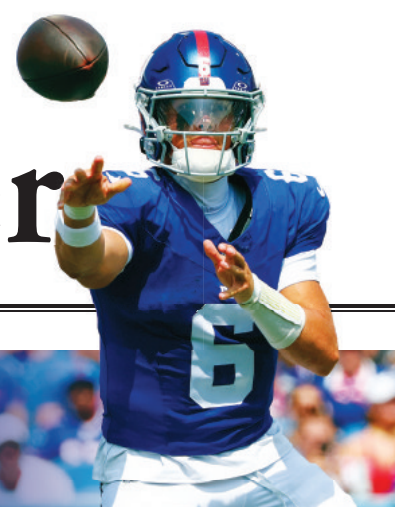
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TROUBLING TREND

Fire crews called to nighttime blaze at Ogden apartment building still under construction



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The aftermath of a fire that took place at an apartment building construction site located on the 100 block of 18th Street in Ogden, photographed Saturday.

BY RYAN ASTON
Standard-Examiner

OGDEN — In what has become a recent trend in the Ogden area, an apartment building that was still under construction caught fire Friday night, prompting a response from multiple agencies.

According to Ogden City Fire Chief Mike Slater, fire crews were dispatched to the 100 block of 18th Street just before midnight amid reports of a fire at the three-story apartment building-in-progress located at the site. Upon arrival, crews "surrounded the structure with fire engines and went defensive on the fire," per Slater, who added that firefighters protected exposures as the building burned.

Slater described the building as a "complete loss" during a press conference on Saturday morning, noting that there was approximately $3 million in damages to the structure alone.

Crews remained on the scene throughout the night and into the morning. No injuries were reported as a result of the fire. Slater said firefighters were rotated to ensure they remained hydrated and to prevent exhaustion.

An investigation of the incident and its cause is ongoing and is being assisted by the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Slater indicated that the investigation would continue for at least the next several days.

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Environmental group sues to stop the large mining project on Sevier Lake

BY KYLE DUNPHEY
Utah News Dispatch

An environmental group is suing the Bureau of Land Management over the agency's approval of a mining project in Utah's West Desert.

It's the latest development in several years of litigation and back-and-forth over the Sevier Playa Potash Project, which would give Peak Minerals 124,000-acres of mineral rights. The proposal was originally approved by the Bureau of Land Management, or BLM, in 2019.

Potash is a trade name for minerals with potassium used in fertilizer, but also used to manufacture other products like soap, glass and synthetic rubber. It's often found in the brines of terminal basin lakes, like the Sevier Lake, a mostly dry lakebed in Millard County.

The project was initially approved under the first Trump administration in 2019, but in 2023 the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance sued to stop it, arguing the BLM did not analyze all the environmental impacts and failed to consider alternatives that would be less environmentally disruptive.

The BLM and SUWA then moved to jointly dismiss the lawsuit, after Peak Minerals submitted a revised mining plan. But the case was dismissed without prejudice, meaning SUWA could re-file its complaint.

In June, the BLM approved Peak Minerals' new plan — and on Thursday, SUWA filed a lawsuit in federal court, arguing the approval did not consider all environmental harms, including impacts to groundwater, migratory birds, air quality and dark night skies. The group is also alleging the BLM violated federal law when it authorized the project through a Determination of NEPA Adequacy,

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As electric bills rise, evidence mounts that data centers share blame

States are feeling pressure to act

BY MARC LEVY
Associated Press

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Amid rising electric bills, states are under pressure to insulate regular household and business ratepayers from the costs of feeding Big Tech's energy-hungry data centers.

It's not clear that any state has a solution and the actual effect of data centers on electricity bills is difficult to pin down. Some critics question whether states have the spine to take a hard line against tech behemoths like Microsoft, Google, Amazon and Meta.

But more than a dozen states have begun taking steps as data centers drive a rapid build-out of power plants and transmission lines.

That has meant pressuring the nation's biggest power grid operator to clamp down on price increases, studying the effect of data centers on electricity bills or pushing data center owners to pay a larger share of local transmission costs.

Rising power bills are "something legislators have been hearing a lot about. It's something we've been hearing a lot about. More people are speaking out at the public utility commission in the past year than I've ever seen before," said Charlotte Shuff of the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board, a consumer advocacy group. "There's a massive outcry."

Not the typical electric customer

Some data centers could require more electricity than cities the size of Pittsburgh, Cleveland or New Orleans, and make huge factories look tiny by comparison. That's pushing policymakers to rethink a system that, historically, has spread transmission costs among classes of consumers that are proportional to electricity use.

"A lot of this infrastructure, billions of dollars of it, is being built just for a few customers and a few facilities and these happen to be the wealthiest companies in the world," said Ari Peskoe, who directs the Electricity Law Initiative at Harvard University.

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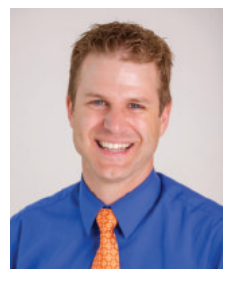
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Square Watermelons

By JORDAN BIGLER
Owner - Pure Hearing

I know you've heard the expression "don't try to put a square peg in a round hole," but I bet you've never heard of a square watermelon. In a world where watermelons were square, wouldn't round holes be square as well? Of course, I'm talking about possibly the world's largest and most successful computer game, and a blockbuster movie, Minecraft. At a time when everyone was racing to come up with more and more realistic-looking characters and worlds, Minecraft did the exact opposite. Everything was square, basic, and straightforward. The game would load fast. It didn't have a lot of rules, and there weren't clear objectives. The power of the game came from the imaginations of everyone who was playing. Give them basic shapes, a clean map, and let them create anything they could imagine (as long as it was square). So, what lesson can we learn from square watermelons? The message is clear: think outside the box (pun intended). Just because everyone else is doing something doesn't mean we have to follow them. Stick with what we are passionate about, go against the grain, and don't be afraid to be different. In the long run, the world is a more fun, exciting place when we all unleash our imagination and aren't afraid to share it. Speaking of not being frightened, if you've got hearing loss, we've got your back. We have been chosen "Best in Northern Utah" for multiple years in a row. Come find out why!



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GUEST COMMENTARY

Learning from America's immigrant past



Michael Barone
National columnist

When debating current issues, it's helpful to avoid inaccurate depictions of past policy, especially on immigration, in which both opponents and advocates of President Donald Trump's policies have views based on not altogether accurate renditions of the past.

Many opponents of Trump's policies seem to believe the president wants to cut off legal immigration altogether, to shut America's gates. But in recent times, around 800,000 individuals have taken the oath to become American citizens. In addition, about one million people have been granted green cards each year, making them eligible for citizenship. That's not a closed gate.

You may argue that we should open the gate wider. I'm inclined to take that view, with the proviso that we reduce the number of extended family members eligible and increase the number of skill-based slots.

You may also argue, as some Trump backers do, that we should reduce legal immigration, with some even calling for cutting it down to zero. But I'm not aware that there's any realistic prospect for drastic reductions even with a Republican-controlled Congress. Current debate revolves around how, or if, to enforce the law against those not legally here.

One error made by critics on both sides is to say that the United States, until the passage of the restrictive Immigration Act of 1924, had open borders. And that the bulk of immigrants in those years were, in the words of the Emma Lazarus poem inscribed in the base of the Statue of Liberty, "your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore."

Lazarus' poem was published posthumously. It was an earnest attempt by an affluent New Yorker to seek tolerance for her fellow Jews and for other immigrants that accounted for the vast and apparently unanticipated flow of immigration in the years after the dedication of the Statue of Liberty in 1886 and the opening of the Ellis Island screening station in 1892.

But as Vincent Cannato points out in "American Passage," his definitive history of Ellis Island, America had never had unrestricted immigration even before the federal government took over the function from inspecting states in the 19th century.

State and then federal authorities inspected arrivals for infectious disease, particularly tuberculosis, and for being unable to be self-supporting — in the language of the day, "likely to become public charges." After Ellis Island opened in 1892, Cannato writes, "Congress's list of reasons immigrants could be excluded at the nation's gates (grew) longer as the years passed." Policy became marginally more restrictive even before 1924.

Even so, the vast majority of those arriving were admitted. The main reason: The steamship companies refused to carry those who couldn't afford steerage fares and refused to board those who appeared likely to be rejected on arrival, because rejectees would have to be returned to their home port free of charge. (The same principle obtains today. Airline gate agents demand to see your passport and visa before allowing you on a flight to destinations requiring visas.)

How this worked out in practice is depicted vividly in Steven Ujifusa's recently published "The Last Ships from Hamburg: Business, Rivalry, and the Race to Save Russia's Jews on the Eve of World War I," which tells the story of Albert Ballin, himself Jewish, who rose to become managing director of the Hamburg-American Line and became a friend of Kaiser Wilhelm II.

Under Ballin's leadership, the company set up an inspection station of its own in Brest, on the western border of Czarist Russia, even as that regime was sanctioning violent pogroms against Jews. Those who passed Hamburg-American's standards were sent by rail to the busy port of Hamburg and then to New York.

Jews were just part of the flow of immigrants from the multiethnic Russian, German and Austro-Hungarian empires in the Ellis Island era from 1892 to 1914. Interestingly, that flow included relatively few ethnic Russians, Germans, Austrians and Hungarians but vast numbers of people who, in an era of rising nationalist sentiment, were from minority ethnic groups — Poles, Czechs, Slovaks, Slovenes, Serbs and Croats.

One of the things that attracted these second-caste people to America was the civic equality it promised and largely practiced, at least in the North (almost no immigrants settled in the racially segregated South). These were people, it turned out, who were eager to work and ready to learn English, who sought not to undermine American culture but adapt to it and to participate in America's sometimes rough-and-ready civic politics.

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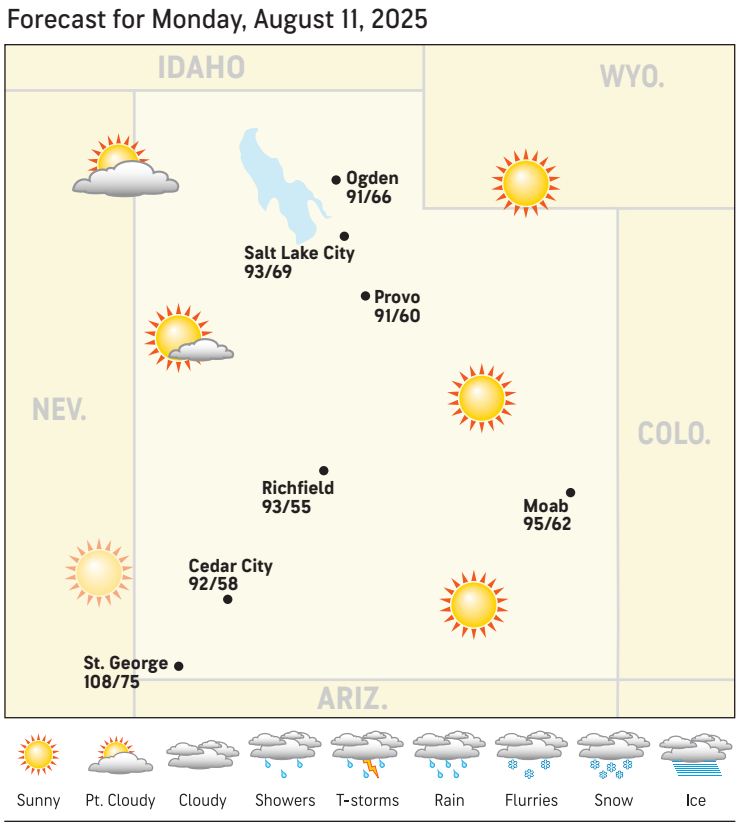
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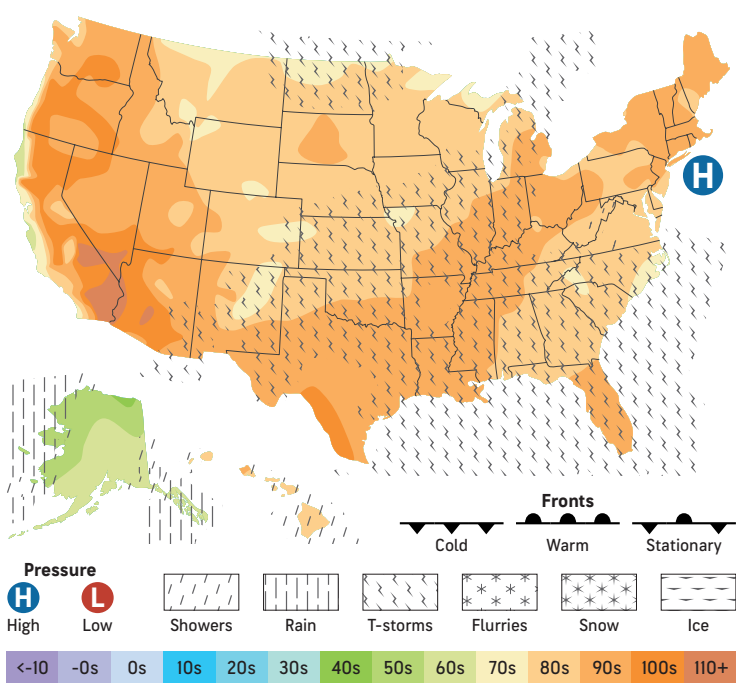


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A lone bouquet sits outside a CVS pharmacy on Saturday near where police say a man was shooting at the headquarters of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

CDC shooter blamed COVID vaccine for depression

BY SUSAN HAIGH
Associated Press



A bullet hole is visible in the door of a CVS pharmacy on Saturday near where police say a man was shooting at the headquarters of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

A Georgia man who had blamed the COVID-19 vaccine for making him depressed and suicidal has been identified as the shooter who opened fire late Friday on the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention headquarters, killing a police officer.

The 30-year-old suspect, who died during the incident, had also tried to get into the CDC's headquarters in Atlanta but was stopped by guards before driving to a pharmacy across the street and opening fire, a law enforcement official told The Associated Press on Saturday.

The man, identified as Patrick Joseph White, was armed with five guns, including at least one long gun, the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to publicly discuss the investigation.

A union representing workers at the CDC said the incident was not random and "compounds months of mistreatment, neglect, and vilification that CDC staff have endured." It demanded federal officials condemn vaccine misinformation, saying it was putting scientists at risk.

Here's what to know about the shooting and the continuing investigation:

An attack on a prominent public health institution

Police say White opened fire outside the CDC headquarters in Atlanta on Friday, leaving bullet marks in windows across the sprawling campus. At least four CDC buildings were hit, Director Susan Monarez said on X.

DeKalb County Police Officer David Rose was mortally wounded while responding. Rose, 33, a former Marine who served in Afghanistan, had graduated from the police academy in March.

White was found on the second floor of a building across the street from the CDC campus and died at the scene, Atlanta Police Chief Darin Schierbaum said. He added that "we do not know at this time whether that was from officers or if it was self-inflicted."

The Georgia Bureau of Investigations said the crime scene was "complex" and the investigation would take "an extended period of time."

CDC union calls condemnation of vaccine misinformation and tighter security

The American Federation of Government Employees, Local 2883, said the CDC and leadership of the Department of Health and Human Services must provide a "clear and unequivocal stance in condemning vaccine disinformation."

Such a public statement by federal officials is needed to help prevent violence against scientists, the union said in a news release.

"Their leadership is critical in reinforcing public trust and ensuring that accurate, science-based information prevails," the union said.

Fired But Fighting, a group of laid-off CDC employees has said HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. is directly responsible for the villainization of CDC's workforce through "his continuous lies about science and vaccine safety, which have fueled a climate of hostility and mistrust."

