and enemies.

Junke said exactly what kind of layers depends on your body type and trip activities. If you'll be doing a ton of hiking or biking, or if you run hot naturally, "the best thing you can do is [wear] moisturewicking clothing," he said. "No cotton, because cotton will absorb moisture and not release it."

Look for materials that will keep you dry, such as wool, fleece and polypropylene. "And then, at an absolute minimum, have an extra set of dry base layers," Junke added. You'll thank yourself when you have a cozy backup at the end of the day.

a head-to-toe garment - complete with zippers, so you don't have to take the whole thing off to use the bathroom - "it's just amazing how much warmer you stay," Long said.

For my trip, I took Uniqlo HeatTech leggings and a turtleneck, wool socks, a fleece neck gaiter that doubles as a headband, leather gloves that made me feel like a henchman, a Cotopaxi sweatshirt, two old T-shirts, a pair of jeans, a baseball cap and some underwear. rain consideration, I For brought an old pair of waterproof ski pants and splurged on an L.L.Bean H2Off mesh-lined jacket and Blundstone thermal high-top boots.

And I was cold. I thought my layers would be enough, but I really should have brought one more, a bigger outer coat and the Randy Sun waterproof socks Cautivo swears by. "It's nice to

### camping this fall

#### BY NATALIE B. COMPTON



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MIDDLE: Compton on the banks of the Brooks River. For cold-weather trips, look for materials that will keep you dry, such as wool, fleece and polypropylene. "And then, at an absolute minimum, have an extra set of dry base layers," said John Junke, an active outdoorsman. ABOVE: Compton packs up her camping gear in the community kitchen area at Bear Trail Cabins in King Salmon, Alaska.

my lesson. And after a few more trips with a cheap, dinky one, I learned a second lesson: A lowquality sleeping pad is almost as bad as not having one. So I was lucky that, earlier this year, my fiancé, Dan, upgraded us to an insulated NEMO one. Insulated pads are made with materials to prevent you from losing body heat to the cold ground, which "makes all the difference at night," Cautivo said.

The NEMO, which we paid \$140 for, is way more expensive than I'd ever imagine spending on something that looks like a pool toy, but it's been worth every penny. I stayed off the chilly ground and fast asleep all night long.

Long says better doesn't mean bigger. He prefers full-body, wider models that keep you about an inch off the ground.

"You're probably going to be more comfortable than if you

in a nice bag. But if you are ready, Long swears by the Ascent down sleeping bag. "It has an extra layer over the top of it like a comforter that you can zip off and zip on," he said.

But I run hot, so I was skeptical about needing a souped-up bag or liner; plus, I'd already spent a ton of money on apparel and couldn't stomach another expense. And I was already pushing the limit of my luggage.

I stewed in my mistake every night and wore all of my clothes to bed.

#### 4. A Nalgene water bottle

Junke had an easy fix if you don't have a sleeping bag liner: make heat.

"If you are cold and you get in a sleeping bag, you will remain cold," he said. "The sleeping bag is simply designed to insulate what's inside."

That could mean jogging around the campsite or doing jumping jacks outside of the tent. He also recommended putting hand warmers or a Nalgene bottle full of warm water in my sleeping bag. For the latter, remember that, although Nalgenes can hold hot water without warping, not all bottles are designed to. "Do not burn yourself," Junke added. "Make sure it's warm, not scalding."

#### 5. Comfort food to warm your body and spirit

One of the easiest ways to make room in my luggage seemed like skipping a camping stove. I'd have to buy propane at my destination anyway, because I was flying.

Dan intervened when I told him that plan. Spending all day and night in the elements without the comfort of hot food would be a dreary scene, he warned. Cautivo agreed.

"You want to pack a cooking system, so you can eat warm meals to feel warm," she said. "Even just hot tea or hot soup before you go to bed brings your temperature up."

They were right. Starting the morning with a steaming bowl of porridge and a cup of coffee was huge. Having rehydrated camping meals such as pad thai and dal, rice and spinach was much nicer than the pantry food I'd envisioned. Even the ritual of setting the stove up and getting the little fire going was soothing. If only I'd had the Ninja Suit, it would have been perfect.



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### Family trips can be a blessing – if you plan correctly

#### **BY AMANDA FINNEGAN**

The first sign of trouble on our family trip to Italy was at a drawbridge in Delaware.

My brother and his girlfriend were aboard an Amtrak train from D.C. to Newark to meet my parents for a flight when they hit an hourslong delay: A yacht club had requested the bridge be held open for an event. They missed their flight, forcing my parents to travel alone on their first trip to Europe - something we had planned meticulously to avoid. Meanwhile, in Italy, my boyfriend and I were driving a rental car to the Rome airport on an almost flat tire. White-knuckled and holding my breath, I began to question everything about the trip. Had we taken on way too many logistics? Would my family of six still love one another at the end? It was far from the idyllic start I had envisioned: easy flights, refreshed travelers embracing one another at the airport, carbonara for lunch together on a piazza in Rome. Multigenerational family trips can bring some of life's most cherished moments - but also some of its most stressful. You're wrangling various levels of stamina, budgets, interests and eating preferences, not to mention trying to get everyone to one place. "At the end of the day, it's not your personal trip," said Lauren Doyle, president of the Raleigh, N.C.-based agency the Travel Mechanic. My family has taken dozens of trips together, but this was by far our most logistically challenging. We came away with many lessons, including how much we actually enjoy traveling together.



who can coordinate your plans. The price could range from about \$200 to \$500 a day, but, split among 10 people, it's a minimal cost for the benefits.

"It's a nanny for the grandparents or aunt. After running around all day, they're just done,' Weinacht said.

fine dining – with one caveat.

"If it's 4 p.m. and you know you are going to be too tired to make it, cancel,"Weinacht said, noting that not canceling has become a bad habit of tourists during the "revenge travel" era.

#### 5. Build in alone time

We set aside "alone" time on our

#### 1. Set realistic expectations

Doyle says the first thing she does when planning a trip for a group is to get someone representing every age group to identify their goal for the trip. There are often multiple group chats or email threads happening at once, she said, so getting everyone on the same page is key.

"What do you want to accomplish? And then work backward from there. Is it a villa experience? Is it about researching family history?" Doyle said.

Sandra Weinacht, who co-owns the tour company Inside Europe Travel Experiences, said her first rule is to be brutally honest about your group. Your family members aren't suddenly going to be new people on vacation.

"If you know your sister doesn't get out of bed before 11 a.m., don't think she's going to get out of bed earlier on that trip," Weinacht said.

My very wise younger brother said to me in the weeks before, "I'm prioritizing relationships on this trip," and it really stuck with

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Author Amanda Finnegan's family watches the sun set over Florence. Their group set aside "alone" time in big and small ways, with the family coming together for Rome, Tuscany and Florence.

me. We'd probably never be back in this place as a family again, and making the most of it for our parents was our joint goal. Did I need to see the Colosseum again? No, but seeing it as a family was important.

#### 2. Figure out a budget and who's paying

Just because your mom and dad are on the trip doesn't mean you've suddenly become a child again. Set clear expectations on what you're willing to spend and who's paying for what.

"Planning ahead and really thinking about how much money we have saved and who is paying is an important piece of planning," Dovle said.

In addition to booking most of our accommodations and tours, I suggested we designate my credit card for expenses. (Selfishly, I wanted the points.) My goal was to eliminate the dance at the end of every meal about who was paying; plus, check-splitting is not a thing in the majority of Europe. I kept track of expenses and told everyone what they owed when we got back home. We were actually surprised at how little we spent.

Doyle also suggests budgeting for travel insurance. "Because there are so many people [on your trip] and it can be so expensive, travel insurance is important, especially when you have kids or elders who might get sick."

Depending on the size of your group, both Doyle and Weinacht suggested private experiences, such as hiring a driver or a guide



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Finnegan's family walks through the streets of Siena. "Making sure you find accommodations that fit everyone's needs is really important, especially when you are dealing with babies or people with mobility issues," says Lauren Doyle of the Travel Mechanic.

#### . Find accommodations that suit everyone

If people aren't sleeping well, it's sure to creep into other aspects of the trip, Doyle said. So make sure you find a rental with enough beds (no one wants the couch) or a hotel with enough rooms if you know sleeping under one roof will cause conflict.

"Making sure you find accommodations that fit everyone's needs is really important, especially when you are dealing with babies or people with mobility issues," Doyle said.

Weinacht suggests finding somewhere to stay close to the center of the action to make things easier for a group. Although staying farther out could save you a few dollars, it may not be worth the hassle or cost if you'll have to coordinate transportation for everyone. You want your grandma to be able to get a cup of coffee at a next-door cafe or for your sister to put the little ones down for a nap after an activity.

#### 4. Break from the group for meals

Not every meal needs to be eaten together on a family trip. In fact, both Weinacht and Doyle advise against it.

"Food is a huge thing people fight over," Doyle said. She suggests picking one "dining experience" for your trip, whether that's a cooking class, a dinner with a view or bringing a private chef to the house. It takes the guesswork out of at least one night and brings people together. Doyle said she always builds breakfast into packages for her clients, because it's one less thing to think about in the morning.

I learned on our trip that adventurous eating varied on my family's list of priorities. Some occasionally wanted the comforts of home; others wanted to try a restaurant they'd been seeing on a list. And all of those things are okay. We made it a priority to come together for dinner each night, which we rotated in picking. Before the trip, I created a guide for each city on Apple Maps, which allowed us to each add restaurants we were interested in and to see what would be near points of interest.

As European cities flood with tourists, the idea of just popping into a popular restaurant and getting a table is a fairy tale. And with a big group, forget it.

Weinacht suggests making several reservations per night and mixing it up between casual and trip in big and small ways. First, we knew everyone had different bucket-list stops. I wanted to go to Sicily; my brother wanted to see the Amalfi Coast. Plus, there was no way we could tackle all our goals on our PTO and financial budgets.

So we bookended our trip with our own agendas: My boyfriend and I toured Sicily while my family would arrive a week later to do Rome, Tuscany and Florence together. We then escorted my parents back home while my brother and his girlfriend headed south. Everyone accomplished what they wanted.

We also planned a few hours of alone time for everyone each day. As Weinacht noted: "Having that time apart brings you closer, because you come back together and share those moments with each other."

Doyle said building in time for everyone to acclimate or decompress, especially on a trip abroad, is essential. She suggests having a "down day" to make sure everyone gets on the time zone or relaxes before a long travel day home.

Travel can be exhausting. Family can be exhausting. So don't forget to build in buffer time at home, too.

"When you get back from one of these multigenerational trips, you may be tired from all the people.... Easing into a trip or out is important and should not be underestimated," Doyle said.

#### 6. Don't overplan

When you have so little time in a place, your knee-jerk reaction is to jam in as much as you can. Who knows whether you'll ever be back? As someone who loves a plan, I had to resist this urge.

"I always tell clients, 'Yes, you can be a Type A planner, but you do not want to overplan on a multigenerational trip," Doyle said.

That's because these types of trips tend to be slower-paced, she said. You may be traveling with elderly family members or kids, and their needs are different.

We built our itineraries around one big activity for the day and left the rest open for dining and wandering. In these moments, I found a discount luxury store where I bought a sweater in Siena, and my brother found a great view of Florence from a public library.

"You need time for those serendipitous moments," Weinacht said. "Leaving more time for yourself doesn't mean you are going to do less."



#### Greenville was quiet. Then a local kid became YouTube's biggest star.

BY DREW HARWELL AND TAYLOR LORENZ IN GREENVILLE, N.C.

The mysterious structures appear on the outskirts of town with strange frequency: a recreation of Willy Wonka's chocolate factory, a 10-story video game monster, giant dominoes. And then there are the earthshaking explosions, which have be-

come so common that county officials distribute "planned pyrotechnics" notices over email and Facebook instructing homeowners not to call the police.

But living in the same town as YouTube mega-celebrity Jimmy



cal spots to perform their signature acts of stunt philanthropy. One waitress at a hotdog joint won a private island.

Donaldson

In the online creator economy, Donaldson is an international legend with more than 200 mil-SEE GREENVILLE ON G5

#### BY TAYLOR LORENZ AND DREW HARWELL

he first blog appeared on the internet 30 years ago. Today, there are millions of content creators producing blogs, vlogs, podcasts, video content, newsletters and more, and online creation has become a major industrial sector. On YouTube alone, creators support the equivalent of 390,000 full-time jobs in the United States, according to the video giant - four times more than General Motors, America's biggest automaker. More than 70 percent of American adults under 30 say they follow an influencer on social media, according to a 2022 Pew Research Center survey. A majority of those young social media users say influencers sway their decisions as consumers. The U.S. government does little to measure or regulate this industry, so hard data about the sector is difficult to find. But estimates suggest that online creation supports tens of millions of workers and attracts hundreds of millions of customers. This year, Goldman Sachs valued the creator economy at \$250 billion and predicted that it would double to nearly half a trillion dollars in the next five years. Here are some key moments in the rise of the creator economy. SEE CREATORS ON G4

### Cheesecake Factory? Here are real dating red flags.



helped crystallize what I wanted in a mate. I learned to Michelle watch for relevant red flags. Singletary Of the traits that were

important to me in a future THE COLOR OF MONEY spouse, none had anything to do with the kind of car he drove, the clothes he wore or

where he took me out.

Which brings us to a now-viral Facebook post, involving a trucker and a list of 30 places women allegedly don't want to go on a

years of marriage.

But before I got married, I

had some telling dates that

This month, I will celebrate 32 first date.

And yes, you know already, outrage ensued.

Cheesecake Factory took the top spot on the now-famous list, and fans pounced.

"Ain't nothing wrong with the Cheesecake Factory," Stephen A. Smith, co-host of "First Take" on ESPN, ranted on his YouTube show.

The dubious distinction also went to Applebee's, Chili's, Chipotle and Olive Garden. Some restaurants that skirted scorn rejoiced.

"We're in the clear," Shake Shack wrote in an Instagram comment.

The list was a hot topic on the "Breakfast Club" syndicated radio show and came up for debate on "The View."

It's all so silly. My best friend's husband took her to Wendy's on their first date. They've been married 33 years.

But all this talk about first-date restaurants has provided an opening for a conversation on what really matters.

When dating, you should be looking for relationship red flags that might make you financially incompatible. Here's mine:

#### 1. Having debt is no big deal

I was on a first date in my early 20s when I thought I had found my person. The evening was going so well. The

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The Native American population exploded, the census shows. But why? G3

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### What should I say to a client who tattled to my boss about my secret side job?

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interest A while back, a colleague from another company asked me to do some consulting

for him. His company falls into the gray area that is not exactly a conflict of interest – but not exactly NOT a conflict of interest. I wanted to help him out, so I accepted with the condition that I would be an unnamed consultant and that my company could not find out.

Well, he told my boss during a Zoom call (which I was not on). My boss called me and was seriously unhappy because I had not told or asked her first.

I have no idea why he would out me like that. Maybe he wanted to be on the up-and-up with my boss? Did he just forget? On each invoice he signed off on, I had written, "No attribution to [my company]."

In retrospect, I should not have accepted any role with this colleague. I would say he is untrustworthy, but maybe I am as well for taking this role. Pot calling the kettle black.

I have backed out of the project, citing my heavy workload, but I am going to run into this colleague sooner or later. We used to be friends, but now I'm done with him.

I know he will ask me about this, and I plan to tell him I don't want to say something I will regret later. The unsaid implication is that he should not have said something he would regret later.

Is that too much or too little to say? I don't want to come across as bitter and petty.



Karla: So you're hoping that the guy who did not understand, remember or care to comply with your explicit demand for secrecy will somehow pick up on an unspoken hint that he should be ashamed of himself?

I have no idea whether he's forgetful, malicious, somehow thought your boss was in on the secret, or is actually sharing ownership of his business with an identical twin brother who didn't know all the details of

Should today's version be:

You shouldn't share intimate

details of your finances, such as

your income, on an initial date,

pattern of bad decision-making.

If you start to get serious, it's

smart to share your credit report

discuss your money personality

What's your credit score?

but stay tuned to later

discussions that indicate a

and credit score as a way to

your arrangement. But I do know that leaving things unsaid and giving incomplete reasons for your decisions is the opposite of clear communication.

When you backed out of the project, that was your ideal chance to find out what he was thinking while letting him know the consequences of his indiscretion. Maybe you were too flustered then. But it's not too late to speak up when the

opportunity presents itself again: "Hey, about that project I was doing for you: I know I said I was pulling out because of my workload, but the main reason is that my boss got angry after learning about it from you. I thought you understood she wasn't to know about my involvement, so I'm puzzled as to why you told her. It really put me in a bad spot.'

It's a simple statement of facts, not an accusation. His

reply, and maybe apology, will help you decide whether your friendship can be salvaged, even though you may never trust him in a professional context.

But while your colleague is a convenient target for your embarrassment-presenting-asanger, let's discuss the fine kettle you have rationalized yourself into: "Not . . . NOT a conflict" boils down to "a conflict." And vou clearly knew that going into this arrangement, which is why

you wanted to keep it on the down low.

Plenty of people, including me, have side gigs in addition to their full-time day jobs. Some, like me, do so with their primary employer's explicit permission; others figure what they do on their own time is their own business, so long as it's not interfering with their work and doesn't conflict with the employer's interests - for example, by benefiting a competitor.

However, if you're not going to seek permission, you had better be prepared to seek forgiveness. Assume the worst will happen and plan for it. If you can't envision how you will explain yourself if (or when) secrets leak, then that's a sign not to make the deal.

Your primary employer has to take priority over any side gig. It's not "one" company, but "the" company.

If you can't afford to lose your full-time job - and few of us can - you need to put all your efforts into rebuilding trust with your boss and establishing yourself as a solid, reliable employee who can be counted on to exercise good judgment and ethics. That could mean taking a break from outside work or clearing any future gigs with your boss in advance.

If you chafe at the idea of giving up your autonomy to accept side gigs, it might be time to consider moving from fulltime employment to selfemployment.

It would mean having to manage your own taxes and benefits, but you would set your own pay rates and choose your own projects. Just be aware that dealing ethically with clients is paramount when your business's reputation rests entirely with

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#### **MICHELLE SINGLETARY**

So Applebee's isn't your ideal first date. But reckless spending sure isn't sexy.

#### SINGLETARY FROM G1

conversation turned to how excited he was about paying off his car loan.

My heart was full, because I thought he loathed debt as much as I did. I had found my frugal



sexually exploitative, since women dominate serving

you

positions But until tipping is eradicated in favor of a high-enough living

wage, it's part of the price of dining out. If your date grouses all the

soul mate. He was fine and would be

debt-free soon. Yes, mama. But by the time we were served dessert, my date started talking about how he planned to immediately trade in his car for a BMW. When I questioned his decision to get right back into another loan, one that would be a big hit on his budget, he dismissed my concerns.

He wanted that car no matter the consequences. Life is too short to worry

about money, he said. He did not get a second date.

#### 2. Overspenders

When back-to-back auto loans don't allow for adequate savings, that's a problem.

When dates bragged about the stuff they purchased or where they vacationed and I suspected or knew their income didn't support their lifestyle, I was out. And quick.

Conspicuous consumption is not cute or sexy when it's unaffordable.

You have to know what you can tolerate. If you hate debt, don't get involved with someone who is credit card rich.

I didn't want to be constantly fighting with someone unwilling to pull back his spending, to the detriment of our financial future.

#### 3. Poor credit scores

"What's your sign?" was an oftused first-date icebreaker way back when.

and history. And don't just focus on the credit score.

A high credit score (FICO ranges from a low of 300 to a high of 850) simply means someone is good at managing debt. It's not an indication they are a good person. A low score doesn't necessary signal a pattern of poor money management. Perhaps the person has a thin credit file, or

had a tough time - a job loss or illness – but is working to improve their financial situation. But it's important to find out if you're about to get into a relationship with an unapologetic debtor, bent on living beyond their means.

#### 4. Bad tippers

My grandmother, Big Mama, used to say, "You can be right and

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#### wrong.

Watch how someone tips. Are they overly pleased when leaving far less than the recommended amount, even with superior service, arguing that companies should pay their workers?

It's not that they are wrong about the practice of tipping. Restaurant workers shouldn't have to rely on the generosity of diners, a custom that can be

time about the gratuity, it should make you pause. Miserly behavior is not a good look.

#### 5. Doesn't like talking about monev

When dating, spend time getting to know the person's financial backstory. How did they develop certain views about money?

Do they become uncomfortable when the topic of money comes up?

I loved that my husband felt confident enough to say early in our relationship that he couldn't afford to go on expensive dates.

We talked candidly about how we each would contribute to our outings. His frugality was endearing.

People bring a lot of baggage into a relationship. Unpack stuff before you become deeply involved. A spender and a saver can live harmoniously, but it takes a lot of effort and communication.

Dating is an opportunity to be discerning. Look for someone who shares your values. Don't focus on meaningless things like where you have your first date.

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#### **BY ANDREW VAN DAM**

orget about Martin Scorsese's "Killers of the Flower Moon": We're pretty sure the most anticipated debut related to Native Americans this year is a much-delayed and much-lesssnappily named release from the U.S. Census Bureau known as Detailed Demographic and Housing Characteristics File A.

The report provides the most detailed data we've ever had on America's racial and ethnic origins, including stunningly exhaustive data on nearly 1,200 tribes, Native villages and other entities. We hoped it would shed light on one of the biggest mysteries in the 2020 Census: Why did the Native American population skyrocket by 85 percent over the past decade?

The number of Americans claiming Indigenous heritage jumped from 5.2 million in 2010 to 9.6 million in 2020, a stark increase that probably was not the result of good old-fashioned procreation. Native Americans had the lowest fertility rate of any group measured last year, roughly tied with Asian Americans, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

We could make some lessthan-educated guesses, informed by the observation that the rise was largest among Native Americans claiming a mixed heritage. But The Post didn't greenlight a column called the Department of Less-Than-Educated Guesses. So we dug deeper.

Growth in select Native American groups

We noticed that Indigenous groups across the board were much more likely to be multiracial than other groups. We called **Brookings Institution researcher** Robert Maxim, a citizen of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe who studies Native American data issues. This, he explained, was the legacy of centuries of forced assimilation.

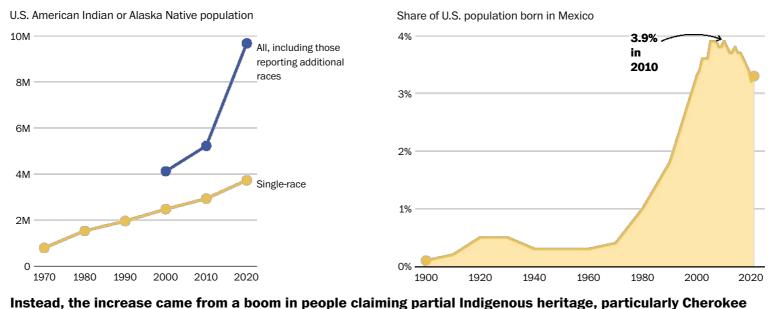
From the 1870s until the 1960s, the federal government ran brutal boarding schools designed to assimilate Indigenous children. Then came the tribal-termination era of the 1950s and '60s, when the government encouraged Indigenous people to pack up and move to the city. Under the so-called Voluntary Relocation Program, Maxim told us, the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs would terminate a tribe's federal recognition, "divide up the reservation, sell it off to the settlers and give the tribal members a one-time cash payment and a one-way ticket to the city." It broke Native social ties and led to more marriages to outsiders.

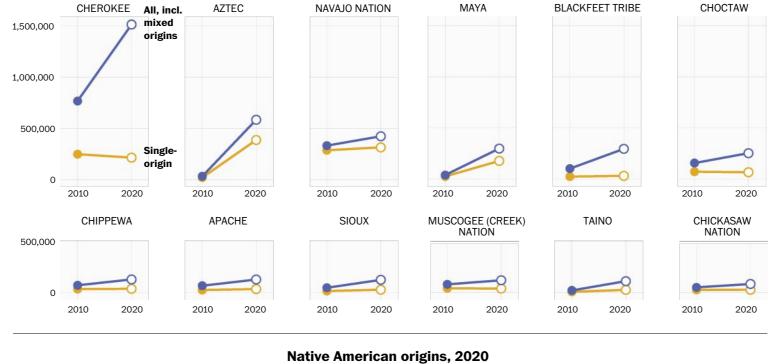
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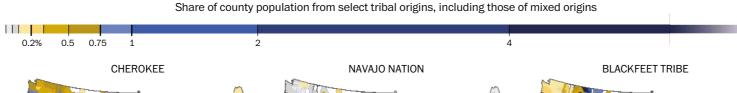
#### **DEPARTMENT OF DATA**

# Was there really a sudden Native American population boom?

The U.S. Native American population soared 85 percent in the past decade. But while many Aztecs and other Natives come from abroad, that's probably not the reason - migration from Mexico has reversed







The bureau counted up to six responses and matched them, by hand if necessary, with their official origin list.

Crucially, Census tabulated your race based on the origins you entered, not just the racial box you checked. If you marked only White on the form but wrote in "Scottish, Romanian, Italian and Cherokee," you'd be marked as American Indian and Alaska Native as well as White. You'd also show up as part Cherokee.

A broad definition of Native American isn't necessarily bad. Many Americans with deep Indigenous backgrounds haven't enrolled in federally recognized tribes. But it does mean the total of 9.7 million American Indians and Alaska Natives includes people who did not check that box on the census

Still, the Census Bureau didn't create this population of surprise Native Americans. It just revealed it with a change in methodology. And it raises another big question: Why are there so many Cherokees, out of all the possible American Indian identities?

The unsatisfying answer would be that a surprising number of White and Black Americans suffer from what has been uncharitably called "Cherokee Grandmother Syndrome," the century-old proto-meme that a dimly recalled ancestor contributed "Cherokee blood.'

A more thoughtful answer requires a deeper understanding of Cherokee history. As a dominant tribe in the American Southeast. the matrilineal Cherokee used marriage as a tool to bring outsiders into their kinship system, said Virginia Commonwealth University's Gregory Smithers. That spun a wide web of genetic ties, and may have led Whites to view the tribe as more similar to them in culture and appearance. As one of the so-called Five Civilized Tribes, they also thrived economically. Their elites often owned enslaved Africans, which created a basis for Black Americans to have Cherokee heritage as well.

The devastating relocations known as the Trail of Tears followed by a century-plus of disruptive federal policies spread them across the region. That history also led some White Southerners to embrace the Cherokee as fellow victims of federal overreach - though Smithers is quick to point out it was often those Southerners' ancestors who led the calls for Cherokee removal in the first place.