Kennedy reached out to staff on Saturday, saying "no one should face violence while working to protect the health of others."

Thousands of people who work on critical disease research are employed on the campus. The union said some staff were huddled in various buildings until late at night, including more than 90 young children who were locked down inside the CDC's Clifton School.

The union said CDC staff should not be required to immediately return to work after experiencing such a traumatic event. In a statement released Saturday, it said windows and buildings should first be fixed and made "completely secure."

"Staff should not be required to work next to bullet holes," the union said. "Forcing a return under these conditions risks re-traumatizing staff by exposing them to the reminders of the horrific shooting they endured."

The union called for "perimeter security on all campuses" until the investigation is fully completed and shared with staff.

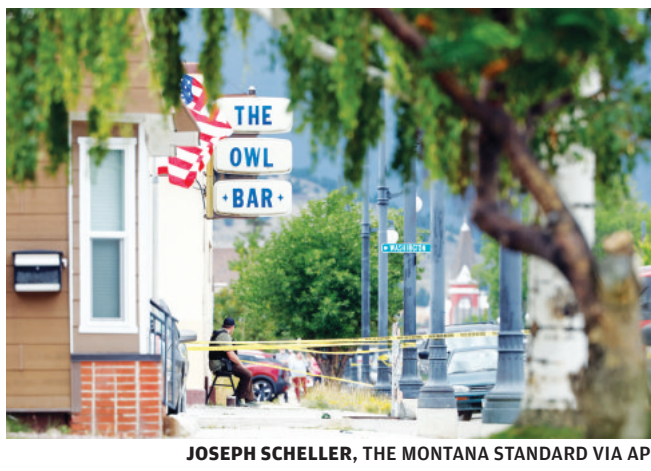
Shooter had fixation on COVID-19 vaccine

White's father, who contacted police and identified his son as the possible shooter, said White had been upset over the death of his dog and also had become fixated on the COVID-19 vaccine, according to the law enforcement official.

A neighbor of White told The Atlanta Journal-Constitution that White "seemed like a good guy" but spoke with her multiple times about his distrust of COVID-19 vaccines in unrelated conversations.

"He was very unsettled, and he very deeply believed that vaccines hurt him and were hurting other people," Nancy Hoalst, told the Atlanta newspaper. "He emphatically believed that."

But Hoalst said she never believed White would be violent: "I had no idea he thought he would take it out on the CDC."



JOSEPH SCHELLER, THE MONTANA STANDARD VIA AP

Police tape surrounds The Owl Bar in of Anaconda, Mont., on Aug. 1 following a fatal shooting.

Montana bar shooting suspect is captured

BY HANNAH SCHOENBAUM
Associated Press

A man suspected in a shooting at a Montana bar that left four people dead was captured Friday just a few miles from where the shooting happened after hundreds of law enforcement officers spent the past week scouring nearby mountainsides, authorities said.

Michael Paul Brown, 45, was taken into custody around 2 p.m. near the area where authorities had focused their search in the days following the Aug. 1 shooting at The Owl Bar in Anaconda, about 100 miles from Missoula.

Montana Attorney General Austin Knudsen said during a news conference that about 130 law enforcement officers made a hard push Thursday after getting tips that helped verify they were looking in the right area.

"It's not someplace he'd been hiding. He was flushed out," Knudsen said.

Gov. Greg Gianforte first confirmed Brown's capture on social media Friday afternoon, saying it was the result of what he called a "Herculean effort" from law enforcement officers across the state.

The community finally would be able to sleep tonight, Anaconda-Deer Valley County Attorney Morgan Smith said, adding that the case is just the beginning for prosecutors who will be seeking to charge Brown with the killings.

It was not immediately clear if Brown had legal representation. Email and phone messages were left Friday with the Montana public defender's office.

State authorities have not said what sparked last week's shooting, which left a female bartender and three male patrons dead. The victims were identified as Nancy Lauretta Kelley, 64; Daniel Edwin Baillie, 59; David Allen Leach, 70; and Tony Wayne Palm, 74.

Brown's niece, Clare Boyle, said Kelley worked previously as an oncology nurse and was a close family friend who helped Brown's mother when she was sick.

Bar owners from around the state have pledged to donate a portion of sales to a fund for each of the victims' families.

The shooting rattled the tight-knit town of about 9,000 people and prompted the closure of a 22-square-mile stretch of forest as authorities searched for Brown. He had fled from the shooting in a white pickup that he later ditched. Authorities say he later stole another white vehicle stocked with clothes, shoes and camping gear. Earlier in the week, Knudsen had said it didn't appear that Brown had broken into any homes in the area for food or additional supplies.

Lee Johnson, administrator of the Montana Division of Criminal Investigation, said search teams found Brown at a structure near The Ranch Bar and that he looked to be "in pretty good shape, physically." He was communicative and able to identify himself, Johnson said. Brown was taken to a hospital for treatment and was medically cleared earlier Friday.

Eric Hempstead, who owns The Ranch Bar, about 5 miles west of The Owl Bar, described an intense law enforcement presence in the densely wooded area over the last couple of days that involved search dogs and drones.

"The guy was never going to make it out in the open," he said, noting that he and his neighbors were armed and ready to protect themselves.

Brown, who lived next door to The Owl Bar in Anaconda, served in the Army as an armor crewman from 2001 to 2005 and deployed to Iraq from early 2004 until March 2005. He also was in the Montana National Guard from 2006 to 2009.

Boyle told The Associated Press that her uncle has struggled with mental illness for years, and she and other family members repeatedly sought help for him.

Before Brown's father died in 2015, Boyle said Brown was "a good, loving uncle." Then, she and other family members noticed a slip in his mental state. Brown began experiencing delusions and often did not know who, when or where he was. He was an avid hunter and kept guns in his home.

Family members had requested wellness checks when they believed he was becoming a danger to himself, she said. Boyle said Brown would tell authorities he was fine.

The Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Law Enforcement Department did not respond this week to several email and phone messages requesting records of the wellness checks Boyle said they helped conduct on Brown in the years leading up to the shooting.

At the news conference, Knudsen said officials had no comment on whether police had performed wellness checks.

Montana is not among the states that have red flag laws allowing families to formally petition for guns to be removed from the homes of people who are deemed a danger to themselves or others. The state Legislature passed a bill this year banning local governments from enacting their own red flag gun laws. The governor signed it into law in May.

Associated Press journalist Thomas Peipert in Denver contributed to this report.

OREGON

Portland to pay $3.75M to estate of man shot by police

ASSOCIATED PRESS

PORTLAND, Ore. — The city of Portland, Oregon, is set to pay $3.75 million to the estate of an unarmed man who was shot and killed by police in 2022 after being mistaken for an armed robbery suspect.

The city settled with Immanueal Clark's estate, which had filed a wrongful-death lawsuit last year, Oregon Public Broadcasting reported. An officer mistook the 30-year-old as someone involved in an armed robbery earlier in the evening and shot him in the back as he fled from a police stop in November 2022.

The news outlet, citing a database maintained by the advocacy group Portland Copwatch, reported it was the largest settlement on record paid by the city to an individual plaintiff.

City councilors unanimously approved the settlement on Thursday after a meeting in which they questioned disagreement within the Police Department over whether the shooting was proper. An internal affairs investigator had found the officer who shot Clark violated bureau policy; the city's Police Review Board, which includes four members from the Police Department, two community members and an independent city staffer, voted 4-3 that the shooting was within policy, OPB reported.

Police Chief Bob Day told councilors that while he was angered by Clark's death, it was his final decision to deem the shooting appropriate as he believed Officer Chris Sathoff acted reasonably according to the facts available at the time, OPB reported.

A grand jury cleared Sathoff of criminal wrongdoing in 2023.

The night of the shooting, a 911 caller told dispatchers he had been robbed at gunpoint in the parking lot of a fast-food restaurant by men who were "definitely white." Officers mistook Clark's sedan as being involved in the robbery, and when they approached it in a church parking lot, Clark, who was Black, fled on foot.

In grand jury testimony, Sathoff said Clark had been "digging his pockets" as he ran away and that he thought Clark may have a gun. He fired three bullets from an AR-15 rifle.

Councilor Loretta Smith said the shooting highlighted discrepancies in how Black and white Portlanders are treated by police.

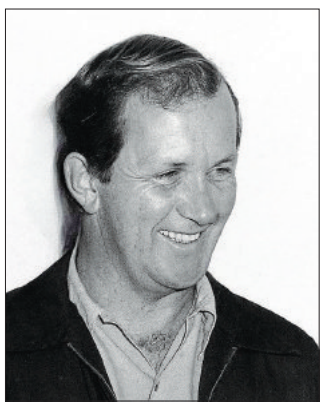
"We did know the description of the robbers — and the robbers were white. And Manny is clearly Black," Smith said.

Day said the Police Department had made changes since the shooting, including how it trains officers to use rifles, OPB reported.



Richard Moore Sorensen

August 12, 1937 — August 7, 2025



Richard Moore Sorensen, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and an honorable veteran, peacefully passed away on August 7, 2025, at his home in West Haven, Utah. In his final days, he was surrounded by his cherished family. Born on August 12, 1937, in Ogden, Utah, Richard lived a life rich in service and love.

For 30 remarkable years, Richard dedicated himself to his work at Hill Air Force Base, where he meticulously contributed to the maintenance and care of aircraft. His steady hands and keen insights were well-respected in his profession. After retiring from the Air Force Base, he continued to serve his community through his roles at McKay Dee Hospital as a lab courier, a position that brought him immense joy and fulfillment. It was said that he not only performed his duties with great enthusiasm but also left a lasting positive impression on those around him.

Richard's military service was characterized by loyalty and pride. He served honorably in the Marine Corps, then later supported the Air Force during the Vietnam War as a DoD employee. He vividly recounted his time on aircraft carriers during his reenlistment in the Navy Reserves, witnessing important moments in history. A proud patriot, Richard embodied the values he stood for throughout his life, reinforced with dedication and love for his country.

He was a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and held a strong testimony of the gospel and the teachings of Jesus Christ. His faith was a guiding light for him and his family, and he instilled that same belief in his loved ones.

Richard was known for his wit and humor, qualities that brought laughter into the hearts of many. His family gatherings were filled with love and joy, where food was abundant, and stories were shared, creating memories that will last a lifetime. Richard's fierce love for his wife and children was evident to all; to him, they could do no wrong. His legacy of love extended to his large posterity, who brought him immeasurable happiness.

An avid reader, Richard had a particular fondness for World War II history and novels. He enjoyed the thrill of literature, often waiting until the last chapter of one book to pick up another, always eager to be whisked away into new worlds and stories. He also enjoyed wood working and often "made lots of saw dust."

Richard is survived by his loving wife, Lonna; his children, David (Patricia) Sorensen, Amy (Todd) Crossley, Susan (Larry) Smalley, Jennifer (Michael) Pitt, and Nathan (Corie) Sorensen; as well as eighteen grandchildren and nine (and a half) great-grandchildren, all of whom carry on his spirit of kindness and strength. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ivan and Bernice Sorensen.

As we remember Richard, we hold dear the lessons he taught us: the importance of family, the value of service, and the power of laughter. His presence will be deeply missed, but his legacy of love will forever remain in the hearts of all who knew him.

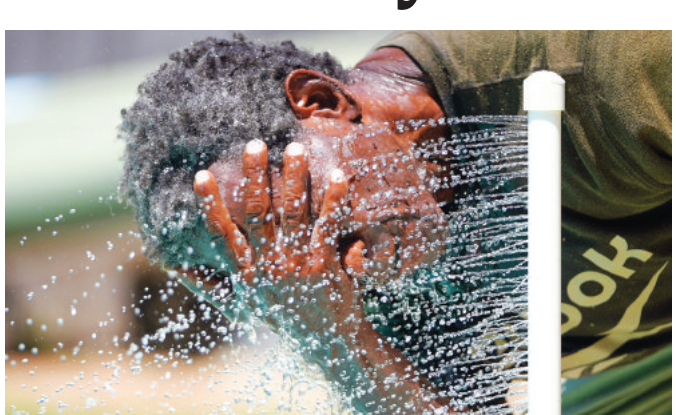
Graveside services will be held on Friday, August 22, 2025 at 11 a.m. at Lindquist's Memorial Gardens of the Wasatch, 1718 Combe Rd., Ogden, Utah, where full military honors will be accorded. Services entrusted to Lindquist's Roy Mortuary.

Condolences may be shared at: www.lindquistmortuary.com.

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Paul Williams cools off in water while taking a break from yard work in Richardson, Texas, on July 31.

More than 70 million Americans sweated through the muggiest first two months of summer on record as climate change has noticeably dialed up the Eastern United States' humidity in recent decades, an Associated Press data analysis shows.

And that meant uncomfortably warm and potentially dangerous nights in many cities the last several weeks, the National Weather Service said.

Parts of 27 states and Washington, D.C., had a record amount of days that meteorologists call uncomfortable — with average daily dew points of 65 degrees Fahrenheit or higher — in June and July, according to data derived from the Copernicus Climate Service.

And that's just the daily average. In much of the East, the mugginess kept rising to near tropical levels for a few humid hours. Philadelphia had 29 days, Washington had 27 days and Baltimore had 24 days where the highest dew point simmered to at least 75 degrees, which even the the weather service office in Tampa calls oppressive, according to weather service data.

Dew point is a measure of moisture in the air expressed in degrees that many meteorologists call the most accurate way to describe humidity. The summer of 2025 so far has had dew points that average at least 6 degrees higher than the 1951-2020 normals in Washington, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Richmond, Columbus and St. Louis, the AP calculations show. The average June and July humidity for the entire country east of the Rockies rose to more than 66 degrees, higher than any year since measurements started in 1950.

"This has been a very muggy summer. The humid heat has been way up," said Bernadette Woods Placky, chief meteorologist at Climate Central.

Twice this summer climate scientist and humidity expert Cameron Lee of Kent State University measured dew points of about 82 degrees at his home weather station in Ohio. That's off the various charts that the weather service uses to describe what dew points feel like.

"There are parts of the United States that are experiencing not only greater average humidity, especially in the spring and summer, but also more extreme humid days," Lee said. He said super sticky days are now stretching out over more days and more land.

High humidity doesn't allow the air to cool at night as much as it usually does, and the stickiness contributed to multiple nighttime temperature records from the Ohio Valley through the Mid-Atlantic and up and down coastal states, said Zack Taylor, forecast operations chief at the National Weather Service's Weather Prediction Center. Raleigh, Charlotte, Nashville, Virginia Beach, Va., and Wilmington, N.C., all reached records for the hottest overnight lows. New York City, Columbus, Atlanta, Richmond, Knoxville, Tennessee and Concord, New Hampshire came close, he said.

"What really impacts the body is that nighttime temperature," Taylor said. "So if there's no cooling at night or if there's a lack of cooling it doesn't allow your body to cool off and recover from what was probably a really hot afternoon. And so when you start seeing that over several days, that can really wear out the body, especially of course if you don't have access to cooling centers or air conditioning."

An extra hot and rainy summer weather pattern is combining with climate change from the burning of coal, oil and natural gas, Woods Placky said.

The area east of the Rockies has on average gained about 2.5 degrees in summer dew point since 1950, the AP analysis of Copernicus data shows. In the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s and part of the 1990s, the eastern half of the country had an average dew point in the low 60s, what the weather service calls noticeable but OK. In four of the last six years that number has been near and even over the uncomfortable line of 65.

"It's huge," Lee said of the 75-year trend. "This is showing a massive increase over a relatively short period of time."