Together, it all means that Cherokee origins were pervasive enough, and desirable enough, to be smoothly passed down in garbled family legends. In "Becoming Indian: The Struggle Over Cherokee Identity in the Twentyfirst Century," University of Texas anthropologist Circe Sturm finds people who reported Cherokee roots but actually came from a different Southeastern tribe one without such high brand recognition that its name has been attached to a top selling, gas-hungry Jeep SUV. The adoption of a tenuous Indigenous heritage may be a sign that Americans are shying away from a White identity that has become an uncomfortable mark of privilege. But there's a more charitable interpretation, too. "Most race shifters see themselves not as White people who 'play Indian,'" Sturm wrote in the Conversation, "but as long-unrecognized American Indians who have been forced by historical circumstances to 'play White.'" To be fair, simple genetic math implies that Cherokee and other genes have probably spread far and wide through the population. Your number of potential ancestors doubles every generation, causing exponential growth. In 10 generations, or about 250 years, it tops 1,000. In 20, it tops a million. It doesn't take long for our fast-expanding family trees to interlock. Which helps explain why American Indians often point to concepts like tribal membership and kinship bonds - not the genetic links implied by measures of race - as the best markers of Native American identity. "It's why so many people insist that Native American identity is a question of political citizenship," Maxim told us, "rather than race."

helps explain why Native Americans are more likely to have a mixed heritage. But it doesn't explain the giant increase in numbers in recent years.

At this point, it's worth noting that data about Native Americans is unusually hard to parse. Census relies on each person's own assessment of tribal affiliation, rather than tribal enrollment, and counts many more tribes than have official federal recognition, resulting in a sometimes haphazard system that, as Maxim says, "leads to all sorts of wacky results."

So, for the moment, let's set aside the complicated question of mixed-origin Native Americans and take a look at the largest group of single-origin Native Americans in these United States: the Aztecs.

The Census Bureau definition of Native American is not limited to tribes originating on the turf of today's United States. More than 20 percent of those Census calls single-race American Indian and Alaska Native have Indigenous roots reaching outside our current borders, including the Aztecs, a Mesoamerican people whose modern descendants are known in Mexico as the Nahua.

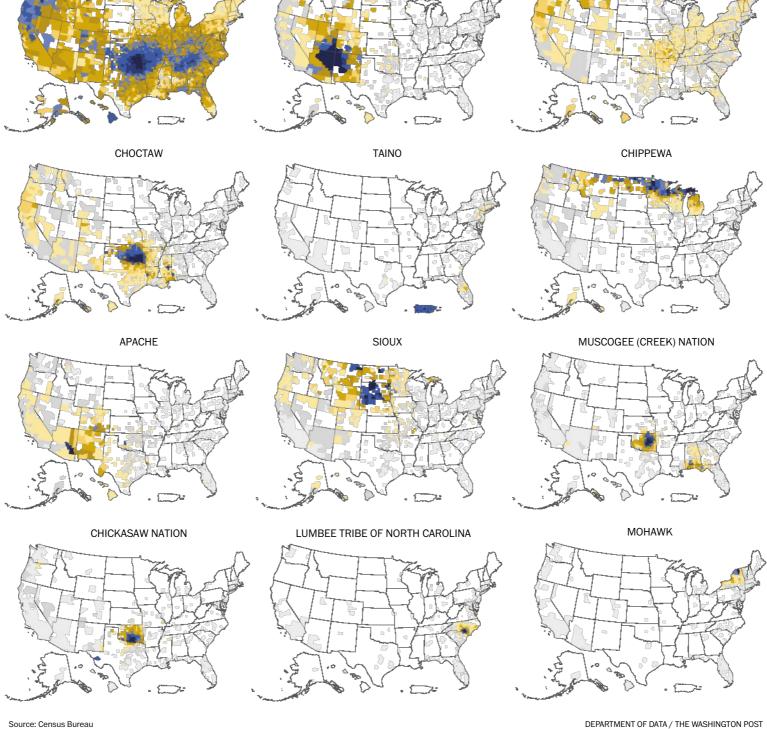
In the 2020 Census, about 387,000 Americans claimed a full background as Aztec - nearly 20 times the number reported in 2010. This improbable increase is probably due in part to a quirk of data collection. The 2020 Census form listed Aztec and Maya prominently as suggested Native American origins.

But maybe it also provided a clue: Could immigration from other countries have boosted our Native American population?

Probably not. From 2010 to 2020, immigration from Mexico slowed markedly, and even went into reverse. And after quadrupling from 1980 to 2000, the number of U.S. residents who were born in Mexico fell.

Mesoamerican Indians like the Aztecs are hardly recent arrivals. In the earliest days of Spanish colonization of what is now the U.S.-Mexico border region, settlers speaking Nahuatl, the Aztec language, probably outnumbered Spaniards.

"It is no exaggeration to say that Indigenous Mexicans conquered, colonized and evangelized the borderlands, sometimes under Spanish direction, other times not," said Travis Jeffres, a cultural resource consultant and



Source: Census Bureau

author of "The Forgotten Diaspora."

The second-biggest Native American origin in the United States is the Navajo Nation. But while it's one of America's top tribes by land area and enrollment, the Navajo population did not grow as rapidly in the 2020 Census as Native Americans writ large

So we looked at the third-biggest group - and it's a humdinger and a half. About 215,000 Americans claim to be exclusively "Cherokee." And these generic "Cherokees" outnumber Census

counts for all three federally recognized Cherokee tribes, none of which are included in the generic "Cherokee" total.

But the bit that really braised our brains is this: While the number of people claiming to be single-race Cherokee fell slightly in the 2020 Census, the number claiming to be at least part Cherokee skyrocketed from 770,000 to about 1.5 million.

That doubling dwarfs the increases of other Native groups. It's like we discovered an entire Alaska or North Dakota populated solely by newfound part-Cher-

okees. If we can pinpoint where they came from, we've probably solved this mystery.

We tracked down University of Minnesota sociologist Carolyn Liebler, an Indigenous demography expert who has repeatedly delved deep into the data to count the surprising numbers of Americans who embrace new racial identities from census to census. She thought she could put a finger on the culprit.

"It's definitely the Census Bureau," she told us via email. Her research has shown that, yes, people are adopting Indigenous

identities, and Indigenous people are immigrating to the United States. But that's been the case for decades. This time, something's different. And it's got to be "very important changes in the race question and especially in the way they coded the responses that they received."

As we've discussed previously, Census changed how it measured race in 2020. Unlike in 2010, the form provided a free-response line for all races. If you marked White or Black you were prompted to write a specific origin, such as Russian, Alsatian or Haitian.

#### The Department of Data craves

quantitative questions. What are vou curious about: A deep dive into Native Hawaiians, Chamorros, Samoans and other Indigenous Americans outside North America? Are government jobs in the United States really more scarce than they've been at any point since the Great Depression? Is college really getting cheaper? Just ask at wapo.st/ data-department.

If your question inspires a column, we'll send an official Department of Data button and ID card. This week we owe a button to Sadie Jo Smokey-Crews in Phoenix, a citizen of the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California, who asked about tribal populations and enrollments.

#### CREATORS FROM G1

### It began with a blog. Now it's a \$250 billion industry.



#### 1997-2005 Blogging takes off

The first easy-to-use tools for online publishing appear, allowing anyone with light computer skills to share their thoughts with a digital community. Personality-driven blogs by young mothers begin to attract big audiences, while other blogs edge into the world of traditional media, covering news, politics, music, film and fashion.

#### 1997

Jorn Barger coins the term "weblog" on his website Robot Wisdom to describe the list of links that "log" his exploration of the early internet.

#### 1999

Self-publishing tools proliferate with the arrival of Blogger. Soon to follow: Movable Type (2001) and WordPress (2003).

#### 2002

The ad network Blogads launches. By 2005, the company provides revenue streams to some of the biggest sites, including Daily Kos, Wonkette and Daily Dish.

#### 2004

"Mommy blogger" Heather Armstrong, a.k.a. Dooce, puts ads on her blog, pioneering a revenue model for personality-driven creators.

#### 2004

Perez Hilton upends celebrity media with his gossip blog PageSixSixSix, eventually dubbed "Hollywood's most-hated website."

#### 2005

The White House gives a press pass to Garrett Graff, editor of FishbowlDC, a blog about Washington news media.





#### 2010-2013 Money floods in

Technological advances supercharge mobile phone use, allowing creators to easily record videos and upload them for a rapidly growing audience of smartphone users. Venture capitalists take note, pouring cash into multichannel networks, which offer YouTube creators services such as audience development and monetization in exchange for a cut of their earnings.

#### 2010

Apple introduces a front-facing camera on its iPhone 4, ushering in the era of the selfie.

#### 2010

The first VidCon convention of video creators is held in the basement ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza hotel in Century City, Calif.

#### 2011

YouTube buys the multichannel network Next New Networks and adopts its practice of calling YouTubers "creators."

#### 2011

RewardStyle, later known as LTK, launches, allowing bloggers to earn money from the sales of clothing and other consumer goods generated from their content.

#### 2012

4G broadband arrives in the United States, bringing faster mobile connections. Smartphone use soars from about a quarter of Americans in 2010 to 92 percent in 2023.





#### 2017-2019 Backlash and burnout

The election of Donald Trump as president turns a spotlight on social media and its most problematic content, including misinformation and extreme stunts by content creators. Creators, meanwhile, start speaking openly about the mental health costs of nonstop creation and the tyranny of social media algorithms.

#### 2017

Advertisers flee YouTube — an event known as the "adpocalypse" — after news reports reveal that ads are appearing next to xenophobic, extremist and offensive content.

#### 2017

The Federal Trade Commission issues disclosure guidelines for creators, forcing them to begin labeling sponsored content. Ironically, sponsored content becomes a status symbol.

#### 2017

The Chinese tech conglomerate ByteDance buys Musical.ly, relaunching it a year later as TikTok.

#### 2018

Big content creators across the industry burn out and break down, sparking a national conversation about the pressures of social media success and the incessant demand for content.



#### 2006-2009

#### The party photo era

Nightlife photography moves online, propelling a new generation of "it girls" to cult fandom on blogs like Hipster Runoff and the Cobrasnake. Together with the rise of reality TV and viral video stars on YouTube, they transform the definition of celebrity, making it seem as if almost anyone can become famous.

#### 2006

United Talent Agency becomes the first major talent agency to launch a digital department, signing up creators gaining prominence on the early social network, MySpace.

#### 2007

One of the first gatherings of YouTube creators, 777, takes place in Manhattan's Washington Square Park.

#### 2007

YouTube launches its Partner Program, giving video creators a share of advertising revenue.

#### 2008

Tavi Gevinson, then 11, starts Style Rookie, mixing runway reviews with personal reflections and outfit photos. She is part of a wave of fashion bloggers recruited by major brands with cash and free clothing.

#### 2009

The Station, the first YouTuber content house and an early collaborative channel, is formed in Venice Beach, Calif. Members of the group eventually birth Maker Studios, a multichannel network purchased by Disney in 2014 for a reported \$500 million.

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#### 2014-2016

#### America goes viral

The wild growth of video apps like Vine and Snapchat — as well as the microblogging site Twitter — reveal the power of the internet to make any random person famous. But that power also begins to be weaponized, opening a bitter, new front in the culture war.

#### 2014

Vine — which let smartphone users record, edit and post sixsecond videos — becomes a cultural tastemaker, minting new memes by the minute and mainstreaming mobile video.

#### 2014

"Alex from Target," a 16-year-old working a cash register at a SuperTarget in Dallas, goes viral when a girl tweets his photo with a fire emoji. The teenager joins a surge of ordinary people who become instantly famous thanks to a social media post.

#### 2014

GamerGate, a harassment campaign against women in the video game industry that involved doxing and death threats, erupts, providing a blueprint for bad actors looking to use social media to attack marginalized groups.

#### 2015

Live-streaming booms with the rise of video gaming site Twitch; personal live-streaming platform YouNow; and the Twitter service Periscope. Streamers earn money from fans sending tips.

#### 2015

Musical.ly goes mainstream with the #Don'tJudgeChallenge — a trend that involves users tricking themselves out to look ugly, then revealing themselves looking attractive.

#### 2015

The word "influencer" — a long-standing marketing term — is popularized as marketing executives shower money onto online creators, having discovered their power to influence purchases by their fans.

#### 2016

Vine collapses as its large stable of video creators flees to other platforms, frustrated by the app's lack of support. The episode showed creators that they should never be reliant on a single social media app and established the economic power of individual creators, whose celebrity can now rival the biggest stars in Hollywood.

#### 2020-2023

#### The TikTok era

As the coronavirus pandemic shuts down public life around the globe, people turn to their phones for shopping and entertainment. Downloads of TikTok and Twitch spike, and views skyrocket for online creators of every stripe.

#### 2020

TikTok becomes a mainstream social platform, amassing 500 million users in five months, according to Sensor Tower data. It joins Snapchat and Instagram as the most popular social networks among American teens, according to Statista.

#### 2021

Dozens of new apps allow creators to monetize every aspect of their lives, such as letting paying fans dictate how they dress or spend their time.

#### 2021

Members of the mob that storm the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6 earn thousands of dollars in donations by live-streaming the event on platforms such as DLive.

#### 2021

Alex Cooper, creator of the sex-positive podcast "Call Her Daddy," reportedly signs an exclusive three-year \$60-million deal with Spotify, the biggest payout by the service for a woman-led podcast.

#### 2021

Silicon Valley pours \$1.3 billion into creator economy start-ups such as #paid, which helps establish brand partnerships — the biggest source of creator revenue.

#### 2022

Elon Musk buys Twitter. While many creators leave the platform, others — mostly high-profile, far-right influencers — are paid to post on the app for the first time.

#### 2022

Walmart launches Walmart Creator, described as "a one-stop portal ... for creators to monetize shoppable products from the retailer." Amazon also scales up its influencer program, as creators lean hard into e-commerce.