That seemingly small increase in average dew points really means the worst ultra-sticky days that used to happen once a year, now happen several times a summer, which is what affects people, Lee said.

Higher humidity and heat feed on each other. A basic law of physics is that the atmosphere holds an extra 4% more water for every degree Fahrenheit warmer it gets, meteorologists said.

For most of the summer, the Midwest and East were stuck under either incredibly hot high pressure systems, which boosted temperatures, or getting heavy and persistent rain in amounts much higher than average, Taylor said. What was mostly missing was the occasional cool front that pushes out the most oppressive heat and humidity. That finally came in August and brought relief, he said.

Humidity varies by region. The West is much drier. The South gets more 65-degree dew points in the summer than the North. But that's changing.

Familiarity or true connection?



Annie Lane
Dear Annie

Dear Annie: I wanted to follow up on a letter you published on June 21, 2025, about my complicated relationship with my sister-in-law, who I started to develop romantic feelings for after the death of my wife (her sister).

Since your response, I had a long and emotional conversation with her. Things had been awkward between us ever since we nearly crossed a line a few months ago. It felt important to finally clear the air, and I'm glad we did.

After talking for several hours, I walked away believing she truly cares about me for who I am — not out of convenience or grief, but genuine affection. The trouble is, I'm not so sure about how I feel. Do I love her as her own person, or am I clinging to the parts of her that remind me of her sister, my late wife? That question keeps me up at night. I care for her deeply, but I don't want to commit to something as serious as a relationship if it's rooted in comparison or nostalgia. It wouldn't be fair to her — or to me — if I realized years down the road that I had confused familiarity for love.

At the same time, she has formed a powerful bond with my son. She's been there for him in a way no one else has, and she's become a steady maternal figure in his life. The two of them adore each other. Because of that, we've agreed to an informal co-parenting arrangement where he stays with her every weekend. There's no legal agreement involved — just trust. For now, this feels like the healthiest balance.

Through all of this, I've also come to a personal decision: I won't marry again while my son is still dependent on me. As uncomfortable as my dynamic with my sister-in-law has been at times, I can't imagine bringing someone new into our lives who doesn't already share a meaningful connection with him. It just wouldn't feel right.

I'd love to hear your perspective. Am I doing the right thing by maintaining a close, non-romantic relationship with her for the sake of my son? And how can I be sure my uncertainty isn't hurting her more than helping her?

— Torn and Trying

Dear Torn and Trying: Thank you for the update. It sounds like you are approaching this very delicate situation with honesty and compassion, which is more than many people manage.

You are wise to take your time and question your feelings before moving forward. Love built on grief or familiarity is not the same as love built on true connection. If you are unsure, it is right not to make promises you cannot fully commit to.

Your co-parenting arrangement sounds thoughtful and respectful. As long as you both remain honest and communicate clearly, you are giving your son the love and stability he needs, and that counts for a lot.

Keep leading with kindness, and trust that clarity will come with time.

"How Can I Forgive My Cheating Partner?" is out now! Annie Lane's second anthology — featuring favorite columns on marriage, infidelity, communication and reconciliation — is available as a paperback and e-book. Visit http://www.creatorspublishing.com for more information. Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

Congolese refugee's 8-year struggle to reunite with family

BY REBECCA BOONE
Associated Press

BOISE, Idaho — The Congolese woman's search for safety sent her on a terrifying trek of nearly 2,300 miles through southern Africa on foot when she was just 15.

Reuniting with her family has been a more difficult journey. For eight years, she clung to hope through delays and setbacks as she navigated a U.S. program that reconnects refugees with family members already in the country, and her dream of seeing them again seemed close to becoming a reality.

But President Donald Trump signed an executive order halting the refugee program just hours after he took office on Jan. 20, leaving her and thousands of other refugees stranded.

"It was horrible. I would never wish for anyone to go through that, ever. When I think about it, I just ..." she said, pausing to take a long breath. "Honestly, I had given up. I told my mom maybe it was just not meant for us to see each other again."

During a brief block on the order, the woman made it into the U.S., one of only about 70 refugees to arrive in the country since Trump took office. She asked that her name not be used because she fears retaliation.

"It's been a really devastating roller coaster for those families, to be stuck in this limbo of not knowing whether their hope of being resettled in the United States will ever come true," said Melissa Keaney, an attorney with the International Refugee Assistance Project.

The woman was an infant when her mother fled the Democratic Republic of Congo's civil war in 1997, seeking shelter at Tanzania's Nyarugusu refugee camp. When the camp grew too dangerous, she fled for South Africa. She built a modest life there, always hoping she would rejoin her family, even after they were resettled in the U.S. For a time, that seemed likely, thanks to the "follow to join" program.

The refugee program had bipartisan support for decades, allowing people displaced by war, natural disaster or persecution to legally migrate to the U.S. and providing a pathway to citizenship.

But Trump's executive order halting the program said communities didn't have the ability to "absorb large numbers of migrants, and in particular, refugees."

Organizations like the International Refugee Assistance Project and some refugees, including the Congolese woman and her mother, sued over Trump's order in February. They said resettlement agencies were forced to lay off hundreds of workers and some refugees were left in dangerous places.

"I had a small business and told everyone, 'I'm out now,'" she said. "It felt like this door had just been opened, and I was running toward it when — boom! — they push it shut right in front of me."

A difficult choice: Family or safety?

Looking back on her time in the Nyarugusu refugee camp, she remembers teaching her little brother to ride a bike and whispering with her sister late at night. She remembers hunger and fear as attacks on refugees foraging outside the camp increased.

"You see someone hanged, and that brings fear," she said. "You don't know if you'll be next. You don't know if they're waiting for you."

By 2012, the camp was especially dangerous for teen girls, who were at risk of being kidnapped or assaulted. With little hope of a viable future, her mother made a plan: The 15-year-old would walk to South Africa, where she would have a better chance of finishing school and building a life. Her siblings were too young to make the journey, so she would have to go alone.

She didn't know the way, so joined other travelers, often going without food during the six-week journey.

The crossing from Mozambique into Zimbabwe was deep in a forest. The group she was following had hired a guide, but he abandoned them in the middle of the night. Under the thin moonlight, the group walked toward a cellphone tower in the distance, hoping to find civilization.

"How we made it to the other side was only God," she said.

A family, worlds apart

In Durban, South Africa, she finished school, started a tailoring business, joined a church and volunteered helping homeless people.

Then in 2016, the 19-year-old got unexpected news: Her family was being resettled in the United States, without her.

"It happened so fast," she said. "When I left, the idea of them going to be resettled was never in the mind at all."

Her family settled in Boise, Idaho, and her mother signed her up for the "follow to join" program in 2017.

The program often takes years and requires strict vetting with interviews, medical exams and documentation. At the start of 2020, the woman was asked to provide a DNA sample, typically one of the final steps.

Then the COVID pandemic hit. For the next several years, her case foundered. A social worker would send her to the local consulate, where she'd be told to go back to the social worker.

"It went on and on," she said. Last year, her case was handed over to lawyers volunteering their time "and that's when we started seeing some light."

A roller coaster of hope and despair

By January, she had her travel documents and gave up her home. But her plane ticket wasn't issued before Trump took office. Within hours, he suspended the refugee program, and the consulate told the woman she could no longer have her passport and visa.

"That was the worst moment of my life," she said.

Nearly 130,000 refugees had conditional approval to enter the U.S. when Trump halted the program, the administration said in court documents. At least 12,000 of them were about to travel.

The aid groups' lawsuit asks a judge to declare Trump's executive order illegal. A federal judge granted a nationwide injunction temporarily blocking the order in late February. An appeals court blocked most of the injunction weeks later.

But that brief legal window was enough: A group of refugee advocates donated funds to cover the woman's flight to the U.S.

Her family met her at the airport in March — a joyful reunion more than a dozen years in the making.

"They made a feast, and there were drinks and songs and we'd dance," she said, smiling.

The appeals court ordered the government to admit thousands more conditionally accepted refugees, but the administration has created new roadblocks, Keaney said, including decreasing the time refugees' security screenings are valid to 30 days — down from three years.

Leaders of Armenia, Azerbaijan shake hands, sign deal

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The leaders of Armenia and Azerbaijan shook hands Friday at a White House peace summit before signing an agreement aimed at ending decades of conflict.

President Donald Trump was in the middle as Azerbaijani President Ilham Aliyev and Armenian Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan flanked him on either side. As the two extended their arms in front of Trump to shake hands, the U.S. leader reached up and clasped his hands around theirs.

The two countries in the South Caucasus signed agreements with each other and the U.S. that will reopen key transportation routes while allowing the U.S. to seize on Russia's declining influence in the region. The deal includes an agreement that will create a major transit corridor to be named the Trump Route for International Peace and Prosperity, the White House said.

Trump said at the White House on Friday that naming the route after him was "a great honor for me" but "I didn't ask for this." A senior administration official, on a call before the event with reporters, said it was the Armenians who suggested the name.

Trump has sought to be known as a peacemaker and made no secret of the fact that he covets a Nobel Peace Prize. Friday's signing adds to a series of peace and economic agreements brokered by the U.S. this year.

Both leaders said the breakthrough was made possible by Trump and his team.

"We are laying a foundation to write a better story than the one we had in the past," Pashinyan said, calling the agreement a "significant milestone."

"President Trump in six months did a miracle," Aliyev said.

Trump remarked on how long the conflict went on between the two countries. "Thirty-five years they fought, and now they're friends and they're going to be friends a long time," he said.

That route will connect Azerbaijan and its autonomous Nakhchivan exclave, which are separated by a 20-mile-wide patch of Armenian territory. The demand from Azerbaijan had held up peace talks in the past.

For Azerbaijan, a major producer of oil and gas, the route also provides a more direct link to Turkey and onward to Europe.

Trump indicated he'd like to visit the route, saying, "We're going to have to get over there."

Asked how he feels about lasting peace between Armenia and Azerbaijan, Trump said "very confident."

Aliyev and Pashinyan on Friday joined a growing list of foreign leaders and other officials who have said Trump should receive the Nobel Peace Prize for his role in helping ease long-running conflicts across the globe.

The peace deal between the Democratic Republic of Congo and Rwanda helped end the decadeslong conflict in eastern Congo, and the U.S. mediated a ceasefire between India and Pakistan, while Trump intervened in clashes between Cambodia and Thailand by threatening to withhold trade agreements with both countries if their fighting continued. Yet peace deals in Gaza and Ukraine have been elusive.

US takes advantage of Russia's waning influence

The signing of a deal between Armenia and Azerbaijan, both former Soviet republics, also strikes a geopolitical blow to their former imperial master, Russia. Throughout the nearly four-decade conflict, Moscow played mediator to expand its clout in the strategic South Caucasus region, but its influence waned quickly after it launched the full-scale invasion of Ukraine in February 2022. The Trump-brokered deal would allow the U.S. to deepen its reach in the region as Moscow retreats, senior U.S. administration officials said.

The Trump administration began engaging with Armenia and Azerbaijan in earnest earlier this year, when Trump's key diplomatic envoy, Steve Witkoff, met with Aliyev in Baku and started to discuss what a senior administration official called a "regional reset."



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The aftermath of a fire that took place at an apartment building construction site located on the 100 block of 18th Street in Ogden, photographed Saturday.

Fire

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A truck that was located on the east side of the property was damaged due to the fire; however, damage to neighboring properties continued to be assessed. An Ogden Fire news release stated that some timber and brush caught fire due to the heat and casts from the apartment structure. Meanwhile, a grass fire that ignited on the 700 West block of 17th Street is also under investigation, per the release, as it may have been sparked by embers from the construction site.

Slater noted that additional details could be provided to the public as early as today but cautioned that investigators would first be given time to complete preliminary work on-site. He also advised the public to avoid the area and thanked the responding agencies for their efforts.

"We appreciate the cooperation from local law enforcement — the Police Department — and the neighboring fire jurisdictions for their support and helping to protect our city last night," Slater told reporters. "I'm extremely proud and grateful for the work that the men and women of Ogden Fire and the joining agencies put in to help extinguish this fire and keep our community safe."

In total, 35 firefighters from the Ogden City Fire Department, Riverdale Fire Department, Weber Fire District, Washington Terrace Fire and North View Fire District responded to the incident, according to the release.

A five-story apartment complex under construction at 255 22nd Street was destroyed by fire in January. In-progress apartment buildings on the 300 block of 28th Street and at 3378 Washington Boulevard were also razed in 2021 and 2022, respectively.



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The Promontory Mountains rise over the sage and wetlands of the West Desert on Feb. 26, 2016.

Mining

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which relies on existing environmental reviews rather than conducting a new, more lengthy analysis.

"By failing to conduct the required environmental analysis for a project of this magnitude, BLM has rubber-stamped a decision to irreversibly alter the extremely wild and remote nature of Utah's West Desert," said Hanna Larsen, a staff attorney for SUWA, in a statement. "The impacts of turning Sevier Lake into an industrial zone will destroy important habitat for migratory birds, ruin incredibly dark night skies, and imperil groundwater resources for decades to come."

The lawsuit asks the court to declare the project in violation of the National Environmental Policy Act and the Administrative Procedure Act.

Peak Minerals said the project will bring economic benefits to the area, aligns with President Donald Trump's executive order to ramp up mineral production, and offers a sustainable supply of domestically produced potash.

"Once up and running, it will help supply North America with much-needed potash while replacing imports that have large carbon footprints, doing so at the absolute lowest cost," said Peak Minerals CEO Dean Pekeski, in a statement after the project was approved in June.

Peak Minerals would dig trenches to expose the brine and collect water from precipitation and the Sevier River. The brine extracted from the Sevier Playa sediments would then be concentrated by solar evaporation, according to BLM documents, then sent to a processing facility to be refined.

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Data centers

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"I think some of the fundamental assumptions behind all this just kind of breaks down."

A fix, Peskoe said, is a "can of worms" that pits ratepayer classes against one another.

Some officials downplay the role of data centers in pushing up electric bills.

Tricia Pridemore, who sits on Georgia's Public Service Commission and is president of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, pointed to an already tightened electricity supply and increasing costs for power lines, utility poles, transformers and generators as utilities replace aging equipment or harden it against extreme weather.

The data centers needed to accommodate the artificial intelligence boom are still in the regulatory planning stages, Pridemore said, and the Data Center Coalition, which represents Big Tech firms and data center developers, has said its members are committed to paying their fair share.

But growing evidence suggests that the electricity bills of some Americans are rising to subsidize the massive energy needs of Big Tech as the U.S. competes in a race against China for artificial intelligence superiority.

Data and analytics firm Wood Mackenzie published a report in recent weeks that suggested 20 proposed or effective specialized rates for data centers in 16 states it studied aren't nearly enough to cover the cost of a new natural gas power plant.



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Amazon Web Services data center is visible on Aug. 22, 2024, in Boardman, Ore.

In other words, unless utilities negotiate higher specialized rates, other ratepayer classes — residential, commercial and industrial — are likely paying for data center power needs.

Meanwhile, Monitoring Analytics, the independent market watchdog for the mid-Atlantic grid, produced research in June showing that 70% — or $9.3 billion — of last year's increased electricity cost was the result of data center demand.

States are responding

Last year, five governors led by Pennsylvania's Josh Shapiro began pushing back against power prices set by the mid-Atlantic grid operator, PJM Interconnection, after that amount spiked nearly sevenfold. They warned of customers "paying billions more than is necessary."

PJM has yet to propose ways to guarantee that data centers pay their freight, but Monitoring Analytics is floating the idea that data centers should be required to procure their own power.

In a filing last month, it said that would avoid a "massive wealth transfer" from average people to tech companies.