#### 2023

Forbes unveils its second annual "Creator List," with YouTuber Jimmy Donaldson in the top spot. Donaldson, a.k.a. MrBeast, is listed as having earnings of \$82 million a year — and a future seat on the Forbes board.

#### **GREENVILLE** FROM G1

lion YouTube subscribers, famous for wildly viral videos in which he pays for 1,000 people's cataract surgeries, stages his own Olympics, tours a billion-dollar superyacht and spends 50 hours buried alive.

But in Greenville, population 88,000, the 25-year-old multimillionaire holds a different kind of power. Since posting his first YouTube from his bedroom as a child, he has become a one-man driver of the local economy. One regional development official now ranks YouTube content creation among the town's biggest businesses, alongside pharmaceutical manufacturing and the local forklift plant.

Donaldson's contribution to North Carolina's 12th-largest city now includes supersized production studios, a workforce-training program at the local university and a labor base of 250 contractors and employees. In one leafy neighborhood, he owns five homes where he houses friends and employees - basically an entire cul-de-sac.

The MrBeast company's impact on Greenville throws a spotlight on how remarkably conventional the online-influencer business has become, bringing jobs, money and opportunity to cities thousands of miles from Hollywood. Donaldson has reshaped this Southern college town and its rural surroundings into what some locals now call "Beastville" – a small playground of viral spectacle centered around a huge, unpredictable star. And the people have changed, too.

There are the local schoolkids who want to be MrBeast, or at least appear in his videos. There are the college students who want his freebies to pay for tuition, bar money and rent. There are the adults at local institutions - the hometown college, the county government – who work to navigate the eccentricities of his online empire, and the folks eager to land one of his weird, part-time jobs. And then there are the everyday citizens of Greenville, who are mostly befuddled by the whole thing - and, at times, scared and annoved

As the creator economy grows, more American towns could soon look like Beastville, either as empowered engines of hometown influence or as bewildered backdrops for the latest viral craze. One man here said it was like living next door to an "otherworldly presence": an openair studio full of contestants and extras, where MrBeast is always the biggest draw

#### 'Unlimited money'

Founded on the banks of the Tar River in the late 1700s, Greenville first became known for processing and warehousing tobacco. In the 1960s, it became slightly better known as the home of East Carolina University, a former teachers' training college that now has 27,000 students



The walls of Sup Dogs in Greenville, N.C., are covered in photos of student activities, including events with YouTube celebrity Jimmy "MrBeast" Donaldson, 25, who lives in Greenville and has become a one-man driver of the local economy.

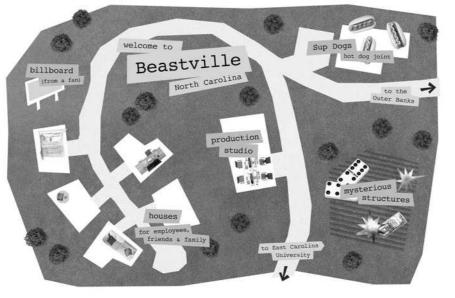


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wooded backyard, which Donaldson's company bought for \$680,000 in 2021, had been sold four years earlier for roughly half that price. "I wish he bought this one," said one homeowner down the block, sitting in his open garage one recent day, listening to the rain.

#### 'Company town'

working, Miki Ragsdale, the owner of a pastry shop, Aji, said she pitched his crew to come by and see how much candy they could eat. "Nobody got back to me," she said.

The folks in Donaldson's neighborhood say their initial fears of a descent into madness have faded. Medlin said his wife and two teenagers all now follow

show about a capitalist dystopia's deadly game show, he was blown away - not just by the sets, but also the intense amount of labor he saw off-camera.

Like 455 other contestants, the bartender was given a numbered track suit and instructed to compete in a gantlet of elaborate challenges for a half-milliondollar prize. He "died" early but still made \$2,000 from two days of work, which mostly involved waiting, huddled in a giant crowd, as cameras and producers swung into place.

"It's crazy how much work goes in behind the scenes that no one even knows about," he said. "Everyone thinks these videos - you just run in and they do it in half an hour. We were standing for eight hours just for the first day. And it went for a week."

The stunt, which Donaldson later called the "craziest video we've ever filmed times 100," has since become the most-watched MrBeast video, with nearly a half-billion views. For locals here, it also helped highlight how rapidly the company has grown. Donaldson has said the video cost \$2 million to build and produce, plus another \$1.5 million in pay and prizes

To build its workforce, Donaldson's company has posted job openings for a wide range of roles, including producers, web developers, 3D prop artists, thumbnail designers and YouTube statistics specialists.

video content in the world," "stay cutting edge in an ephemeral culture," and "push the limits of what was once thought of as impossible."

To help supervise Donaldson's filming, officials with Pitt County Emergency Management, which covers Greenville, have asked pyrotechnics contractors brought in for video shoots to get permits for their blasts. They also distribute email and Facebook alerts to let residents know everything's under control.

Many homeowners, however, never see the alerts, which in any case give few details. One July alert said a special-effects company called Cape Fear Effects would be overseeing some controlled explosions behind a volunteer firehouse during three filming sessions between 5 and 10 p.m., and that there was "no concern for public safety."

But one resident in a manufacturedhome community half a mile away said the booms shook the pictures off her walls at 10 a.m., leading her and several elderly neighbors to walk outside, terrified. "It felt like I was in a war zone," said the woman, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because she worried how people in her neighborhood might react.

The blasts repeated half a dozen times throughout the day, as well as around midnight and just before dawn the next morning, she said. "My nerves were shot. I was torn all to pieces," she said. "Imagine you're trying to sleep and it feels like someone is literally running a car into vour house'

Randy Gentry, the county's emergency management director, said "unforeseen delays" had forced the production to run later than expected and end around 11:50 p.m. County officials, he said, had determined it was safer for the technical crew to proceed with the pyrotechnics rather than defuse them. (They have since changed the rules.)

Some former MrBeast workers say Donaldson's perfectionism fosters a ruthless work environment. Though Donaldson has rejected that criticism, he has acknowledged his workload can be brutal: In August, he said he was "dying mentally" from filming seven days a week. "I don't have a life. I don't have work/life balance. ... And I don't recommend it," he said in a June interview.

The rumor around town, according to one ECU graduate, was that the average MrBeast hire lasts just 90 days before burning out. Others defend the highpressure environment, arguing that a job with MrBeast has become as sought-after as a chance to work with a top Hollywood director.

"They're so big up there. They can replace you so easily," Kenney said. 'That's why they're so uptight. They want everything to be perfect."

Natalie Broder, a Sup Dogs server who used the \$25,000 she won during a MrBeast challenge to pay her student loans and buy music-festival tickets and

and well-regarded medical and dental schools.

In job listings, Donaldson's company tells recruits that the town is "widely recognized as the cultural, educational, economic and medical hub of Eastern North Carolina," and local developers have started calling this part of the state the "Inner Banks," riffing off the hot spot coastline of the Outer Banks.

But Greenville is flat and landlocked, its miles of soybean fields crossed with strip malls and industrial parks. People spend their whole lives here without leaving, and some folks don't quite understand why Donaldson is one of them.

"He could buy anywhere he wanted to," said Roger Peery, a cabinet builder who's lived nearby for 27 years and whose brother went to school with Donaldson's sister. "But he chooses to be here."

In 2012, Donaldson was a bored 13year-old student at the Greenville Christian Academy, a small evangelical school on the town's rural fringe, when he posted his first video to YouTube under the username "MrBeast6000": a short clip of him playing the sandbox game "Minecraft."

He soon became famous as a wildly inventive, slightly obsessive online-video mastermind, first for his hypnotically simple stunts (counting up to 100,000 over 40 straight hours) then for his dramatic spending sprees: "I Gave People \$1,000,000 But ONLY 1 Minute To Spend It!" "I Uber'd People And Let Them Keep The Car."

"Once you know how to make a video go viral, it's just about how to get as many out as possible," he told Bloomberg News in 2020. "You can practically make unlimited money."

Donaldson is now the second-most popular creator on YouTube, beaten only by India's best-known music label. Forbes estimated in September that he made \$82 million between June 2022 and June 2023.

Donaldson in recent years began parlaying his internet fame into side businesses, including MrBeast Burger, a ghost-kitchen fast-food chain delivered via Uber Eats, and Feastables, a line of cookies and chocolate bars now sold at 7-Eleven and Walmart.

He also, with less fanfare, started snapping up real estate in the neighborhood where he grew up, offering premium prices for five brick homes near a senior center and an agricultural history museum and buying them under the name of a shell company to preserve his privacy, real estate records show. His mother - who has taken an active role in at least one of his business ventures. including helping execute the MrBeast Burger endorsement deal, according to a legal filing — still lives nearby.

The home-shopping spree became a source of local gossip and envy: One four-bedroom home with a sunroom and

When Donaldson's crew first moved in, the families and retirees of the subdivision outside Greenville, with its picket fences and towering oaks, were instantly unnerved. Food-delivery cars began arriving at all hours, and star-struck young kids walked the winding streets with their smartphones out, hoping for a sighting of the YouTuber next door.

"The sightseers, or whatever they were," said Buddy Medlin, an insurance adjuster who lives on the block, "would crowd up everything."

Donaldson already had a mythical, Santa-like reputation among Greenville's grade-schoolers. At Sup Dogs, a hot dog joint where managers seat Donaldson's crew at a reserved table on the roof so they can eat in privacy, owner Bret Oliverio said children in town for a recent Little League tournament peppered the staff with questions about what Donaldson was up to lately. So had Oliverio's 6-year-old, who also was a fan.

"I told her, 'Would you want to meet him?' and she said, 'Yeah, but I'd rather be in one of the videos," he said. "That's almost like every kid's dream now: to make it big in a MrBeast video.'

Local college students were just as excited for a chance at Donaldson's legendary largesse. One worker rolling silverware at the Coffee & Spice cafe said his roommate got \$50,000 for tuition. A waitress at the China 10 restaurant won a car. "He's like a one-man lottery ticket." said Ryan Hagwood, a recent ECU graduate who once won \$1,000 by standing in a circle.

Some business owners in town have turned getting Donaldson's attention, and free publicity, into an obsession. After seeing how a mob of children crowded outside a space near her hairdresser where Donaldson's crew was MrBeast on YouTube and sometimes talk about his latest video at the dinner table.

Donaldson has shared few details about who lives in the five houses, and his publicists declined to answer questions or make him available for an interview. The gabled suburban houses, with their dormer windows and half-acre lawns, give few hints of their unconventional status; one has a giant driveway with yellow parking bumpers for seven cars.

Neighbors say the homes seem to be used mostly by his friends and employees, and MrBeast job postings say new hires can use "company-provided housing for the first 90 days." In May, after the New York Post reported on Donaldson's home deals and some jeered that he was turning Greenville into a "company town," he tweeted, "Only I could get canceled for giving people a place to live with no strings attached."

Donaldson spends most of his life at work, in a cavernous production warehouse known as Studio C. In a video tour last summer, Donaldson showed off his apartment there with a bed, a weightlifting bench and a refrigerator containing only yogurt, water and Red Bull. He told a podcast last year that he had left the studio only once in the preceding 20 days.

"All I do is wake up every day and obsess over how to make the best videos possible," Donaldson said in another interview this year. "It's the only thing that's ever really made me happy."

#### Wanted: 'Can handle STRESS'

Adam Kenney's roommate knew a Mr-Beast production manager, so when Kenney heard last year that Donaldson was casting for a big stunt, he thought he knew what to expect.

But when he arrived at Donaldson's re-creation of "Squid Game," the Netflix

Bartender Adam Kenney made \$2,000

for two days' work in the MrBeast

stunt based on "Squid Games."

Writers, one posting said, must "research trends and tactics for retention against YouTube algorithm" as well as draft lists of props, challenges, prizes and punishments. Camera operators must be "willing to get dirty, run and jump to get theme-park-style attractions as well as "excellent creative intelligence," "HUGE to "handle STRESS."

The productions are closely guarded secrets; some residents routinely drive past plots of land where Donaldson has built sets in the past, trying to divine what might come next. On one of the plots, near some manufacturing campuses on the edge of town, construction lumbered recently around three enigmatic structures encircled with "No Trespassing" signs. One of the structures later appeared in a video in which Donaldson creates the "world's most dangerous

His company has posted for a \$25-anhour summer intern on the accounting team to help manage the company's debit card, which it said makes 1,600 to 2,500 transactions a month. For contract labor, "task force" members are hired at \$15 an hour for on-call work assembling props and cleaning up messes after extensive shoots.

In the postings, the company says it



the best shot." One posting, for set construction designers, said applicants must have four years of experience designing time management skills" and the ability

workers in trucks and heavy machinery trap."



specializes in the "foundational pillars of viral content" and offers recruits unspecified "competitive" salaries, health insurance coverage, company-matched 401(k) plans and relocation expenses. Employees, the postings said, have the opportunity to work "endlessly to create the best



Bret Oliverio owns Greenville hot dog joint Sup Dogs. Many of his workers have been in MrBeast productions.



Sup Dogs server Natalie Broder used the \$25,000 she won during a MrBeast challenge to pay her student loans.

an espresso machine, said she remembers the crew saying before her segment that they were in the 19th hour of a 28-hour filming day.

"I don't think it's for the faint of heart," she said. "But, I mean, you're working with the number one YouTuber. You have to understand his drive."

#### 'Blow things up'

A job with MrBeast is very different from a job with one of Greenville's other major employers: Thermo Fisher Scientific (laboratory instruments), Catalent (pharmaceuticals), Hyster-Yale (forklifts) and Grady-White (fishing boats).