At least a dozen states are eyeing ways to make data centers pay higher local transmission costs.

In Oregon, a data center hot spot, lawmakers passed legislation in June ordering state utility regulators to develop new — presumably higher — power rates for data centers.

The Oregon Citizens' Utility Board says there is clear evidence that costs to serve data centers are being spread across all customers — at a time when some electric bills there are up 50% over the past four years and utilities are disconnecting more people than ever.

New Jersey's governor signed legislation last month commissioning state utility regulators to study whether ratepayers are being hit with "unreasonable rate increases" to connect data centers and to develop a specialized rate to charge data centers.

In some other states, like Texas and Utah, governors and lawmakers are trying to avoid a supply-and-demand crisis that leaves ratepayers on the hook — or in the dark.

Doubts about states protecting ratepayers

In Indiana, state utility regulators approved a settlement between Indiana Michigan Power Co., Amazon, Google, Microsoft and consumer advocates that set parameters for data center payments for service.

Kerwin Olsen, of the Citizens Action Council of Indiana, a consumer advocacy group, signed the settlement and called it a "pretty good deal" that contained more consumer protections than what state lawmakers passed.

But, he said, state law doesn't force large power users like data centers to publicly reveal their electric usage, so pinning down whether they're paying their fair share of transmission costs "will be a challenge."

In a March report, the Environmental and Energy Law Program at Harvard University questioned the motivation of utilities and regulators to shield ratepayers from footing the cost of electricity for data centers.

Both utilities and states have incentives to attract big customers like data centers, it said.

To do it, utilities — which must get their rates approved by regulators — can offer "special deals to favored customers" like a data center and effectively shift the costs of those discounts to regular ratepayers, the authors wrote. Many state laws can shield disclosure of those rates, they said.

In Pennsylvania, an emerging data center hot spot, the state utility commission is drafting a model rate structure for utilities to consider adopting. An overarching goal is to get data center developers to put their money where their mouth is.

"We're talking about real transmission upgrades, potentially hundreds of millions of dollars," commission chairman Stephen DeFrank said. "And that's what you don't want the ratepayer to get stuck paying for."

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Mariners have retired Ichiro Suzuki's No. 51 jersey

BY LUKE OLSON
Associated Press

SEATTLE — The Seattle Mariners retired the iconic No. 51 on Saturday, honoring Ichiro Suzuki in a pregame ceremony at T-Mobile Park before facing the Tampa Bay Rays.

"What's up, Seattle!" Suzuki screamed. "I'm so grateful to be here today, to receive this highest honor."

The recent Hall of Fame inductee becomes just the third Mariners player to have his number retired by the franchise, joining legends Ken Griffey Jr. (No. 24) and Edgar Martinez (No. 11).

"Congratulations on being inducted into the Hall of Fame and having your number retired," Griffey said in a video tribute. "It's about damn time. I mean, what took you so long? I've been there for five years."

Suzuki made history as the first Japanese-born player inducted into the Hall of Fame, earning a near-unanimous 99.7% of the vote from the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

After spending eight seasons in Nippon Professional Baseball, Suzuki made his major league debut at the age of 27. In his rookie season in 2001, he captured both the American League Rookie of the Year and Most Valuable Player awards, becoming just the second player ever to do so in the same season, joining Fred Lynn.

Over a 19-year MLB career, Suzuki was a 10-time All-Star, 10-time Gold Glove winner, two-time AL batting champion, and three-time Silver Slugger. He set the single-season hits record with 262 in 2004, which still stands today. Across NPB and MLB, he amassed 4,367 hits, including 3,089 in MLB.

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Former Seattle Mariners right fielder Ichiro Suzuki speaks during his jersey retirement ceremony on Saturday before a baseball game between the Mariners and the Tampa Bay Rays in Seattle.

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Alonso hits 252nd home run to match Strawberry for Mets record

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MILWAUKEE — Pete Alonso hit his 252nd career home run Saturday night, tying the New York Mets record held by Darryl Strawberry for 37 years.

Alonso connected against Milwaukee Brewers starter Tobias Myers leading off the second inning for his 26th homer this season, giving the Mets a 1-0 lead. The 413-foot shot to left-center came on a 1-2 fastball at the top of the strike zone.

It was Alonso's fourth homer in eight games, since he went deep Aug. 1 against San Francisco to end an 0-for-19 slump.

"It means a lot. A mark that's not easy to get," Mets manager Carlos Mendoza said following his team's 7-4 loss. "How many great players have put on this uniform? For Pete to be able to tie it, it's something special for him and for all of us. We're proud of him."

Alonso was not available to speak with reporters after the game because of a personal situation, a Mets spokesman said.

The record-tying drive came in the same ballpark where Alonso launched the biggest home run of his career last October — although that one didn't count toward his regular-season total. The slugger's go-ahead, three-run shot in the ninth inning off All-Star closer Devin Williams saved New York's season and rallied the Mets to a 4-2 victory over the Brewers in the decisive Game 3 of their NL Wild Card Series.

A homegrown star drafted by the Mets in 2016, Alonso broke into the big leagues with a bang in 2019, hitting 53 home runs to set a major league rookie record and establish a franchise high for a single season.

The five-time All-Star, nicknamed The Polar Bear, has reached 40 two other times and been one of the most consistent sluggers in baseball since his arrival. After a protracted negotiation, he returned to the Mets as a free agent in February on a $54 million, two-year contract that includes a $24 million player option for 2026, which Alonso will likely decline.

The only other active players who lead their current franchise in home runs are Manny Machado (Padres) and Mike Trout (Angels).

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NICE START



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New York Giants quarterback Jaxson Dart after an NFL preseason football game against the Buffalo Bills on Saturday in Orchard Park, N.Y.

Former Roy QB Jaxson Dart and Russell Wilson show promise in Giants' 34-25 preseason win at Bills

BY JOHN WAWROW
Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Promising but far from perfect was rookie first-round draft pick Jaxson Dart's assessment of making his preseason debut at quarterback in the New York Giants' 34-25 win over the Buffalo Bills on Saturday.

"There's definitely moments where I feel like I did some good stuff, but I'm excited to look back on the tape and look at the things I can clean up," the 22-year-old said following an outing in which he led three scoring drives on four first-half possessions, which led to two field goals and a touchdown.

"I just felt like the only reason that we stopped ourselves from scoring touchdowns were just some of those third downs and not converting," Dart added. "I feel like personally I'm really hard on myself so in those moments I want to capitalize on that."

The outing, overall, provided the Giants an encouraging glimpse into not only their future, with Dart, but also their present with veteran Russell Wilson also making his playing debut.

The 36-year-old Wilson — New York's anticipated season-opening starter — was efficient in running the Giants' quick-strike passing attack by going 6 of 7 for 28 yards in an opening drive ending with Graham Gano's 53-yard field goal.

Dart — New York's starter in waiting — closed the half by displaying his arm strength and mobility. He finished 12 of 19 for 154 yards, including a 29-yard touchdown pass to Lil'Jordan Humphrey, while adding three carries for 24 yards.

Coach Brian Daboll said very little surprised him about Dart's poise and decision-making because he's seen it already in practice.

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New York Giants quarterback Jaxson Dart (6) throws a pass during the first half of an NFL preseason football game against the Buffalo Bills on Saturday in Orchard Park, N.Y.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Pawol makes history as 1st female ump in a regular-season game

BY CHARLES ODUM
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ATLANTA — Jen Pawol felt love and support from fans, family, peers and players as she made history as the first female umpire to work a regular-season game in the major leagues.

"It was amazing when we took the field," Pawol said. "It seemed like quite a few people were clapping and calling my name. That was pretty intense and emotional."

Pawol's much-anticipated debut came as the first base umpire for Saturday's first game of a split doubleheader between the Atlanta Braves and Miami Marlins. It was a smooth debut.

"She did a good job," Braves manager Brian Snitker said. "You can tell she knows what she does."

Pawol said she had a group of about 30 friends and family members, including her father, at the game and she immediately identified a major difference of working in a major league stadium. Those familiar faces were not so easy to find at Truist Park.

"When I looked up they weren't in the lower tier like in the minor leagues," Pawol said. "When I looked up it took me a while. Whoa, they're up there! I'll never forget that. That was just awesome.

"The dream actually came true today. I'm still living in it. I'm so grateful to my family and Major League Baseball for creating such an incredible work environment. ... I'm just so thankful."

Pawol's first real test came in the third inning of Atlanta's 7-1 win when she called Braves catcher Sean Murphy safe on a close play. Marlins manager Clayton McCullough did not challenge the call.

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Umpire Jen Pawol, looks on during the first inning of a baseball game of a doubleheader between the Atlanta Braves and Miami Marlins on Saturday in Atlanta.

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LOCAL SCHEDULE

MONDAY

GIRLS SOCCER
3:30 p.m. — Viewmont at West Field

4 p.m. — St. Joseph at Juan Diego

TUESDAY

GIRLS SOCCER
3:30 p.m. — Cottonwood at Bear River, Layton at West Field, Riverton at Weber, Roy at Morgan, South Summit at Ben Lomond

5 p.m. — Bonneville at Logan

7 p.m. — Davis at Woods Cross, Green Canyon at Box Elder, Skyridge at Syracuse

7:30 p.m. — Ogden at Northridge, Fremont at Sky View

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
5 p.m. — Lone Peak at Syracuse, Viewmont at Layton, West Field at Davis

6:30 p.m. — Box Elder at Sky View, Granger at Ben Lomond, Morgan at Mountain Crest, Northridge at Bountiful, Weber at Clearfield, Timpanogos at Ogden

7 p.m. — Maeser Prep at St. Joseph

PIONEER BASEBALL LEAGUE
TBA — Ogden at Grand Junction

ON THE AIR

MONDAY

MLB BASEBALL		
Regional Coverage	5 p.m.	MLB
Regional Coverage	9 p.m.	MLB
SOCCER (MEN'S)		
Liga MX		
Deportivo Toluca at Juarez	8:55 p.m.	FS1
TENNIS		
Cincinnati-ATP/WTA Early Rounds	9 a.m.	TENNIS
YOUTH HOCKEY (BOY'S)		
Hlinka Gretzky Cup Hockey		
Canada vs. Finland	7:30 a.m.	NHL
Slovakia vs. U.S.	11 a.m.	NHL

TUESDAY

MLB BASBEALL		
Chicago Cubs at Toronto	5 p.m.	TBS/TRUTV
Regional Coverage	8 p.m.	MLB
WNBA BASKETBALL		
Dallas at Indiana	5:30 p.m.	ESPN
New York at Los Angeles	8 p.m.	NBATV

NATIONAL SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	68	50	.576	—
Boston	65	53	.551	3
New York	62	56	.525	6
Tampa Bay	57	61	.483	11
Baltimore	53	65	.449	15

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	68	51	.571	—
Cleveland	61	56	.521	6
Kansas City	58	60	.492	9½
Minnesota	56	61	.479	11
Chicago	43	75	.364	24½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	66	52	.559	—
Seattle	65	53	.551	1
Texas	60	59	.504	6½
Los Angeles	56	62	.475	10
Athletics	53	67	.442	14

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	68	49	.581	—
New York	63	55	.534	5½
Miami	57	61	.483	11½
Atlanta	51	67	.432	17½
Washington	46	70	.397	21½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	73	44	.624	—
Chicago	67	49	.578	5½
Cincinnati	62	57	.521	12
St. Louis	59	59	.500	14½
Pittsburgh	51	68	.429	23

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	68	49	.581	—
San Diego	65	52	.556	3
San Francisco	59	58	.504	9
Arizona	56	61	.479	12
Colorado	30	86	.259	37½

Saturday's Games
N.Y. Yankees 5, Houston 4
L.A. Angels 7, Detroit 4
Kansas City 2, Minnesota 0
Athletics 11, Baltimore 3
Philadelphia 3, Texas 2
Cleveland 3, Chicago White Sox 1
San Diego 5, Boston 4, 10 innings
L.A. Dodgers 9, Toronto 1
Seattle 7, Tampa Bay 4
Atlanta 7, Miami 1, 1st game
Washington 4, San Francisco 2
Cincinnati 2, Pittsburgh 1
Milwaukee 7, N.Y. Mets 4
Atlanta 8, Miami 6, 2nd game
Chicago Cubs 9, St. Louis 1
Arizona 6, Colorado 5

Sunday's Games
Minnesota 5, Kansas City 3, 11 innings
Houston 7, N.Y. Yankees 1
Athletics 3, Baltimore 2
Detroit 9, L.A. Angels 5
Chicago White Sox 6, Cleveland 4
Philadelphia 4, Texas 2
Milwaukee 7, N.Y. Mets 6
Atlanta 7, Miami 1
Tampa Bay at Seattle, late
Toronto at L.A. Dodgers, late
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, late
Boston at San Diego, late
Washington at San Francisco, late
Colorado at Arizona, late
Chicago Cubs at St. Louis, late

Monday's Games
Minnesota (Matthews 3-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Warren 6-5), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Paddack 4-10) at Chicago White Sox (TBD), 7:40 p.m.
Washington (Cavalli 0-0) at Kansas City (Falter 7-6), 7:40 p.m.
Arizona (Nelson 6-3) at Texas (Eovaldi 10-3), 8:05 p.m.
Boston (Crochet 13-4) at Houston (Javier 0-0), 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Yamamoto 10-7) at L.A. Angels (Soriano 7-9), 9:38 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Pepiot 7-9) at Athletics (Springs 10-7), 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Walker 4-5) at Cincinnati (Abbott 8-2), 6:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Heaney 5-9) at Milwaukee (Peralta 13-5), 7:40 p.m.
Colorado (TBD) at St. Louis (Mikolas 6-9), 7:45 p.m.
Arizona (Nelson 6-3) at Texas (Eovaldi 10-3), 8:05 p.m.
San Diego (Darvish 1-3) at San Francisco (Webb 10-8), 9:45 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
Seattle at Baltimore, 6:35 p.m.
Miami at Cleveland, 6:40 p.m.
Minnesota at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago White Sox, 7:40 p.m.
Washington at Kansas City, 7:40 p.m.
Arizona at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
Boston at Houston, 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels, 9:38 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Athletics, 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Cincinnati, 6:40 p.m.
Atlanta at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 7:40 p.m.
Colorado at St. Louis, 7:45 p.m.
San Diego at San Francisco, 9:45 p.m.

MLB Top Ten

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	G	AB	H	R	Pct.
Judge NYY	108	392	132	92	.337
Aranda TB	103	358	113	53	.316
Peña Hou	90	349	110	50	.315
Ja.Wilson Ath	94	369	115	46	.312
M.Garcia KC	116	432	131	53	.303
Kirk Tor	93	332	99	29	.298
Bichette Tor	115	490	146	59	.298
V.Guerrero Tor	116	439	129	79	.294
Springer Tor	101	344	100	66	.291
J.Ramírez Cle	114	432	125	74	.289

Home Runs
Raleigh, Seattle, 44; Judge, New York, 37; Caminero, Tampa Bay, 32; Ward, Los Angeles, 27; Greene, Detroit, 27; Adell, Los Angeles, 25; Torkelson, Detroit, 25; Rooker, Athletics, 24; 6 tied at 23.

Runs Batted In
Raleigh, Seattle, 96; Ward, Los Angeles, 87; Greene, Detroit, 87; Judge, New York, 86; Caminero, Tampa Bay, 80; Bichette, Toronto, 78; Story, Boston, 73; Pasquantino, Kansas City, 71; Adell, Los Angeles, 70; Rooker, Athletics, 70.

Pitching
Crochet, Boston, 13-4; Fried, New York, 12-5; Skubal, Detroit, 11-3; Mize, Detroit, 11-4; Valdez, Houston, 11-5; Ryan, Minnesota, 11-5; Bassitt, Toronto, 11-6; Rodón, New York, 11-7; Eovaldi, Texas, 10-3; deGrom, Texas, 10-5.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	G	AB	H	R	Pct.
Edwards Mia	102	416	127	55	.305
F.Freeman LAD	104	390	119	56	.305
Machado SD	117	451	134	68	.297
Arraez SD	111	453	133	52	.294
Naylor Ari	93	349	102	49	.292
Frelick Mil	102	374	109	49	.291
Hoerner ChC	112	425	123	60	.289
K.Marte Ari	84	313	90	62	.288
Stowers Mia	113	386	110	57	.285
Perdomo Ari	116	424	120	64	.283

Home Runs
Schwarber, Philadelphia, 41; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 40; E.Suárez, Seattle, 36; J.Soto, New York, 28; Suzuki, Chicago, 27; Crow-Armstrong, Chicago, 27; Alonso, New York, 26; Stowers, Miami, 25; Carroll, Arizona, 25; Wood, Washington, 25.

Runs Batted In
Schwarber, Philadelphia, 95; Alonso, New York, 93; E.Suárez, Seattle, 87; Suzuki, Chicago, 84; Crow-Armstrong, Chicago, 78; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 76; Perdomo, Arizona, 75; Yelich, Milwaukee, 74; E.De La Cruz, Cincinnati, 74; Wood, Washington, 73.

Pitching
F.Peralta, Milwaukee, 13-5; Priester, Milwaukee, 11-2; C.Sánchez, Philadelphia, 11-3; Pivetta, San Diego, 11-4; Boyd, Chicago, 11-5; Luzardo, Philadelphia, 11-5; Pfaadt, Arizona, 11-7; Wheeler, Philadelphia, 10-5; Gray, St. Louis, 10-5; Yamamoto, Los Angeles, 10-7.

Pioneer League
All Times MDT

Second Half Standings

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Oakland Ballers	18	5	.783	—
y-Missoula PaddleHeads	17	6	.739	1
Ogden Raptors	**13**	**9**	**.587**	**4½**
Glacier Range Riders	13	10	.565	5
Idaho Falls Chukars	13	11	.542	5½
Rocky Mountain Vibes	11	12	.478	7
Boise Hawks	10	13	.435	8
Great Falls Voyagers	10	14	.417	8½
Billings Mustangs	9	14	.391	9
Colorado Springs Sky Sox	8	14	.370	9½
Grand Junction Jackalopes	8	15	.348	10
Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers	8	15	.348	10

x-first-half champ, playoff berth
y-first-half playoff berth

Friday's Games
Ogden 17, Colorado Springs 11
Idaho Falls 11, Great Falls 7
Glacier 3, Billings 2
Boise 14, Grand Junction 9
Missoula 5, Rocky Mountain 4
Oakland 14, Yuba-Sutter 4

Saturday's Games
Missoula 11, Rocky Mountain 9, game 1
Oakland 17, Yuba-Sutter 9
Ogden 18, Colorado Springs 13
Idaho Falls 9, Great Falls 5
Glacier 6, Billings 0
Boise 9, Grand Junction 6
Missoula 5, Rocky Mountain 2

Sunday's Games
Great Falls 9, Idaho Falls 4
Colorado Springs at Ogden, late
Billings at Glacier, late
Grand Junction at Boise, late
Rocky Mountain at Missoula, late
Yuba-Sutter at Oakland, late

Pacific Coast League
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Second Half Standings

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tacoma (Seattle)	26	12	.684	—
El Paso (San Diego)	23	14	.622	2½
Sacramento (San Francisco)	23	15	.605	3
Oklahoma City (L.A. Dodgers)	21	17	.553	5
Round Rock (Texas)	19	17	.528	6
Salt Lake (L.A. Angels)	**17**	**21**	**.447**	**9**
x-Las Vegas (Oakland)	16	22	.421	10
Sugar Land (Houston)	14	21	.400	10½
Albuquerque (Colorado)	15	23	.395	11
Reno (Arizona)	13	25	.342	13

x-first half winner

Friday's Games
Albuquerque 9, Round Rock 8, 11 innings
Oklahoma City 10, El Paso 9
Salt Lake 10, Las Vegas 4
Sacramento 6, Sugar Land 4
Tacoma 7, Reno 0

Saturday's Games
Round Rock 11, Albuquerque 5
Oklahoma City 11, El Paso 3
Las Vegas 3, Salt Lake 2
Tacoma 5, Reno 4
Sacramento 4, Sugar Land 3

Sunday's Games
Salt Lake 6, Las Vegas 3
Oklahoma City 6, El Paso 4
Sugar Land at Sacramento, late
Reno at Tacoma, late
Round Rock at Albuquerque, late

Monday's Games
No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
Sacramento at Round Rock, 8:05 p.m.
Albuquerque at Oklahoma City, 8:05 p.m.
Salt Lake at Sugar Land, 8:05 p.m.
El Paso at Reno, 9:35 p.m.
Tacoma at Las Vegas, 10:05 p.m.

FOOTBALL

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	1	0	0	1.000	30	10
New England	1	0	0	1.000	48	18
Miami	0	0	1	.500	24	24
Buffalo	0	1	0	.000	25	34

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	0	1	0	.000	10	20
Indianapolis	0	1	0	.000	16	24
Jacksonville	0	1	0	.000	25	31
Tennessee	0	1	0	.000	7	29

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	1	0	0	1.000	24	16
Cleveland	1	0	0	1.000	30	10
Pittsburgh	1	0	0	1.000	31	25
Cincinnati	0	1	0	.000	27	34

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	1	0	0	1.000	30	9
L.A. Chargers	1	0	0	1.000	34	7
Las Vegas	0	0	1	.500	23	23
Kansas City	0	1	0	.000	17	20

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	1	0	0	1.000	34	25
Philadelphia	1	0	0	1.000	34	27
Dallas	0	1	0	.000	21	31
Washington	0	1	0	.000	18	48

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tampa Bay	1	0	0	1.000	29	7
New Orleans	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Atlanta	0	1	0	.000	10	17
Carolina	0	1	0	.000	10	30

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	1	0	0	1.000	20	10
Chicago	0	0	1	.500	24	24
Detroit	1	1	0	.500	24	44
Green Bay	0	1	0	.000	10	30

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	1	0	0	1.000	20	17
L.A. Rams	1	0	0	1.000	31	21
Seattle	0	0	1	.500	23	23
San Francisco	0	1	0	.000	9	30

Friday's Games
Cleveland 30, Carolina 10
Detroit 17, Atlanta 10
New England 48, Washington 18

Saturday's Games
N.Y. Giants 34, Buffalo 25
Minnesota 20, Houston 10
L.A. Rams 31, Dallas 21
Pittsburgh 31, Jacksonville 25
Tampa Bay 29, Tennessee 7
Arizona 20, Kansas City 17
N.Y. Jets 30, Green Bay 10
Denver 30, San Francisco 9

Sunday's Games
Miami 24, Chicago 24
New Orleans at L.A. Chargers, late

Friday, Aug. 15
Tennessee at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 10 p.m.

SOCCER

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	15	5	6	51	44	25
Cincinnati	15	6	4	49	39	31
Nashville	14	7	5	47	43	29
Columbus	12	5	8	44	41	36
Inter Miami CF	12	4	6	42	49	34
Orlando City	11	6	8	41	46	33
Charlotte FC	12	11	2	38	43	39
New York City FC	11	8	5	38	34	29
Chicago	10	9	6	36	47	42
New York	9	10	6	33	39	36
New England	7	11	7	28	33	35
Toronto FC	5	13	7	22	26	33
Atlanta	4	11	10	22	30	46
CF Montréal	4	15	7	19	24	47
D.C. United	4	15	7	19	22	51

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
San Diego FC	15	7	4	49	50	32
Vancouver	13	6	6	45	43	28
Minnesota United	12	5	8	44	42	28
Seattle	10	6	8	38	39	35
Los Angeles FC	10	6	7	37	41	30
Portland	10	8	7	37	33	34
Austin FC	9	8	7	34	23	28
San Jose	8	10	8	32	49	45
Real Salt Lake	**9**	**11**	**4**	**31**	**26**	**30**
Colorado	8	11	6	30	31	39
FC Dallas	7	11	7	28	37	45
Houston	7	11	7	28	32	41
Sporting Kansas City	6	13	6	24	36	47
St Louis City	5	14	6	21	27	41
LA Galaxy	3	14	7	16	28	48

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Saturday's Games
Atlanta 1, CF Montréal 1, tie
New England 2, D.C. United 0
Columbus at New York City FC ppd.
Toronto FC 1, Philadelphia 1, tie
Houston 2, Austin FC 2, tie
Los Angeles FC 2, Chicago 2, tie
FC Dallas 2, Portland 0
St Louis City 3, Nashville 1
San Diego FC 2, Sporting Kansas City 0
San Jose 2, Vancouver 1

Sunday's Games
Charlotte FC at Cincinnati, late
Colorado at Minnesota, late
Real Salt Lake at New York, late
Miami at Orlando City, late
Seattle at LA Galaxy, late

NFL

McCarthy returns to help lead Vikings to preseason win

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MINNEAPOLIS — J.J. McCarthy was solid in his brief return for the Vikings, going 4 of 7 for 30 yards while leading a scoring drive in his only series and Minnesota topped Houston in the teams' preseason opener.

McCarthy, who missed all of his rookie season after tearing the meniscus in his right knee in last year's first preseason game, took the field to a rousing ovation from the home crowd.

The first-round pick in last year's NFL draft out of Michigan completed his first four passes, three to Jordan Addison, who made a sliding grab for an 18-yard gain on one. McCarthy also ran 8 yards for a first down on fourth-and-4 at the Texans 43 to keep alive a 13-play, 58-yard scoring drive that was capped by Will Reichard's 48-yard field goal that put the Vikings up 3-0.

Houston's Davis Mills, who got the start at quarterback when head coach DeMeco Ryans elected to sit starter C.J. Stroud, then marched the Texans 74 yards in 10 plays — capped by a 14-yard touchdown pass to Braxton Berrios.

McCarthy was replaced by backup Sam Howell before the Vikings' second possession. Howell played the rest of the first half, finishing 11 of 13 for 105 yards. He led Minnesota to a pair of scores: a 38-yard field goal by Reichard and a 1-yard touchdown run that gave the Vikings a 13-7 halftime lead.

RAMS 31, COWBOYS 21

INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Stetson Bennett passed for 188 yards and two touchdowns in a strong start to the preseason, leading Los Angeles to a victory over the Cowboys in new Dallas head coach Brian Schottenheimer's debut.

Blake Corum rushed for short TDs to cap the Rams' first two offensive drives behind Bennett, the two-time national champion at the University of Georgia attempting to secure his job as the Rams' third-string quarterback for another season.

Looking much sharper than he did a year ago against the Cowboys, Bennett went 16 for 24 and hit Cody Schrader and Brennan Presley for touchdowns in the second half. Bennett's only interception resulted from an exceptional play made by Dallas' Israel Mukuamu on a long pass.

Joe Milton passed for 143 yards before injuring his elbow in the fourth quarter of a solid debut with the Cowboys, throwing a touchdown pass to Rivaldo Fairweather with 8:48 to play. The second-year pro, who had one interception while going 17 for 29, is looking to cement his job as Dak Prescott's backup.

Will Grier replaced Milton for the final series and rushed for a TD with 2:31 left.

BUCCANEERS 29, TITANS 7

TAMPA, Fla. — Cam Ward's pro debut was solid, if unspectacular.

The first overall pick in this year's NFL draft completed five of eight passes for 67 yards, but more importantly was composed and looked comfortable running Tennessee's offense in the Titans' preseason-opening loss to Tampa Bay.

Two days after working against the Bucs defense in a joint practice at Tampa Bay's training facility, Ward played three offensive series, including an impressive second-quarter touchdown drive that gave the Titans a glimpse of what the franchise is counting on to be a bright future with him at quarterback.

The 6-foot-2, 219-pound rookie completed three passes to Calvin Ridley to account for all but 15 yards on the 11-play, 65-yard TD drive Tony Pollard finished with a 1-yard scoring run. That came after the Tennessee offense spent more than 14 minutes of the opening quarter on the sideline while Tampa Bay was building a 10-0 lead and a whopping 143-5 advantage in total yardage while running 22 plays to Tennessee's 3.

Ward began his team's only scoring drive with a 27-yard completion over the middle to a wide-open Ridley and later led his target cutting across the middle again with a nice throw for a 13-yard gain into Tampa Bay territory. The rookie got away with his worst throw of the night when Bucs cornerback Josh Hayes made a nice adjustment on a sideline throw intended for receiver Elic Ayomanor but was unable to hang on to the ball for an interception.

Ward, who had no turnovers and was not sacked, left the game after leading one more drive that ended with a punt. Backup Brandon Allen entered to kneel down on the final play of the first half, then shared playing time after halftime with Tim Boyle.

STEELERS 31, JAGUARS 25

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Travis Hunter's professional debut included 10 snaps on offense, eight on defense and no highlights.

The Heisman Trophy winner and second overall pick in the NFL draft was relatively quiet in Jacksonville's loss to Pittsburgh in a preseason game. He caught two passes for 9 yards, with a long gain of 6, and missed an open-field tackle.

Hunter did, however, have a front-row seat for the most exciting play of the night: Cam Little drilled a 70-yard field goal on the final play of the first half, a kick that would have broken the NFL record had it happened during the regular season.

Little and the Jaguars celebrated widely as the half ended. Holder Logan Cooke lifted both arms shortly after the ball took flight. Little leaned forward a little and then raised an arm as it cleared the crossbar.

Cooke pushed Little to start the party, and then Hunter greeted Little on the field with a midair body-bump.

Baltimore's Justin Tucker holds the NFL mark, having made a 66-yarder at Detroit in 2021.



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Minnesota Vikings quarterback J.J. McCarthy takes a snap during the first half of an NFL preseason football game against the Houston Texans on Saturday in Minneapolis.

JETS 30, PACKERS 10

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Justin Fields ran for a 13-yard touchdown in his lone series and New York defeated Green Bay in the preseason opener for both teams.

New Jets coach Aaron Glenn, the former Detroit Lions defensive coordinator, said he wanted to win this game even though it was a mere exhibition. Fields and an opportunistic defense helped make that happen.

Fields joined the Jets in March on a two-year, $40 million contract after making a combined 44 starts with the Chicago Bears (2021-23) and Pittsburgh Steelers (2024). He engineered a 10-play, 79-yard drive in his first game with his new team.

On third-and-5, Fields ran his way out of a collapsing pocket, made a move to get past Keisean Nixon's diving tackle attempt and got into the right corner of the end zone. Fields also went 3 of 4 through the air for 42 yards, including a 24-yard completion to Andrew Beck.

Packers quarterback Jordan Love went 1 of 5 for 7 yards and neither of the two drives he led resulted in any points. Love overthrew Luke Musgrave on a deep route across the middle and a couple of his other passes were dropped.

CARDINALS 20, CHIEFS 17

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Patrick Mahomes needed just 48 seconds on the field to get his preseason off to a good start.

Mahomes — a three-time Super Bowl champ entering his ninth season with Kansas City — took advantage of a short field after Arizona fumbled the opening kickoff, hitting Jason Brownlee for a 1-yard touchdown and an early 7-0 lead.

Arizona rallied for a win over Kansas City in the preseason opener for both teams.

The TD pass was Mahomes' only completion of the game, ending a brief, effective outing. Backup Gardner Minshew took over on the next series and ran for a 2-yard touchdown in the second quarter. Harrison Butker made a 58-yard field goal.