To find talent, Donaldson partnered last year with ECU to create a training program for people who want to work in the creator industry, which ECU called "an emerging leader of the global economy." The program will feature courses in "critical technical and creative aspects of producing content for YouTube," though its start date has yet to be finalized, said Sharon Paynter, the university's acting chief research and engagement officer.

Paynter said the course – which will allow students to earn a certified "microcredential" - is "aimed at training entrylevel workers to be successful contributors to creator companies on Day 1." She cited an industry market analysis that said entry-level jobs in the creator business start at around \$50,000 a year.

"Every YouTuber is hiring people, and they're spending like six months to a year training them. Whereas with this course, people can come out of the gate and already know the fundamentals," Donaldson said last year in an announcement video with the university's chancellor. "When they graduate, they can take 10 steps down the road and come get a job."

Josh Lewis, the president of a local economic development group, the Greenville Eastern North Carolina Alliance, said MrBeast has expanded Greenville's financial footprint: More viral videos means more local jobs, inbound flights, hotel stays, construction work, retail spending and tax revenue.

Lewis said his group is actively working to "grow the cluster" of local creators by touting proximity to MrBeast, as well as the budding local infrastructure.

"The vast majority of folks we talk to want to understand how they can scale this into a profitable venture where they can make a living," he said. "We can help remove the luck factor out of the next generation of content creators by creating the ecosystem in which they can thrive."

As for MrBeast, he said he's become an avid viewer, if only to stay in the loop "in case there's anything wild going on."

"As we've seen in many of his videos," Lewis said, "they like to blow things up sometimes.

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### The benefits and perks that matter most to employees

#### By Bob Helbig

Employee benefits offer essential, long-term support to employees. Designed to keep employees happy and healthy, employers also use these advantages to stay competitive in the job market. Employee perks are additional, non-essential incentives to boost morale and company culture.

Here's a look at the best of both:

#### **Best Employee Benefits**

**Health insurance:** Companies want theiremployees to be healthy. At a minimum, health insurance options should include overall health, dental and vision coverage.

**Paid time off:** The more time off you give your employees, the more focused they will be when they're back on the clock. Paid time off includes mental health, sick, personal and vacation days—all necessary for employee well-being and sustained performance.

**Family leave:** Family leave benefits attract top talent and keep them around for longer. Not only does family leave assistance help caretakers maintain work-life flexibility, it improves employee loyalty.



**Retirement planning:** Retirement planning and financial security promote peace of mind and employee well-being. It also provides a competitive edge for recruitment and retention.

**Life insurance:** Life insurance provides protection and security for employees' families in the event of a death. This offers additional peace of mind.

**Company equity:** Company equity gives workers a sense of ownership. Offering company equity also is a great way to attract hungry top talent.

**Family planning:** Employees want the space to grow their families without judgment or question. It's vital to offer comprehensive family planning services.

**Mental health assistance:** Employees who feel better boost the morale and well-being levels of others. Mental health assistance also improves productivity and reduces absenteeism.

#### **Best Company Perks**

**Tuition reimbursement:** Tuition reimbursement and student loan assistance reduce stress for employees. They also encourage continued learning while eliminating financial burdens.

**Remote work and flexible schedules:** Most companies offer remote work options and flexible work hours to help employees keep a healthy work-life balance.

**Training and development:** Don't you want to know your employer wants to invest in your career development? This excitement promotes engagement, satisfaction and retention. Plus, it's a great way for businesses to grow, as well.

**Employee recognition:** Whether it's awards, certificates, verbal praise, written notes or public appreciation—the benefits of employee recognition



include higher morale and motivation. People who feel appreciated want to keep up their energy, and people watching want to earn recognition, too.

**Childcare assistance:** Offering complimentary childcare and reimbursements for childcare fees help parents stay engaged and productive. This perk also alleviates emotional and financial stress.

Wellness programs: Wellness programs keep employees energized and focused, and they also increase the value of employee health insurance. Perks such as gym memberships, standing desks, wellness retreats, meditation programs and massages keep your workforce healthy, saving money in the long run. Plus, wellness programs reduce absenteeism, illnesses and even burnout.

**Complimentary lunch:** It's the perfect opportunity to share a meal as a team or show employee appreciation. If your employees work in person, set aside time to go out to lunch and get to know each other. If your employees are remote, send stipends for food delivery services.

**Home office budget:** As remote work is becoming more prevalent, it's helpful (and often more cost-effective) to offer the same supplies and tools that in-office employees enjoy but at home. Even a small budget helps remote employees stay productive and satisfied.

**Discounts and rewards:** This perk helps employers promote a specific workplace culture and lifestyle outside work. Offer rewards to support passions and offset living expenses.

**Bonuses:** They are a great way to show appreciation and incentivize motivation. Something extra can alleviate financial stress at home when provided alongside other comprehensive employee perks and benefits.

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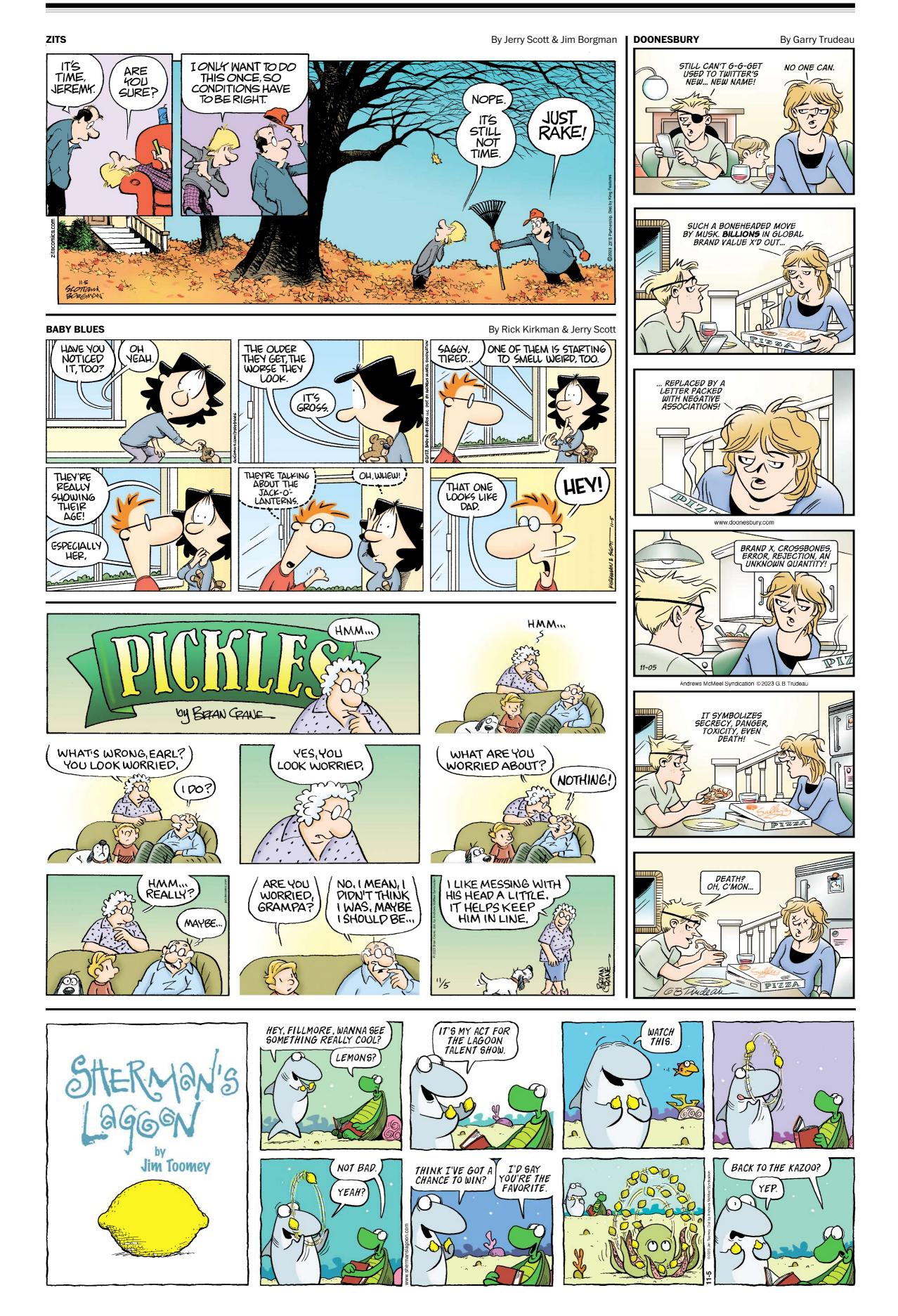
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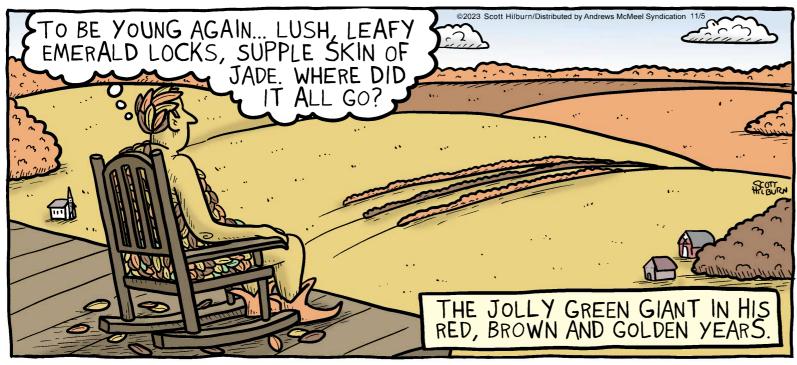


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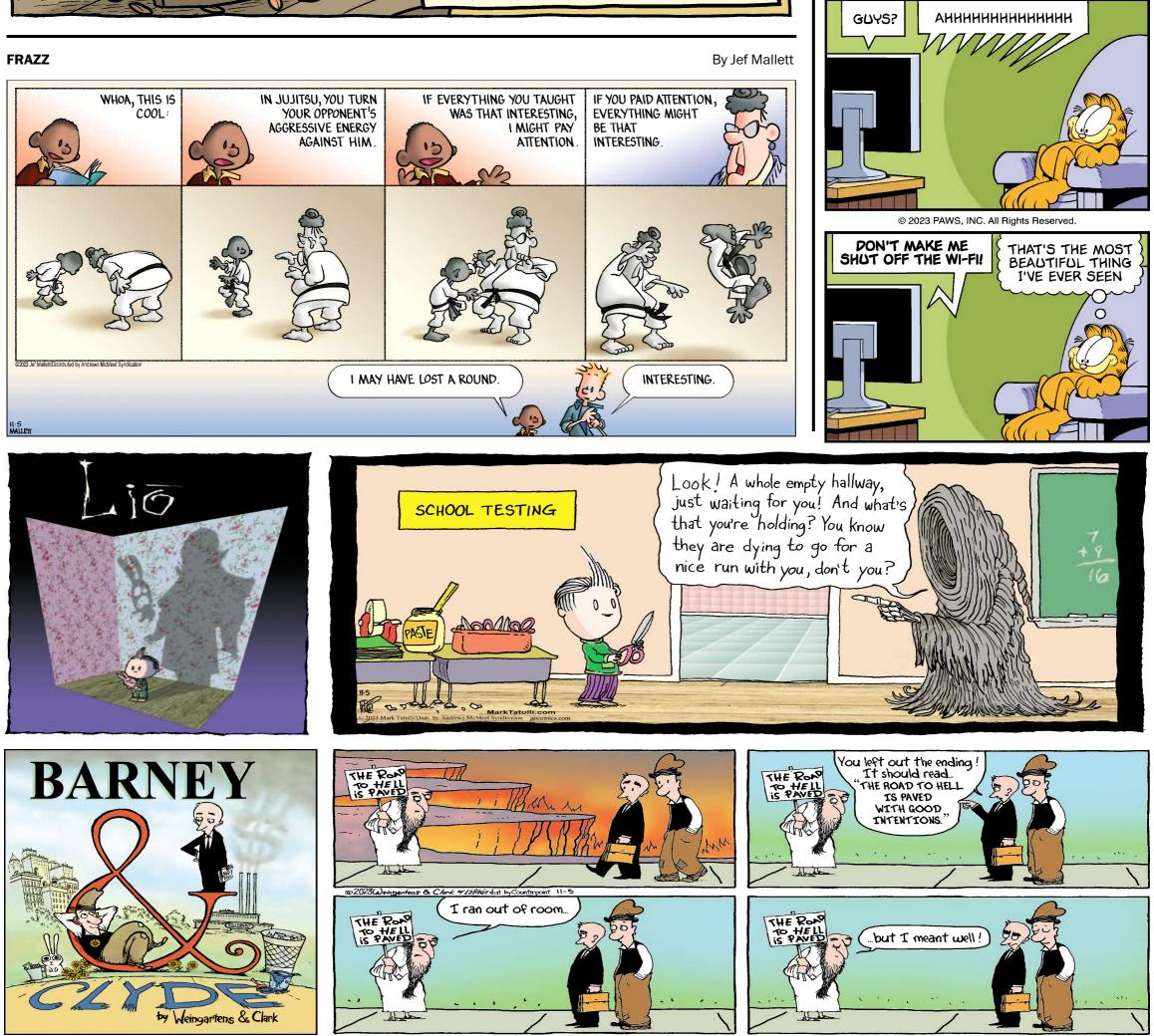