Mahomes' final line: 1-for-1 passing for 1 yard and one touchdown. The three-time defending AFC champions were playing for the first time since losing last season's Super Bowl 40-22 to the Philadelphia Eagles.

While Kansas City got off to a good start, Arizona's starters were a little sloppy.

The Cardinals fumbled their first two kickoff returns, though they recovered the second one. Kyler Murray — playing in his first preseason game since 2021 — was intercepted on the offense's opening drive on a pass intended for second-year receiver Marvin Harrison Jr.

Murray's second drive was hindered when tight end Tip Reiman was called for a 15-yard penalty for unnecessary roughness. The miscue was part of the reason the Cardinals had to settle for a 33-yard field goal by Chad Ryland.

BRONCOS 30, 49ERS 9

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — Jarrett Stidham threw two TD passes following a lackluster performance from Bo Nix and Denver's starters, and the Broncos beat San Francisco in the preseason opener.

The teams approached the game very differently following a joint practice on Thursday when top players from both teams got plenty of work. San Francisco played only a handful of starters in the game, while Denver played most of its front-line players for at least a few series.

Nix and the offense had three possessions with the first ending in a punt, the second a safety following an intentional grounding penalty in the end zone and then a field goal on a drive that started in San Francisco territory.

The Broncos' first-team offense managed 56 yards on 18 plays with Nix going 6 for 11 for 31 yards in his first game action in his second season.

Nix threw 29 TD passes as a rookie to help Denver make the postseason for the first time since 2015 and coach Sean Payton is counting on an even bigger performance this season as the Broncos look to contend in the tough AFC.

Denver's starting defense also wasn't sharp, allowing a 50-yard pass from Mac Jones to rookie Jordan Watkins on the first drive that set up a 5-yard TD run by Patrick Taylor.

Edge rusher Nik Bonitto shined on the next drive with two sacks and a pressure to force a punt.

Braves hit 3 homers; beat Marlins 7-1

BY CHARLES ODUM
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Matt Olson, Marcell Ozuna and Michael Harris II hit home runs to support a strong start from Joey Wentz and the Atlanta Braves beat the Miami Marlins 7-1 on Sunday.

Jen Pawol, who made history in Saturday's doubleheader as the first female umpire to work a regular-season game in the majors, was behind the plate.

Pawol earned compliments for her work on the bases in Saturday's games. She received more support from fans on Sunday. Some held up "Way to go Jen!" signs. Though she was more in the spotlight while calling balls and strikes, Pawol made her work look routine.



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Home plate umpire Jen Pawol calls a strike during the first inning of a baseball game between the Miami Marlins and Atlanta Braves on Sunday in Atlanta.

Wentz (1-2) allowed one run in 5 1/3 innings for his first win since the left-hander was claimed by the Braves off waivers from Minnesota on July 11.

The Braves, who swept Saturday's doubleheader, won four of five games in a series that included a rescheduled game forced by a rain postponement on April 6.

Derek Hill hit a two-out double off Wentz in the second and scored on Liam Hicks' single.

Ozuna hit a three-run homer and Harris added a solo shot off Tyler Zuber in the seventh.

Key moment

Jurickson Profar, who had two hits, gave Atlanta a 2-1 lead with a run-scoring double off Tyler Phillips (1-1) in the fifth. Profar scored on Phillips' second wild pitch.



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The New York Mets' Pete Alonso hits a solo home run during the second inning of a baseball game against the Milwaukee Brewers on Saturday in Milwaukee.

Alonso

From B1

Giancarlo Stanton, now with the New York Yankees, holds the Miami mark with 267 for the Marlins.

Strawberry broke the previous Mets record with his 155th home run on May 3, 1988, passing Dave Kingman. The sweet-swinging outfielder hit 252 in 1,109 games for New York during his first eight major league seasons from 1983-90. He later played for the Dodgers, Giants and Yankees, finishing his 17-year career with 335 homers.

The 30-year-old Alonso played his 963rd game Saturday night. The durable first baseman has appeared in 370 straight, a team record.

The Diamondbacks and Padres are the lone major league clubs that haven't had a player hit more than 252 homers for them. Luis Gonzalez holds the Arizona record with 224, and Machado entered Saturday with 187 for San Diego.

OCEAN RACE EUROPE

Two boats collide at start of race

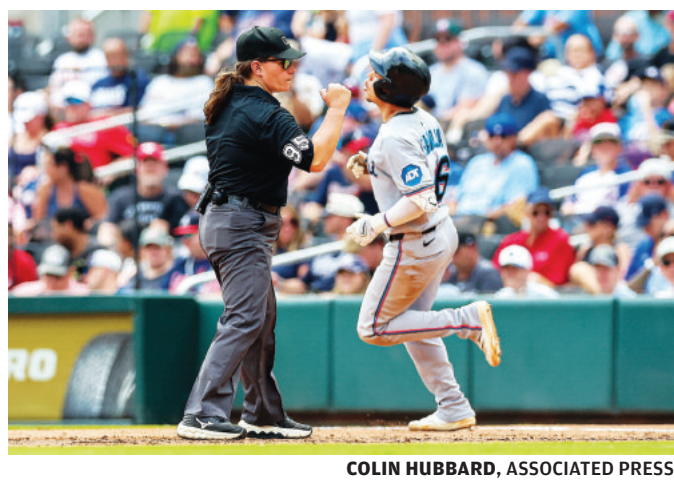
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KIEL, Germany — Two boats collided moments after the start of the Ocean Race Europe on Sunday and had to return to port for repairs.

Organizers said all crew members were unharmed after contact between Holcim PRB (Switzerland) and Allagrande MAPEI Racing (Italy). Footage showed Mapei's sail badly torn following the incident in the race's first leg in Kiel, Germany. Both teams were assessing their repairs, organizers said.

Conditions were expected to be intense for the first 24 hours of the race with strong winds and fast speeds until boats reached the north of Denmark.

The race then has legs in Portsmouth (England), Matosinhos (Portugal), Cartagena (Spain), Nice (France) and Genoa (Italy) before its scheduled ending at Boka Bay in Montenegro in mid-September.



COLIN HUBBARD, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Umpire Jen Pawol, left, signals the Miami Marlins' Javier Sanoja, right, out at first base in the eighth inning of the first baseball game of a doubleheader against the Atlanta Braves on Saturday in Atlanta.

Giants

From B1

"That's about what I thought he would do. Efficient, effective, aggressive, confident in the pocket," Daboll said. "Some stuff we can work on, but he's doing good."

The outcome was decided with the teams trading leads four times in the second half of their respective preseason openers.

New York backup kicker Jude McAtamney scored the go-ahead points, hitting a 42-yard field goal with 7:13 remaining.

Bills third stringer Mike White threw two second-half touchdown passes, including a 39-yarder on fourth-and-4 to K.J. Hamler.

Giants third stringer Jameis Winston led three second-half possessions and went 7 of 11 for 62 yards, including a 7-yard completion to Gunner Olszewski. Tommy DeVito mopped up by going 10 of 14 for 73 yards and a 8-yard touchdown to Jonathan Ward.

Otherwise the focus was on Dart's outing.

His touchdown capped a seven-play, 80-yard drive with a perfectly placed pass to Humphrey, who brought in the contested ball in stride at the goal line, a step ahead of defender Dane Jackson.

Dart showed off his running ability on a 19-yard scramble. And he played without fear on a run-pass-option call in which he faked a handoff to Devin Singletary, stepped aside to avoid oncoming rusher Michael Hoecht, before completing a pass to Greg Dulcich, who was tackled for no gain.



JEFFREY T. BARNES, ASSOCIATED PRESS

New York Giants quarterback Russell Wilson (3) throws a pass over Buffalo Bills' Joey Bosa (97) during the first half of an NFL preseason football game on Saturday in Orchard Park, N.Y.

"He's a confident young player," Daboll said. "He's improved since he's been here. Still got a long way to go, but I enjoy working with him."

This is what the Giants were counting on in signing Wilson, now on his fourth team in 14 years, and trading three draft picks to move back into the first round to select Dart 25th overall.

New York is starting from scratch at quarterback following a 3-14 record and an offense that finished 30th in the NFL in yards per play and 31st in averaging 10 points per outing.

The five-time defending AFC East champion Bills, meantime, have no questions at quarterback in providing NFL MVP Josh Allen a day off.

Primary backup Mitch Trubisky went 9 of 13 for 138 yards, including an 11-yard touchdown to Dawson Knox in playing the entire first half. His 58-yard completion to Tyrell Shavers set up newly signed kicker Caden Davis hitting a 24-yard field goal to close the first half.

Buffalo signed Davis a day earlier with Tyler Bass sidelined by a pelvis injury.

Running back Ray Davis also got involved in the kicking game by hitting the point-after attempt following Knox's score.

"You know, you never know, right? I just feel like, what if it happens in a game?" Bills coach Sean McDermott said of giving his running back a chance to test his leg in a competitive setting. "Ray takes a lot of pride in things. In particular, playing running back, being a great teammate, and then in this case, kicking."

Up next

Giants: Hold two joint practices with New York Jets before hosting their Big Apple rivals on Saturday.

Bills: Hold a joint practice at Chicago in the leadup to game against the Bears on Saturday.

Pawol

From B1

Pawol also showed she will make animated calls. When Miami's Xavier Edwards grounded into a double play in the third inning, Pawol pumped her fist and lifted her leg when she called Edwards out.

Pawol couldn't help but notice her debut was being watched closely. Fans responded with a warm ovation when the video board focused on the umpire between innings, forcing her to take a quick glance at her image.

Pawol worked third base in the second game of the doubleheader. She will be in the spotlight when she calls pitches behind the plate in Sunday's final game of the series. As a rover, she'll then be waiting for her next assignment.

While she waits, the umpire cap she wore in her first game will be on the way to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

"This is one of the proudest moments in all my career," crew chief Chris Guccione said. "I've been blessed with working playoffs, I've worked two World Series, All-Star games, and this is right up there. It gives me chills even thinking about it. And the magnitude, it just hit me just now the magnitude of this thing and how hard she's worked.

"This is just a great role model for girls and women out there and I'm just so proud of her. This is a special moment. I'm so proud of her."

There was much anticipation for her historic debut on Saturday. A crowd of photographers gathered while waiting for the umpires to walk onto the field from their entry ramp near the Marlins dugout.

McCullough and Braves bench coach Walt Weiss greeted Pawol when lineups were exchanged at home plate before the game. Pawol then jogged down the first base line. She shook hands with Marlins first base coach Tyler Smarslok before taking her position on the right field line for the first pitch.

Pawol said Thursday she was "overcome with emotion" when notified she would make her Major League Baseball debut this weekend.

Pawol, 48, has been working in the minor leagues since she was assigned to the Gulf Coast League in 2016. She was assigned the Triple-A championship game in 2023 and worked spring training games in 2024 and again this year.

"Anytime anybody grinds their way through the minor leagues, I don't care who it is, that's a tough thing," Snitker said. "I'm happy for anybody who grinds it out."

Asked if she is prepared for a confrontation with a manager upset about a call, including some known to kick dirt onto umpires, Pawol said it wouldn't be the first time.

"More than dozens of times," she said. "It doesn't go very well for him. The night is usually over for him. It's just part of the game."

Pawol, who is from New Jersey, had only a few days to prepare for Saturday's doubleheader. She said she was told of her long-awaited promotion during a Wednesday conference call with director of umpire development Rich Rieker and vice president of umpire operations Matt McKendry.

Pawol was a three-time all-conference softball selection pick at Hofstra. She worked as an NCAA softball umpire from 2010-16.

Pawol's rise to make MLB history came 28 years after the NBA gender barrier for game officials was broken and 10 years after the NFL hired its first full-time female official. The men's soccer World Cup first hired a female referee three years ago. The NHL has not had any women as on-ice officials.

Susuki

From B1

Before Suzuki's arrival, Hall of Famer Randy Johnson also donned No. 51 for nine seasons in Seattle.

Johnson threw the franchise's first no-hitter in 1990 and won the Mariners' first Cy Young Award in 1995. After departing Seattle in 1998, The Big Unit added four more Cy Youngs and a World Series title with the Arizona Diamondbacks.

"For nine years, that was the only number I had in Japan," Suzuki said. "(No.) 51 was my identity. But I knew that number already had a rich history here."

But Seattle won't forget Johnson's legacy. The club announced that in 2026 they will also retire Johnson's No. 51, a unique and rare honor shared by two icons in the Pacific Northwest.

"I'm grateful to Randy for attending my ceremony today," Suzuki said. "It will be a great honor to attend his next season."

After brief stints with the New York Yankees (2012–14) and Miami Marlins (2015–17), Suzuki returned to Seattle in 2018 and officially retired in 2019 following a two-game series in Tokyo.

As Suzuki made his way in from center field, chants of "Ich-i-ro! Ich-i-ro!" echoed throughout a sold-out crowd. He was awaited by former teammates and Mariners Hall of Fame members Johnson, Griffey, Jay Buhner, Alvin Davis, Felix Hernandez, Edgar Martinez and Dan Wilson.



LINDSEY WASSON, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fireworks go off for former Seattle Mariners right fielder Ichiro Suzuki during his jersey retirement ceremony on Saturday before a baseball game between the Mariners and the Tampa Bay Rays in Seattle.

"I'm also damn proud to be a Seattle Mariner," Suzuki said, referencing Griffey's 2016 Hall of Fame induction speech.

Chairman John Stanton announced that the Mariners will place a statue of Suzuki at T-Mobile Park in 2026. He said it will feature his iconic batting stance pose.

Suzuki has remained a fixture with the Mariners, serving as a special assistant to Stanton. Suzuki is often seen in full uniform, working out with players during pregame routines in Seattle.

"Although I can no longer help you with a hit or laser beam throw, my will and desire is always there for you," Suzuki said.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Aug. 11, the 223rd day of 2025. There are 142 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history

On Aug. 11, 1934, the first federal prisoners arrived at Alcatraz Island, a former military prison, in San Francisco Bay; the island would be home to more than 1,500 prisoners over the next three decades, including gangsters Al Capone and James "Whitey" Bulger, before closing in 1963.

On this date

In 1919, Germany's Weimar Constitution was signed by President Friedrich Ebert.

In 1929, Babe Ruth became the first baseball player to reach 500 career home runs with a homer at Cleveland's League Park.

In 1949, President Harry S. Truman nominated General Omar N. Bradley to become the first chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

In 1952, Hussein bin Talal was proclaimed King of Jordan, beginning a reign lasting nearly 47 years.

In 1956, abstract painter Jackson Pollock died in an automobile accident on Long Island, New York at age 44.

In 1965, rioting that claimed 34 lives and lasted six days broke out in the Watts neighborhood of Los Angeles.

In 1972, the last U.S. ground combat troops in South Vietnam left to return to the United States.

In 1973, at a house party in the Bronx, 18-year-old DJ Kool Herc began extending the musical breaks of the records he was playing and speaking over the beat, marking the (unofficial) birth of hip-hop music.

In 1992, the Mall of America, the nation's largest shopping and entertainment center, opened in Bloomington, Minnesota.

In 1997, President Bill Clinton made the first use of the historic line-item veto, rejecting three items in spending and tax bills. (The U.S. Supreme Court later struck down the veto as unconstitutional.)

In 2012, more than 300 people were killed and more than 3,000 injured after earthquakes struck near Tabriz, Iran.

In 2014, Academy Award-winning actor and comedian Robin Williams died in Tiburon, California at age 63.