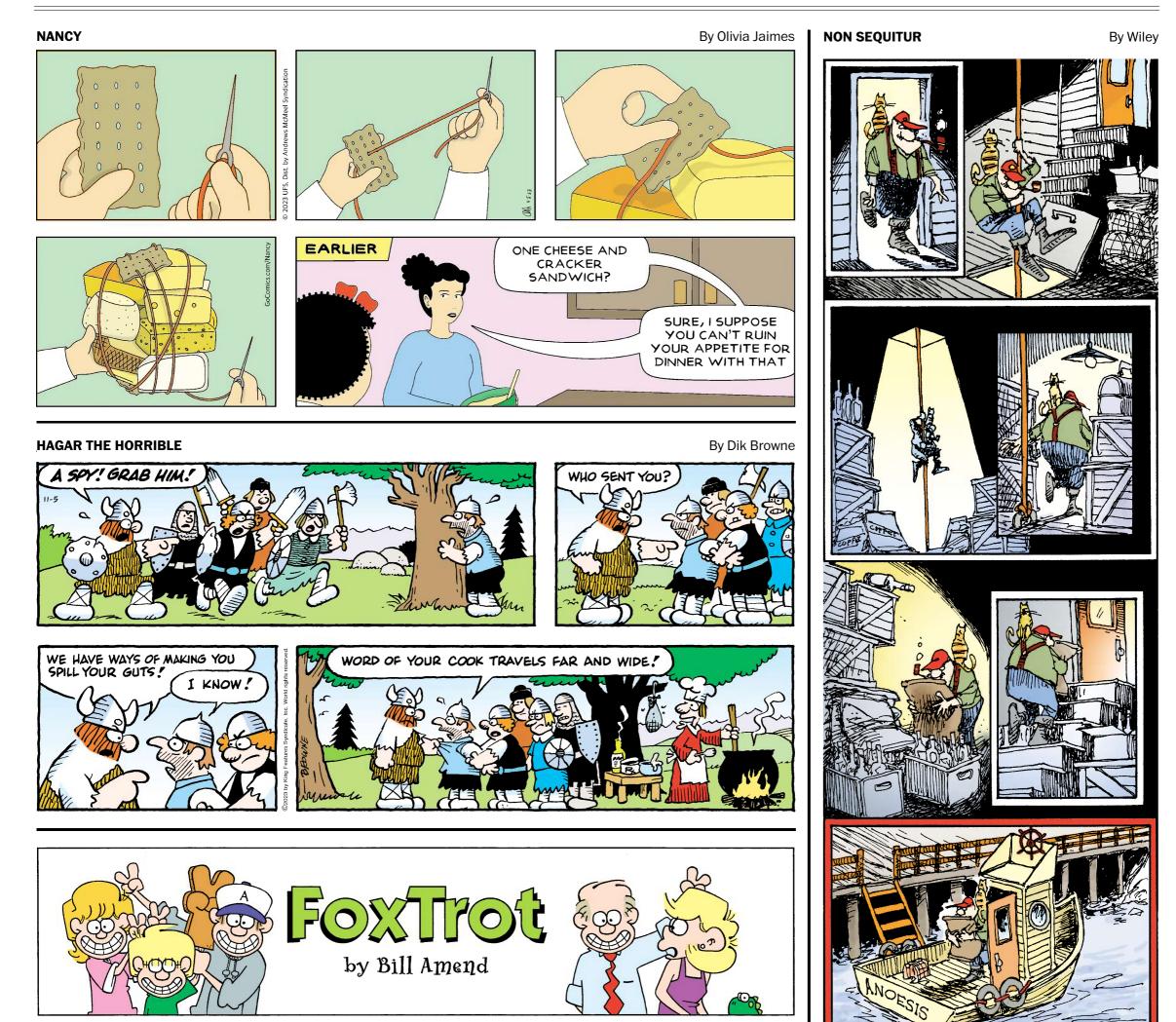


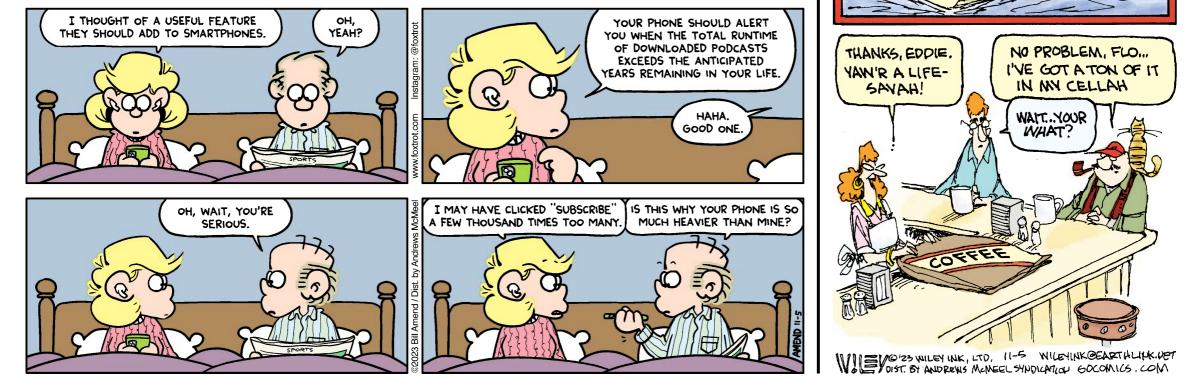






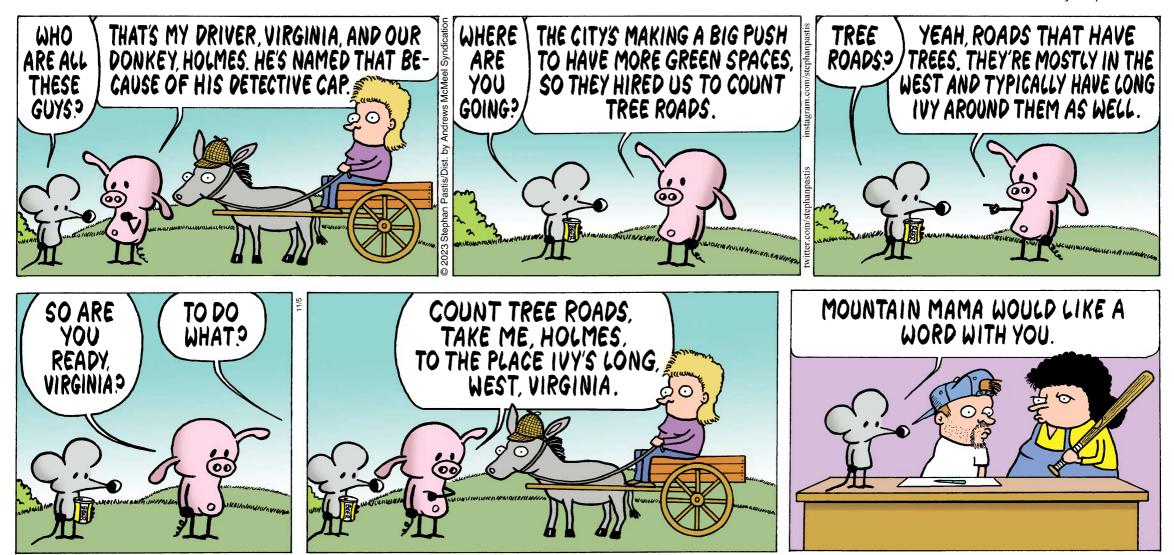




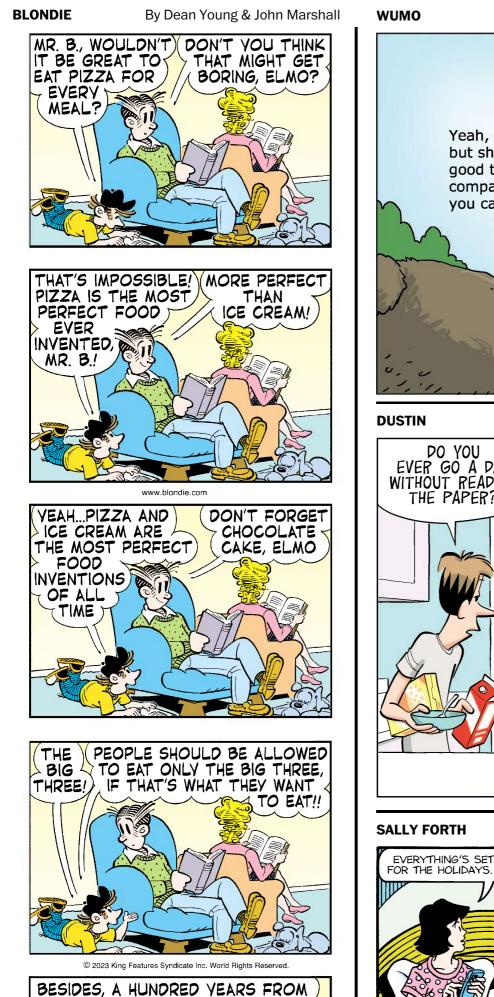


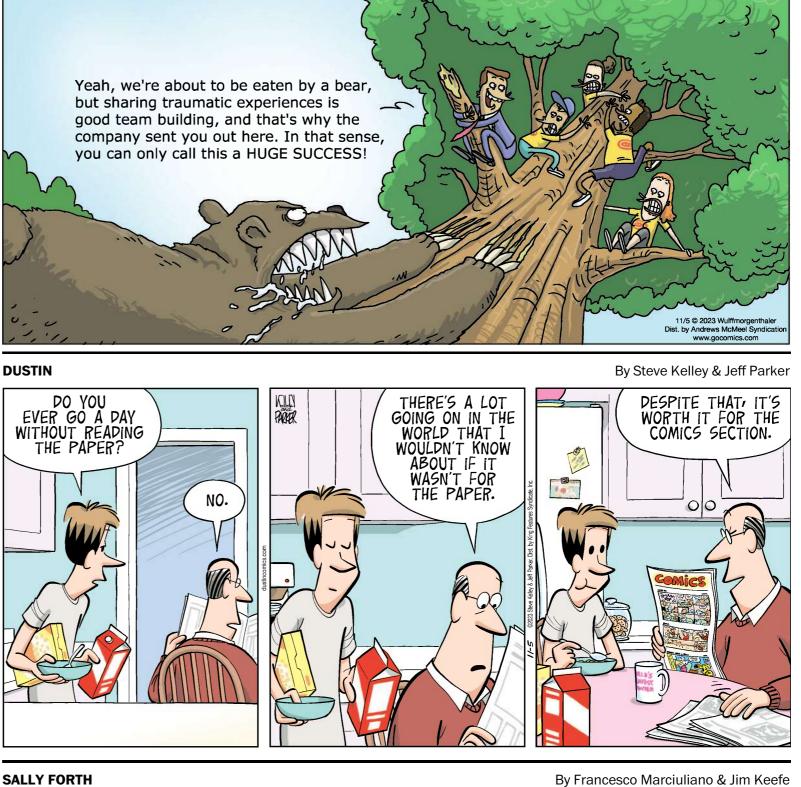
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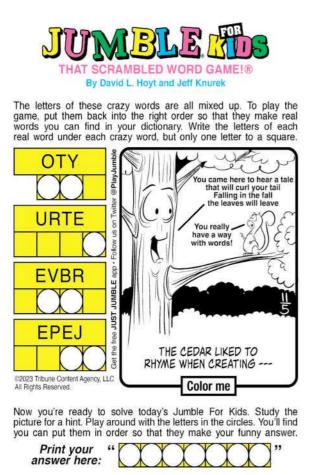
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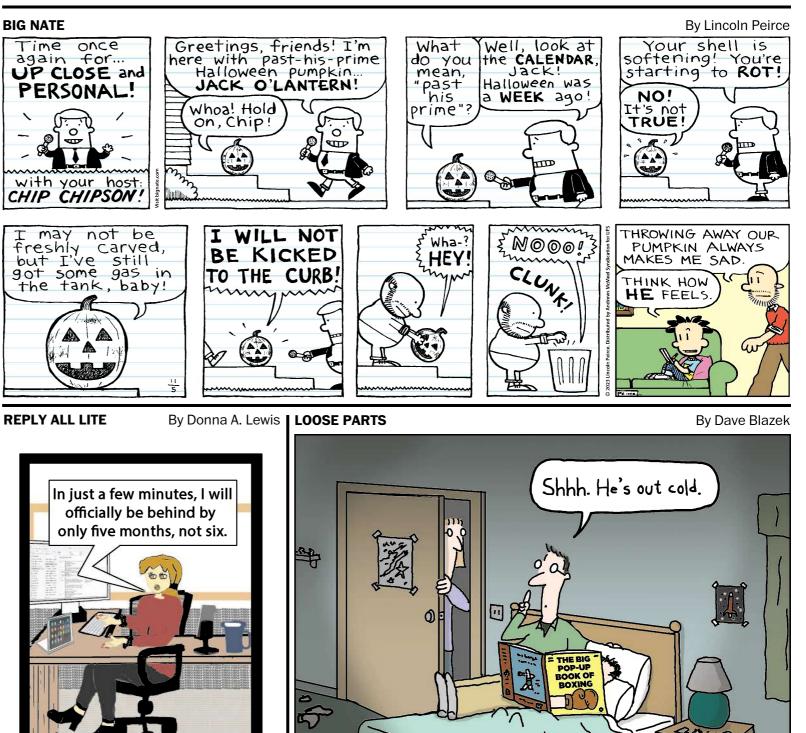
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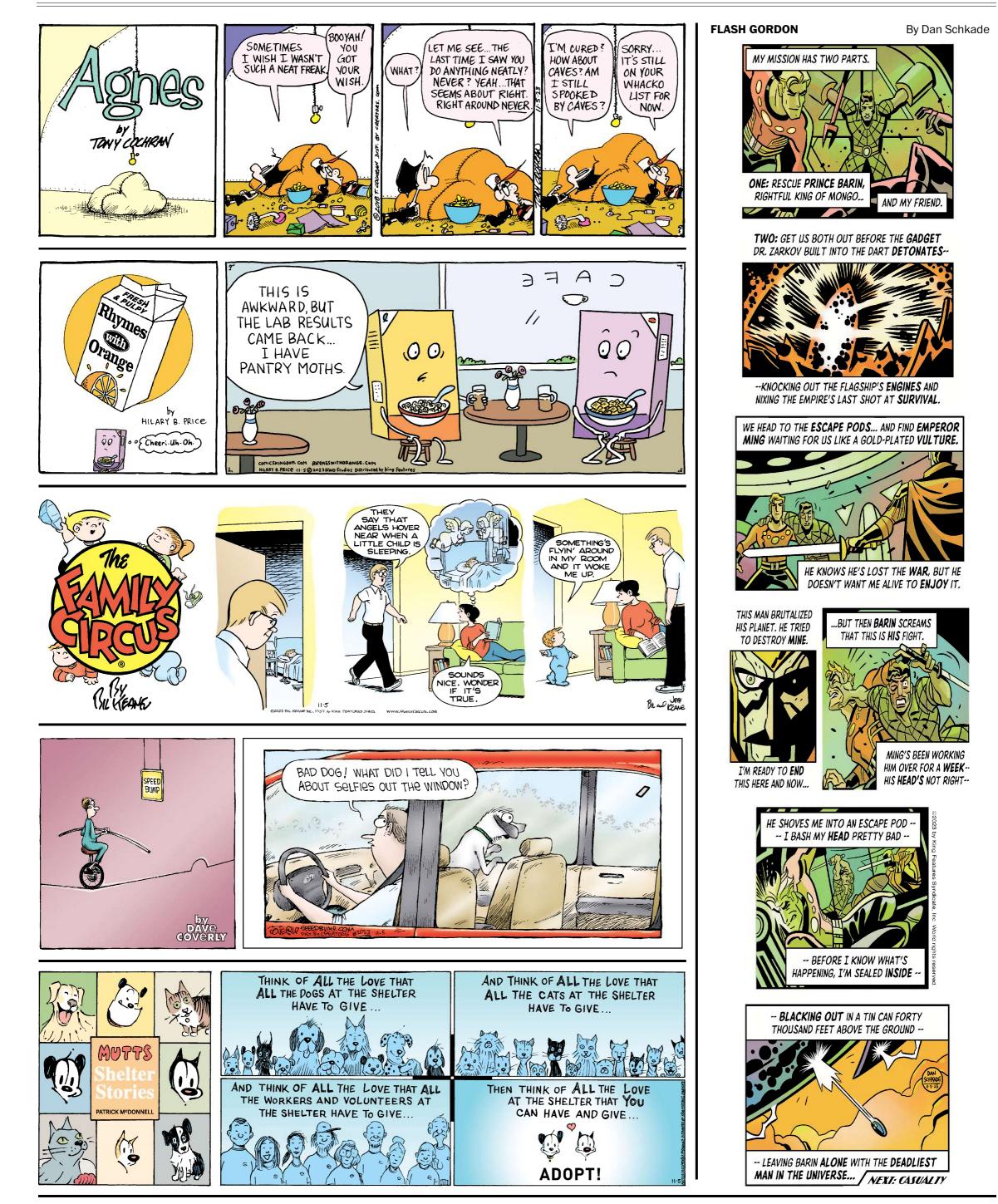






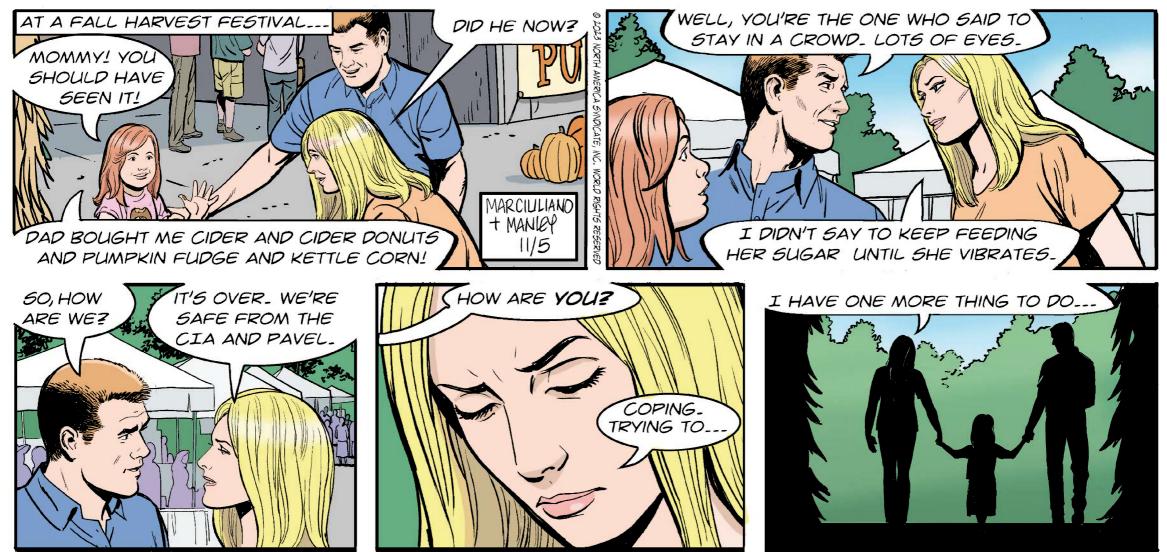
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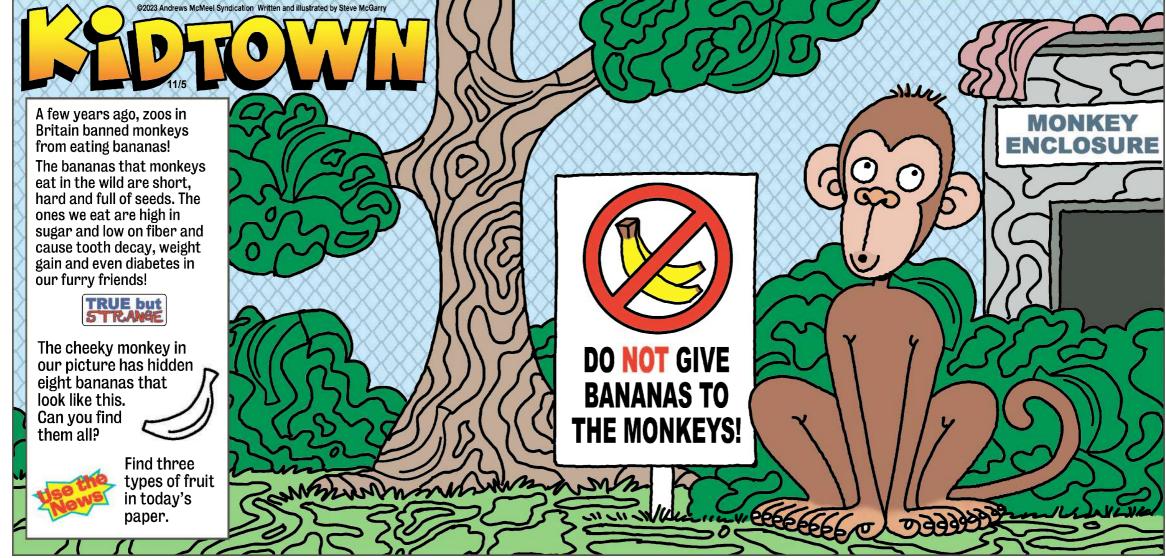
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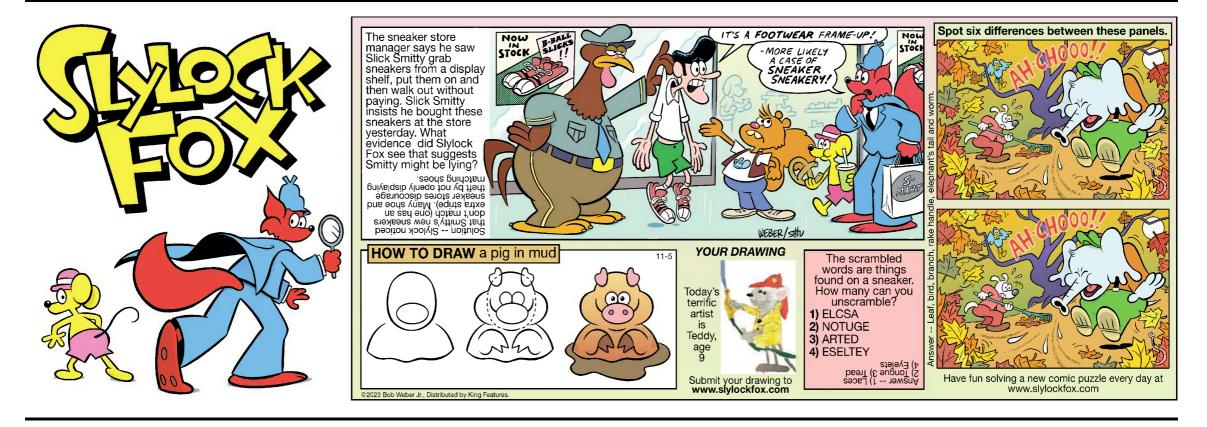


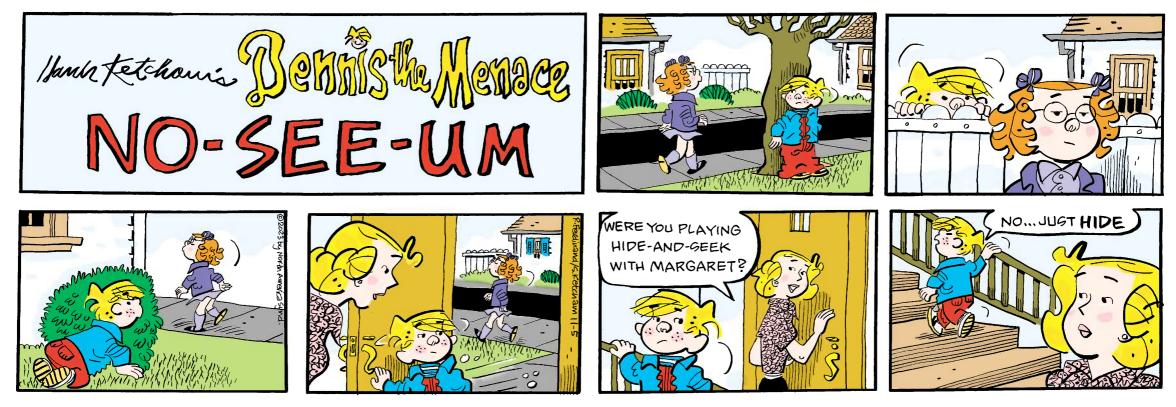


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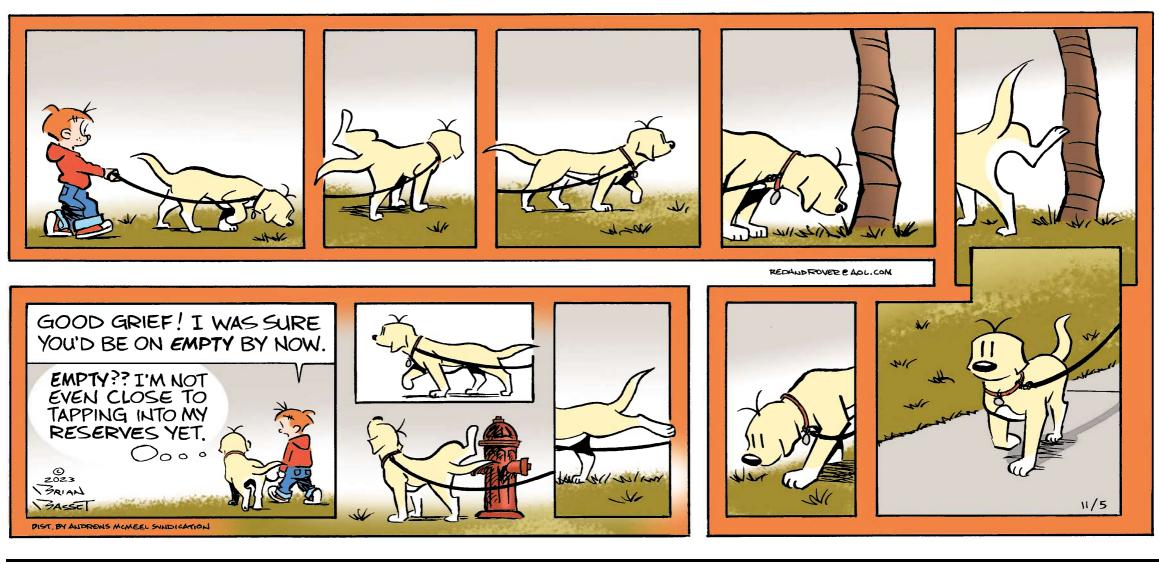