Famous Hand

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 10 9 8 7
♥ K 10 9
♦ K Q 4 2
♣ K 7

WEST
♠ Q 5
♥ J 8 3 2
♦ 6
♣ Q 10 9 5 4 2

EAST
♠ 6 4
♥ 7 6 5
♦ J 10 7 5 3
♣ J 6 3

SOUTH
♠ A K J 3 2
♥ A Q 4
♦ A 9 8
♣ A 8

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
2 ♣	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
5 NT	Pass	7 ♠	

Opening lead — ten of clubs.

This was the very first deal of the 72-board final of the 1970 Vanderbilt Teams — and an exciting deal it was!

At the first table, with Sidney Lazard and George Rapee North-South, the bidding went as shown. Two clubs was artificial and forcing, and two notrump showed either three kings or an ace and a king.

Three spades and four diamonds were natural. Five notrump was the Grand Slam Force accepting diamonds as trump and asking partner to bid seven with two of the three top diamond honors. Lazard therefore bid seven, but, of course, in spades — the suit he had intended to support all along.

Rapee won the opening club lead and made the percentage play of cashing the A-K of spades, catching the queen to score 1,510 points.

At the second table, the bidding was altogether different:

South	West	North	East
2 ♣	3 ♣	Pass	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	6 ♠	Pass
7 ♠			

Here the irrepressible Eric Murray entered the fray as West with a three-club bid. It is said of Murray that he does not need 13 points to bid; all he needs is 13 cards.

Murray's overcall had a devastating effect on the play. Declarer won the club lead with the ace, cashed the ace of spades, crossed to the king of clubs, led the ten of spades and let it ride to go down one for a total team loss of 1,560 points.

Declarer assumed that since Murray had very few high-card points for his three-club bid, he was sure to have unbalanced distribution — including probably a singleton spade. Declarer was right about the singleton, but, unfortunately, it was in diamonds, not spades.

Tomorrow: Get me to the bank on time.

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Answers to Previous Puzzle

	D	A	B	S		V	A	M	P		U	S	T	A
P	I	L	O	T		E	T	A	S		M	P	E	G
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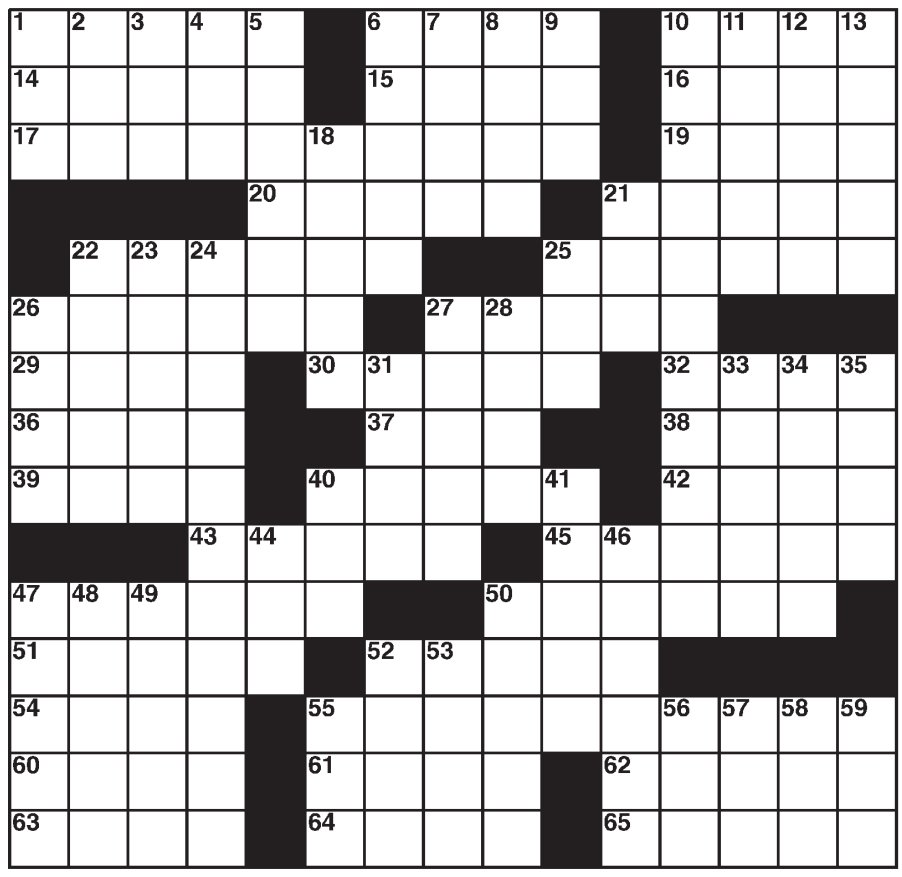
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ACROSS

1 Gulf Coast Florida city
6 Queen in Disney's *Frozen*
10 "Head" atop beer
14 Commit a theft
15 Earth's natural satellite
16 School near Beverly Hills: Abbr.
17 "Popped" snack made in large pots
19 Astronaut Armstrong
20 Took a nap
21 Cobra or python
22 Ebb, as the tide
25 Parts of a play
26 Cool and calm
27 Go bad, as milk
29 Prophetic sign
30 Boca __, FL
32 "Sidewalk" eatery
36 "__ your own business!"
37 The "F" of FYI
38 Improved with time, as cheese
39 Website for crafts
40 Removed the rind from
42 Fuzzy brown fruit
43 Clock's wake-up sound
45 Eggs-and-cheese breakfast
47 Fruits grown on vines
50 Not as distant
51 Freeway exits
52 White heron
54 Revered role model
55 Black-and-white cookies cooked in hot oil
60 Sign on the dotted __
61 Feels poorly
62 Untrustworthy person
63 Fireplace inserts
64 Clean and orderly
65 Retail shop

DOWN

1 Sound of disapproval
2 Had a meal
3 Got together with
4 Small butter portion
5 Fully ready
6 Quiz show host
7 Slacks' belt holder
8 Arrange in order
9 Raggedy doll
10 Sweet treats made from cooking batter in hot oil
11 Atlantic or Pacific
12 Look __ (resemble each other)
13 Men and boys
18 Born first
21 __-fi (outer space stories)
22 Mail away payment
23 Blissful places
24 Red fruits coated in sugary shells
25 Boy in a family
26 __ of the time (occasionally)
27 Hurricane or blizzard
28 Tiny skin opening
31 At a great distance
33 Physically nimble
34 Not as many
35 Modify, as writing
40 Faux __ (minor mistake)
41 Meted (out)
44 __ *Misérables*
46 Engines
47 Barbecue appliance
48 AM/FM device
49 In the middle of
50 Top of a wave
52 A Great Lake
53 __ monster (Arizona lizard)
55 Room cooler with blades
56 Go bad, as fruit
57 Sense of self
58 "...that __ flag was still there"
59 Have in view



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MONDAY EVENING 8/11/25

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
(2)	News (N)	ET (N)	Neighbor	Neighbor	FBI "A New Day"		Watson		News (N)	(:37) Colbert (N)	
(4)	ABC4 News at 6pm (N)		Bachelor in Paradise (N)				(:02) Match Game		ABC4 News	(:35) J. Kimmel (N)	
(5)	KSL 5 News	KSL 5 News	American Ninja Warrior Finals 2 (N)				Survival Mode (N)		KSL 5 News	(:34) Tonight Show (N)	
(7)	PBS News Hour (N)		Antiques Roadshow		Antiques Roadshow		Puppy School		Served?	R. Steves	Cinema
(9)	Roadtrip	Start Up	DW News	Asia Insight	AI	American	Headwaters Down		Laura	To Dine For	Mind
(11)	(:02) Ruby and the Well		★★★ The Odd Life of Timothy Green		(:42) Lunch		Silverpoin	(:46) Lunch	Heartland	(:44) Heartland	
(13)	Inside Ed.	Hollywood	The 1% Club		The Quiz With Balls		News (N) (Live)		ModFam	ModFam	(:05) Seinfeld
(14)	Wheel	Jeopardy!	ARC Salt L	ET (N)	48 Hours (N)		2News at 9	Fresh	Dateline		48 Hours
(16)	Fox13 News	News (N)	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Someone They Knew		Someone They Knew		FOX13 News at Nine		Tropical-
(24)	TCT Today	Joyce M.	Prop. Conn	Life Today	Pathway to	Jewish	A.Wommack	Ask the Pastor		CrossTalk	News (P)
(30)	Big Bang	Big Bang	ABC 4 News	Friends	Penn & Teller: Fool Us		Whose	Whose	Friends	Friends	Two Men
A&E	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD (N)	Live PD (N)	(:01) Live PD
AMC	★★★ Uncle Buck (1989) Amy Madigan, John Candy.				(:15) ★★★ The Great Outdoors (1988) Dan Aykroyd.				(:15) National Lampoon's Vacation		
ANPL	Harpoon Hunters		Harpoon Hunters		Harpoon "Fog of War"		Harpoon Hunters		Harpoon Hunters		Harpoon
CNBC	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Greed
DISC	Contraband: Seized		Contraband: Seized		Contraband: Seized		Contraband: Seized		Contraband: Seized (N)		Contraband
DISN	Bluey	Bluey	Bluey	Big City	Big City	Dream (N)	ZOMBIES 4: Dawn of the Vampires		(:40) Electric	(:05) Electric	
ESPN	Fantasy Football Now (N) (Live)						SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportCtr
FREE	(4:45) ★★★★ Avatar: The Way of Water (2022) Zoe Saldaña, Sam Worthington.						★★★★ Spider-Man: Far From Home (2019) Tom Holland.				
FX	(5:00) Alien vs. Predator		★★★ Aliens vs. Predator: Requiem (2007)				★★★★ Prey (2022) Amber Midthunder.				Prey
GOLF	U.S. Open Epics		PGA Tour Golf FedEx St. Jude Championship, Final Round From TPC Southwind in Memphis, Tenn.								
HALL	Love & Jane (2024) Alison Sweeney.				Gold. Girls	Gold. Girls	Gold. Girls	Gold. Girls	Gold. Girls	Gold. Girls	Reba
HBO	(:05) The Gilded Age		(:18) Last Week To.		(:59) Yogurt Murder		The Gilded Age		(:12) ★★★ A Minecraft Movie (2025)		
LIFE	Dr. Pimple Popper		Dr. Pimple Popper (N)		(:03) A Sorority (N) (P)		(:03) Dr. Pimple Popper		(:01) Dr. Pimple Popper		Dr.Pimple
MAX	(5:40) ★★★★ My Cousin Rachel		(:26) Cut Bank (2014)				★★★ Mechanic: Resurrection (2016)		(:39) ★★★ Dredd (2012)		
NICK	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang
PARMT	★★★★ Gladiator (2000) Joaquin Phoenix, Connie Nielsen, Russell Crowe.							★★★★ Django Unchained (2012) Jamie Foxx.			
PARSHO	(4:25) ★★★★ Gladiator		★★★★ Full Metal Jacket (1987) Matthew Modine.				Dexter "Cats and Mouse"		The Infernal Machine (2022)		
STAR	(:55) ★★ The Strangers: Chapter 1		★★★ Five Nights at Freddy's (2023)				(:21) ★★★ Bad Moms (2016) Mila Kunis.				Outlander
STZEN	Movie	(:34) ★★★ Retribution (2023)			(:09) ★★★ Takers (2010) Paul Walker, Matt Dillon.				★★ Borderlands (2024)		
SYFY	★★★★ John Wick (2014) Keanu Reeves.				★★★★ John Wick: Chapter 2 (2017) Common, Keanu Reeves.				John Wick: Chapter 3 –...		
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	American	American	American
TLC	Match Me Abroad		90 Day: Hunt for Love		90 Day: Hunt for Love		90 Day: Hunt for Love (N)				90 Day (N)
TMC	(4:15) Once Upon a Tim...		(:05) Organ Trail (2023) Zoé De Grand Maison.				★★★ The Mist (2007) Thomas Jane.				Movie
TNT	(5:45) ★★★ Meg 2: The Trench (2023)				(:15) ★★★ Black Adam (2022) Aldis Hodge, Pierce Brosnan, The Rock.						Cold Case
TOON	King/Hill	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU "Complicated"		Law-SVU

NIGHT OWL

11:30 p.m.
(7) View Finders
(9) Story in the Public Square
(24) Jerusalem Dateline
(30) Two and a Half Men
TOON Family Guy
DISN Electric Bloom
HALL Reba
TBS American Dad!
A&E Live PD: Police Patrol

11:35 p.m.
(13) Seinfeld
NICK The Big Bang Theory
(4) Nightline
(5) Late Night With Seth Meyers

11:40 p.m.
(2) After Midnight

11:45 p.m.
STZENC Movie "Ghosts of Mars"

11:55 p.m.
HBO The Yogurt Shop Murders

12 a.m.
(7) Margaret: The Rebel Princess
(9) Native Report
(14) True Crime News
(16) Hudson & Rex
(24) Stem Cell Activators with Joseph Christiano ND
(30) The Neighborhood
ANPL Harpoon Hunters
TOON Family Guy
CNBC Dateline
DISN Jessie
ESPN SportsCenter
FREE The 700 Club
GOLF Golf Central
HALL Reba
PARSHO Dexter: Resurrection
TBS American Dad!
TLC Match Me Abroad
TNT Cold Case
USA Resident Alien
DISC Contraband: Seized at the Border

12:05 a.m.
A&E Live PD: Police Patrol
LIFE A Sorority Mom's Guide to Rush
(13) The Conners
(4) InvestigateTV+

12:10 a.m.
NICK The Big Bang Theory
(11) Highway to Heaven

12:15 a.m.
AMC Nautilus
MAX Movie "The Huntsman: Winter's War"

12:25 a.m.
STAR Outlander: Blood of my Blood

12:30 a.m.
(9) Museum Access
(14) Crime Exposé With Nancy O'Dell
(24) Stakelbeck Tonight
(30) The Neighborhood
TOON Rick and Morty
DISN Jessie
HALL Reba
TBS American Dad!