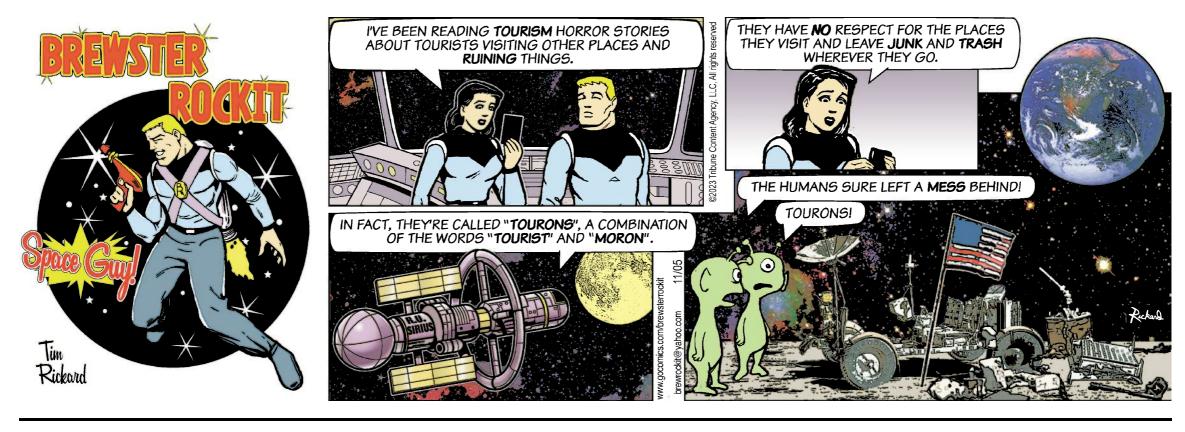


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By Brian Basset









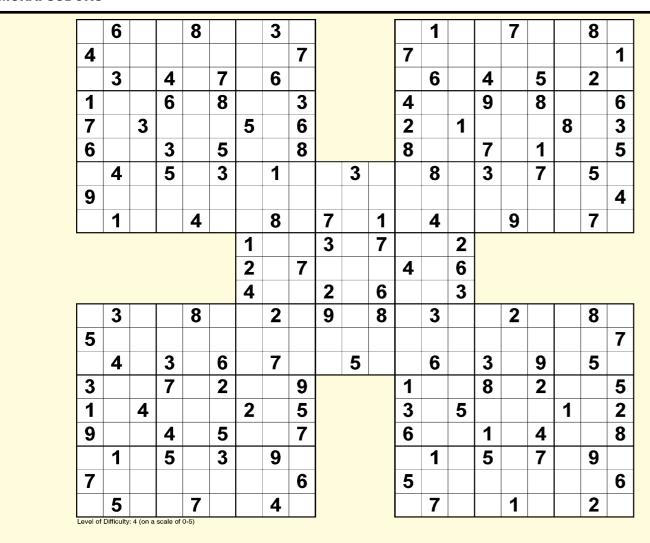
By Randy Milholland

#### POPEYE

SEE YOU OH! CAN YOU COME OVER WHAT? NO! I WOULD IT'S A LOTTA CHORES. DAD, I KNOW WHAT SURE! I'LL COME LATER, DAD. TUESDAY? I NEED HELP NEVER TRY THAT ... OLIVE. I MIGHT NEED YA BY AFTER I VOTE. YOU'RE UP TO! I'M GOING A NINTH TIME. AROUND THE HOUSE. ALL DAY LONG. TO VOTE! ET I WOULDN'T HAVE YOU'RE BEING COLE, YOU'VE I'LL BE OVER TUESDAY-BLAST IT ALL! THAT'S WHAT MY REMEMBER OUR VOWS? TO IF OLIVE VOTED SILLY. OLIVE ISN'T AFTER I VOTE. GOTTA STOP VOTE DOES. "FOR BETTER OR FOR THE WAY I DO! CANCELING OUT THAT. WORSE"? YOUR VOTE. SHE'S CANCELING MY VOTE, NANA! I KNOW YOUR OPINIONS. I'VE GOT "FOR WORSE" DOWN PAT.

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#### SAMURAI SUDOKU



By Charles Schulz

How to Play

The rules of Samurai Sudoku are the same as in the popular

Sudoku puzzles that appear in the daily comics section. As with standard Sudoku, the Samurai version requires no math, just logic, reasoning ... and an iron will. The goal is to fill in each column, row and 3X3 box with the digits 1 through 9 without repeating any. The twist in Samurai Sudoku is that the digits that appear in the overlapping boxes must work for both puzzles. A piece of advice to get you started: Don't focus completely on

A piece of advice to get you started: Don't focus completely on one grid at a time. Keep the whole puzzle in mind as you go, because filling in a number in one grid could give you clues to another. What's important to understand is this: Each Samurai puzzle is ONE puzzle, not five separate Sudoku puzzles that just overlap each other. Occasionally people claim that, for example, the "bottom right" 9X9 puzzle had more than one solution. Well, yes it may, but the entire puzzle can be solved in only one way. Never resort to guessing! For more tins, go to http://www.diape.pet/sudoku/wp/2p=144 more tips, go to http://www.djape.net/sudoku/wp/?p=144.

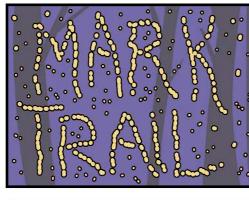
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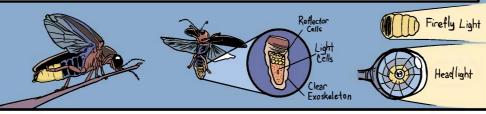
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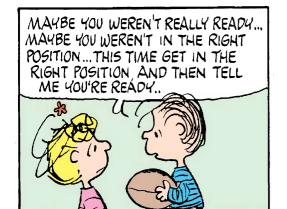
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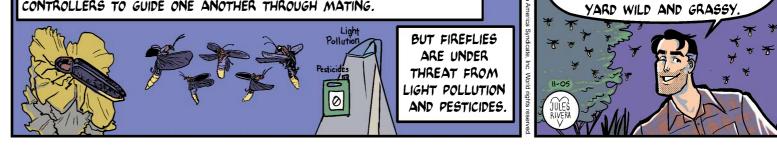


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### DeSantis backslides in bid for both sides

Fla. governor struggles to sway Trump base and moderate Republicans

#### BY HANNAH KNOWLES

BEDFORD, N.H. — Some moderate Republican voters here recoiled at ads that Ron DeSantis's allies started running weeks ago broadcasting the Florida governor's vows to use deadly force at the southern border.

"I don't like the fact that we're going to start murdering people," said Becki Kuhns, 71, who is eager for an alternative to Donald Trump and brought up the commercials unprompted.

Down the road at a cigar bar in Nashua, where regulars talk politics and watch debates together, a different DeSantis problem came



into focus: Trump supporters were unmoved by DeSantis's pitch that he would deliver the former president's agenda more

effectively. The people he's targeting "belong to Trump," said Howard Ray, 43, who went to a DeSantis event but wasn't persuaded. "He comes across kind of hard right."

He added: "Those types of people are in Trump's camp, and they're not moving."

DeSantis began the year widely viewed as the Republican with the best chance to build a winning coalition against the former president — the Trump alternative



#### **BY CHICO HARLAN** IN CHOTYIEL, SOUTH SUDAN

It was 1 p.m., her children still hadn't eaten, and every item on Nyaguey Dak Kieth's "long to-do list" pertained to surviving another day. So Nyaguey grabbed a plastic bucket and an empty sack and set off from her village surrounded by floodwater. Those waters had upended her life, but also provided a food option — not a desirable one, but one of the few left.

Water lilies. They'd been keeping her family alive for two years.

They were bitter. Hard to digest. They required hours of manual labor — cutting, pounding, drying, sifting — just to be made edible. Nyaguey could still re-

### In South Sudan, a climate crisis deepens misery

Years into disastrous flooding, people are eating the unthinkable

Nyaguey Dak Kieth wades through the water dragging a bag of lily bulbs, now vital sustenance in her flood-choked village. member her initial shock at eating them, figuring they'd be a shortterm measure. And now, with the floodwaters holding their ground, she could trace a two-year arc of distress in what the lilies had become: sustenance so vital that people were slogging farther and farther into the waters to find them, before someone else did.

"I can see some lilies here," another woman told Nyaguey after a group of four had walked 20 minutes out of town, reaching the edge of the waters.

"Not enough," Nyaguey said, and the group kept moving. "It looks like somebody already collected most of these."

Climate disasters are often perceived as finite events — with an SEE SOUTH SUDAN ON A22

### Many Gazans remain on front

#### 400,000 COULD BE IN NORTH, U.S. SAYS

Israel presses forward as war nears 1-month mark

#### by Michael Birnbaum, William Booth and Loveday Morris

AMMAN, JORDAN — Facing heavy bombardment and warned by Israel to evacuate immediately, as many as 400,000 people remain in northern Gaza as Israeli tanks and ground troops press forward seeking to smash Hamas strongholds and free hostages, U.S. officials said Saturday.

Another 800,000 to 1 million residents have fled to southern areas of Gaza but still face intense Israeli bombardment as the war nears its one-month mark.

For a three-hour window Saturday, Israel offered passage for people in Gaza to move south on the Salah al-Din road, the main passable highway running nearly the length of the 25-mile Gaza Strip.

The Israeli military now refers to southern Gaza as a "safer zone" vs. calling it a safe zone. Heavy bombardment still occurs in the south - and many Gazans say they feel nowhere offers a haven from the attacks and invasion.

The Gaza Health Ministry estimated on Saturday that 2,200 people, including 1,250 children, are buried under the rubble of destroyed buildings in Gaza. Overall, the health officials say, more than 9,400 people have been killed, many of them women and children.

who could entice Trump critics yet was also in many ways a continuation of Trump's "America First" platform. But DeSantis's support has shrunk dramatically since then, eroding on both ends of the party spectrum, interviews SEE **DESANTIS** ON **A8** 

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**lowa:** Trump camp hopes for win as others jockey for second. **A14** 

### Soaring bills fuel effort to oust electric companies

#### BY EVAN HALPER

SACO, MAINE — Last December, Ellen McCurley was settling into a calm new life, savoring sunsets from the porch of a modest riverfront home with her dogs Sadie and Maisie, when a notice from the electric company turned it all upside down.

It was a nearly \$1,000 bill from Central Maine Power, more than quadruple what she paid the Maine voters will decide on replacing for-profit firms with public utility

month before. And the bills kept soaring, topping out at \$1,200 by the end of March. She was sure it was a mistake but couldn't get the company to reduce the charges. "I would call them and say: "This is not possible. Can you help me solve this?"" recalled the 64year-old social worker, who shared copies of her bills with The Washington Post. "I felt like I was going crazy."

So McCurley began working to drive her power company out of business, joining a burgeoning national movement of consumers frustrated with power companies that they feel are unaccountable to ratepayers, and that have taken center stage in disasters such as this summer's devastating wildfires in Maui.

The epicenter of the resistance is in Maine, where voters — who have wrangled with outages, billing mishaps and some of the highest electricity prices in the country — are joining a campaign to replace the state's investorowned electric companies with a SEE MAINE ON A16 The Biden administration is pushing Israel for brief "humanitarian pauses" in the fighting — to allow aid in and people out — and to significantly expand the amount of supplies flowing into Gaza, the U.S. special envoy for SEE GAZA ON A21

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**D.C. protest:** Thousands attend rally to demand a cease-fire. **C1** 

### He had a stroke at a gas station, then lost nearly everything

Many seniors are one medical emergency from a court-appointed guardian taking control of their lives

#### **BY MARY JORDAN** IN ORLANDO

When Douglas Hulse pulled his Ford Mustang convertible into a Florida gas station three years ago, he looked so distressed that someone called 911.

An ambulance rushed him to Orlando Health South Seminole Hospital, where doctors said he had a stroke. At 80, the retired pilot who had flown famous passengers around the country could no longer care for himself.

But Hulse lived alone — as 3 out of 5 Americans in their 80s do.

A hospital can be liable if a patient is discharged into an unsafe environment. Because Hulse lived alone and the hospital officials saw no sign that he had family, that put them in a bind when his health didn't improve. So they argued in court that he was no longer capable of making his own decisions and needed a guardian — a caretaker with enormous legal power.

SEE GUARDIANSHIP ON A12



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A 2021 photo of Douglas Hulse on his niece's phone. The retired pilot was put in a guardianship in Florida and moved into a nursing home without anyone telling his family in Pennsylvania.

### As media reaches a tipping point, content creators surge

Nontraditional sources draw larger audiences than legacy outlets

#### **by Taylor Lorenz**

Ameer Al-Khatahtbeh graduated in 2020 with a degree in journalism from Rutgers University. But instead of going to work in a traditional newsroom, he decided to build his own digital news brand catering to the Muslim community.

Four years later, Al-Khatahtbeh, 25, has amassed more than 2 million followers on TikTok and more than 5.3 million on Instagram, where posts to his account, @Muslim, range from features on halal dating apps to the latest news from the Israel-Gaza war.

The young Palestinian-Jordanian entrepreneur is one of millions of independent creators re-

shaping how people get their news, especially the youngest viewers. News consumption hit a tipping point around the globe during the early days of the coronavirus pandemic, with more people turning to social media platforms such as TikTok, YouTube and Instagram than to websites maintained by traditional news outlets, according to the latest Digital News Report by the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism. One in 5 adults under 24 use TikTok as a source for news, the report said, up five percentage points from last year. According to Britain's Office of Communications, young adults in the United Kingdom now spend more time watching TikTok than broadcast television.

This shift has been driven in part by a desire for "more accessible, SEE **CREATORS** ON **A10** 

Creator economy: Online content has become big business. **G1** 

MrBeast: A YouTube legend thrives in a sleepy North Carolina town. **G1** 



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Two Ukrainian brothers parted by death mirror a full nation's grief. A20



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