12:35 a.m.
A&E Live PD: Police Patrol
(13) The Simpsons
(4) iCRIME With Elizabeth Vargas
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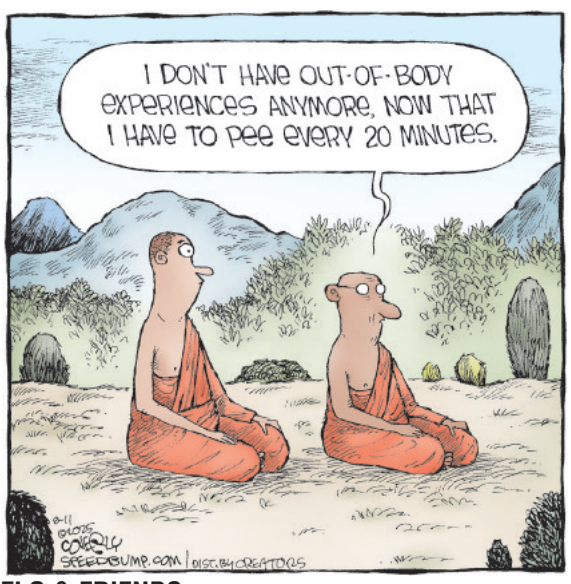
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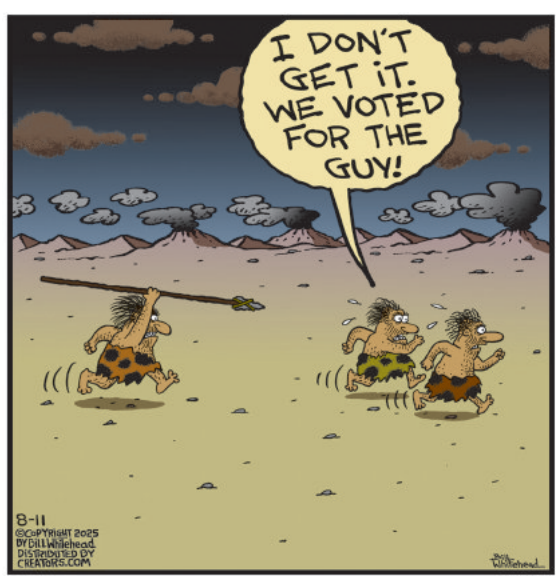
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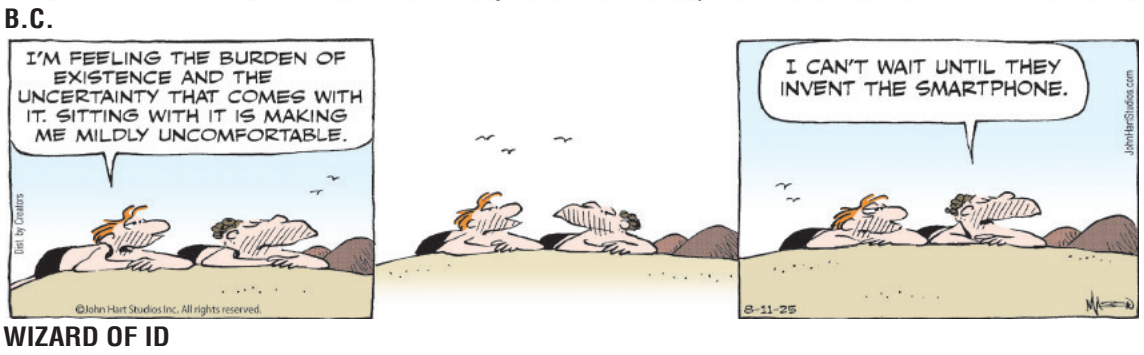
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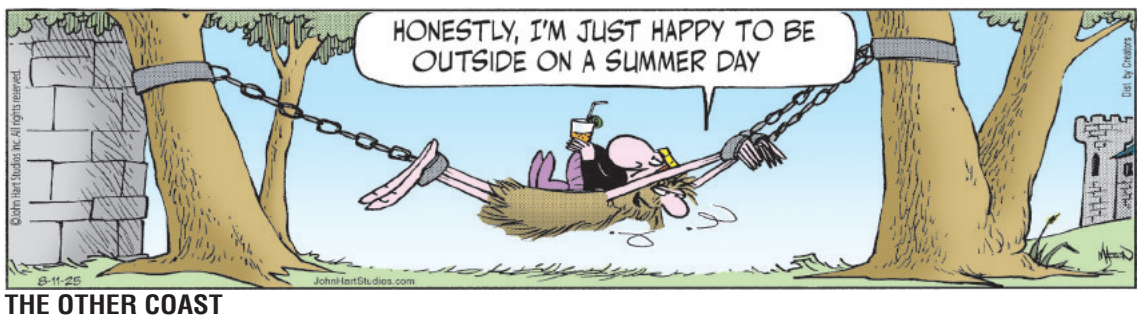
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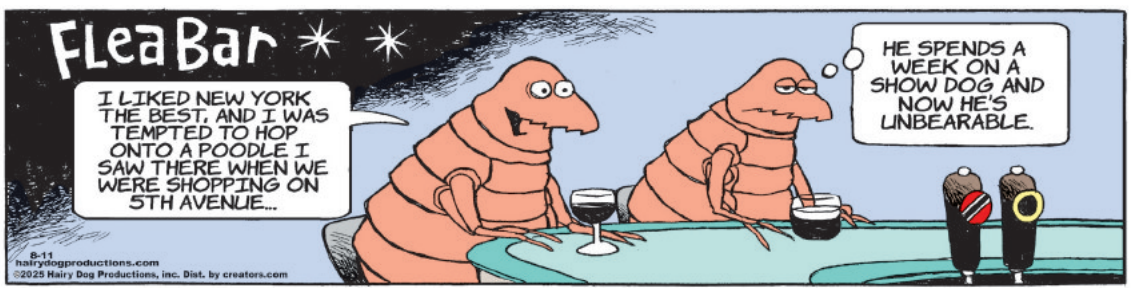
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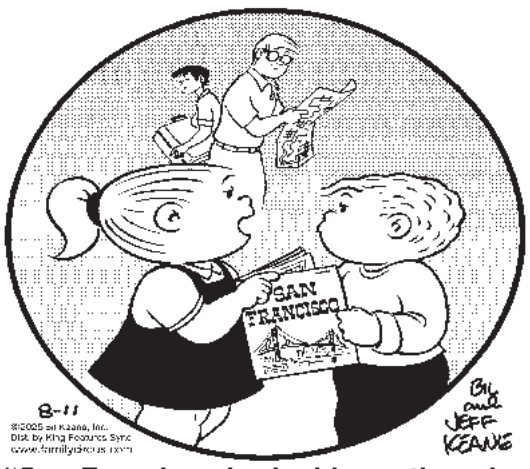
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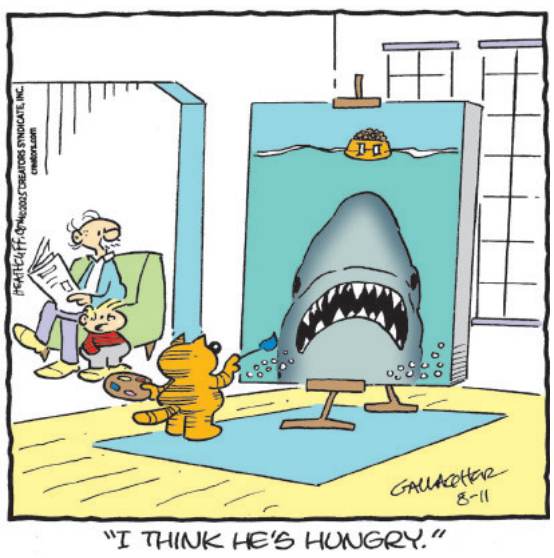


FAMILY CIRCUS



"San Francisco had a big earthquake when Mrs. O'Leary kicked over a lantern at the Cow Palace."

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"I THINK HE'S HUNGRY."

JANRIC CLASSIC SUDOKU

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 block. Use logic and process elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

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Rating: BRONZE

Solution to 8/9/25

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HOROSCOPES

The gift of a Mercury flip

Mercury has been in retrograde so long now, we've gone deaf to the beep of his backup alert system. Still, there's a peace that comes with today's gear shift — a moment of silence that lends itself to a glorious exhale. Feel that sense of relief that rushes in to fill the being? *Ahhh,* clarity. Then here comes the opportunity to close a loop, emotionally or otherwise, with elegance.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll be faced with a complex problem. First, strip away everything that's unnecessary. Once you're at the bare bones of the idea, the relationship, the task, ask, "How can I elevate this?" Hint: Nothing elevates like lightness. Levity lifts.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll be making plans that involve many. Think about what's worked before. Stick to tradition in some ways. Veer from it in others. Build on it throughout. Because you think things through, you just might do the impossible and please everyone.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Stuck in a loop of judgment or comparison? Stop trying to figure yourself out right now. Instead, pour your energy into doing what absorbs you — a project, a task, anything that lets you forget yourself for a while.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A special connection feels easy and unguarded. You're not managing the vibe, you're living in it. You'll say the thing, ask the question, or lean in close, just because that's what feels natural to you both.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You've already arrived at the "cool." No need to chase what you already are. But yours is the kind of cool that doesn't wear sunglasses indoors or speak in aphorisms. Yours is the cool of quiet mastery, of fully lived experience.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). One good move inspires another. It's like you were built for this and so you in turn build from it. Structures rise and solidify as your instinct locks into what works — taking daily steps to support you along your journey.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll wonder if you could be more successful in a different position or with other work. The financial aspect aside, an effective criterion by which to determine the right position for you will be the job's capacity to add value, depth and richness to your life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll be in a position to bear witness. Keep in mind there are those who will try to get away with anything and everything they can. Where justice is denied, everyone suffers. When you uphold justice, you do it for all.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Explaining things well will be important today because people are either listening so closely they are apt to catch the slightest mistakes and discrepancies, or they are listening badly and only the most concentrated truth will shine through.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). In matters of safety or legality, or problems of medicine or math, great accuracy will be important. But for most things your approximations will be enough. Your negotiations will sing. Your freeform is just the form that works best.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Talk about potential mistakes because you can prevent many. When told about a pitfall to avoid, people are open, curious and into the problem-solving. When told that they made a mistake, people turn defensive and jump to justifications.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). More than one person gives you something to solve. Blame it on your excellence — the fate of one who is known to have answers. Remember it's also OK to have answers like, "not today" or "I don't know" or simply "no."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 11). You're someone rare. Someone self-aware enough to hold complexity without flinching. Someone who turns over every rock of the soul not to suffer, but to understand. One can never quite feel one's own rarity completely, but you'll glimpse, honor and be honored for it this year. More highlights: entrepreneurship, financial comforts, professional promotion and deeply joyful relationship harmony. Virgo and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 15, 49, 12 and 13.

BEETLE BAILEY



WORD FIND

This is a puzzle titled with a theme. Find the listed words in the grid. Mark off each word as you find it, and when you have completed the list, there will be a number of letters left spare. Arrange these to spell out a descriptive phrase related to the theme.

Pets complete us

Solution: 18 Letters

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Basic	Crate	Howl	Romp
Bath	Cute	Kitty litter	Salamander
Beds	Diet	Legs	Sleepy
Bird	Dish	Mess	Stitches
Bone	Docile	Mice	Tabby
Broken	Dogs	Mouse	Tail
Brush	Drink	Nurse	Tame
Bunny	Duck	Pats	Tank
Buying	Eyes	Pills	Timid
Cage	Frog	Pony	Tiny
Care	Heeler	Purr	Turtle
Claws	Hens	Rest	Vaccination
Coat	Hound	Rodent	Yelp

Solution: They steal your heart

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Richard taking fight to make gymnastics 'cool' to a new front: His uniform

BY WILL GRAVES
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Frederick Richard is taking the fight to make men's gymnastics matter to a new front: his wardrobe.

The charismatic 21-year-old Olympic bronze medalist switched out the stirrup pants that have long been a staple of the men's uniform for shorts with compression leggings at the U.S. Championships this weekend, firm in his belief that the three-tenths (0.3) deduction he receives every day of competition that he breaks the rules is worth it if it makes his sport more accessible.

Even when those tenths add up. Richard edged Fuzzy Benas by less than a quarter of a point for second place behind two-time national champion Asher Hong. If Richard had worn the traditional uniform, his margin over Benas could have been a little more comfortable.

Yet asked if the statement he is trying to make — that it's time for men's gymnastics to modernize its uniforms — is worth the risk to his potential placement during a given meet, he didn't hesitate.

"It's 1,000% worth it," Richard said. "If you look at these kids in the crowd, I'm thinking about them and I'm thinking about when I was younger."



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Frederick Richard of the University of Michigan competes on the pommel horse during the senior men's finals of the U.S. Gymnastics Championships in New Orleans on Saturday.

Finding an alternative

While Richard quickly fell in love with gymnastics as a kid growing up in the Boston area, the stirrup pants worn by the guys on pommel horse, still rings, parallel bars, and high bar were another matter.

"If I left the gym to go to the gas station, I didn't want anybody to see me in my pommel horse pants," Richard said. "Kids would say, 'Do you do gymnastics?' I'd say 'Yeah.' But I didn't want them to search 'gymnast' and see the uniform. I didn't feel like it was cool."

His solution was to design an alternative. With the help of the apparel company Turn, Richard debuted the look earlier this year and "refined" it ahead of nationals.

During the opening night of competition on Thursday, the rising Michigan junior wore maize-and-blue colored zebra-patterned leggings with (almost) matching blue shorts. On Saturday, Richard swapped the maize and blue for gray.

Both times, there was a "ND -0.3" next to Richard's score on the first event in which the traditional pants were required. Yet Richard wasn't as focused on the ribbon board where his score was posted, but on the young boys in the stands below them.

"(I want them to) see this, and they're like, 'This is cool. I want to wear this. This kid is trying to make the sport cool, he looks cool,'" Richard said. "And that's the stuff that gets kids into the sport, that's stuff that keeps kids in the sport."

Even if it's a largely American conversation.

Fighting for relevance

While the popularity of men's gymnastics in the U.S. has declined for decades (though there is optimism that the bronze medal Richard and his teammates captured at the 2024 Olympics could help stem the tide), there are no such issues overseas.

They're not talking about stirrup pants in China. Or Japan. Or Russia. Places with dominant programs whose stars become champions and national heroes in the process.

The challenges men's gymnastics faces in the U.S. are many. The number of Division I programs that offer it as a scholarship sport is a fraction of what it was decades ago. And the impact of the recent House settlement could make opportunities at a level that has long served as a feeder system to the U.S. national team even scarcer.

At the Olympic level, the men have long competed in the shadow of the star-studded (and highly successful) women's program.

Richard has long understood this. He's seen the attrition firsthand. While the uniform didn't stop him from pressing on, he believes he might be the exception, not the rule.

Countless young boys dabble in multiple sports growing up, gymnastics included. Richard thinks tweaking the uniform requirements into something he considers more modern could remove what he thinks might be a roadblock to sticking with it for some.

"It does add to what makes a 12-year-old boy decide, 'Do I want to keep doing this sport? Or should I play football or soccer, because my friends think I'm cool when I play with them?'" he said.

The rules do allow for a little latitude. Some German female gymnasts opted for full-body unitards at each of the last two Olympics, though the design does not run afoul of FIG regulations.

What Richard is doing does.

Pushing the limits

And while he stressed he would never wear his outlawed uniform in a team competition — he wore regulation pants while helping lead Michigan to the NCAA championship this spring — that might not be the case the next time he competes internationally.

"We'll see about the world stage," Richard said. "We'll have to talk and see what they allow, but I want to keep pushing it. I'm having fun. I feel more free."

He'll have some time to think about it. When the six-man roster for the 2025 World Championships was announced late Saturday night, Richard's name wasn't on it. The decision had nothing to do with Richard's uniform but the uniqueness of this year's world meet, which does not include a team event and is largely designed for event specialists.

At his best, Richard is one of the top all-arounders on the planet. Yet even he admitted he was at about "80%" at nationals following a whirlwind stretch that included traveling to places like Uganda. Richard is partnering with the African nation to open a facility for boys there interested in acrobatics.

The joy he felt during the trip was palpable. So has the criticism he's received back home for his uniform choice, with some telling him if he wants to look like a basketball player, maybe he should go play basketball.

While Richard's modified look wouldn't look out of place on the court, pommel horse specialist Stephen Nedoroscik — who won a pair of bronze medals in Paris and became a breakout star in the process (all while wearing stirrup pants) last summer — agrees with his Olympic teammate that there "should be a certain level of flexibility" when it comes to uniforms, though he also pointed out that having everyone wear identical outfits is designed to help the judges do their jobs.

"So like, you can't wear like super baggy clothes, obviously," Nedoroscik said. "But I do like there should be maybe a little bit of wiggle room."

That's all Richard says he is asking for, though it seems highly unlikely the FIG would eliminate the deduction for a uniform violation anytime soon. That is not going to stop Richard from pressing on.

"I'll wear it for the next 10 years if I have to," he said. "So eventually, if I keep succeeding and winning, and eventually on the international stage do the same thing and keep winning, (the FIG) will see how people like it (and) the younger kids will start wearing it … and the trend is going to grow."

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