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A rendering of Lehi’s soon-to-be-built City Hall and library.

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**LEHI**

## Construction underway for City Center campus

**BY CURTIS BOOKER**  
Daily Herald

Growth in Lehi isn’t likely to slow down anytime soon. While new residents and businesses move in, city leaders felt that it’s important to display some of Lehi’s

rich history through the design of a new soon-to-be-built Civic Center campus.

The new 60,000-square-foot Civic Center facility will house new council chambers, a community room, administrative offices and

a new library, offering increased space and enhancements.

Lehi officials say the current library building is over 60 years old and is becoming difficult to

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**CEDAR HILLS**



CURTIS BOOKER, DAILY HERALD

Kay Beck, a life skills teacher at Cedar Ridge Elementary School, poses for a photo with Principal Carl Stubbs on April 22.

**UTAH COUNTY**

## Memorial Day events honor those who served, died for country

**BY CURTIS BOOKER AND CARLENE COOMBS**  
Daily Herald

Memorial Day weekend marks the unofficial start to summer. Many are traveling by ground or air to destinations for recreating, while others will spend the long weekend closer to home.

To honor the brave men and women who lost their lives serving our country, there are a host of events and ceremonies around Utah County happening Monday in observance of the holiday.

**American Fork**

American Fork Fire and Rescue will host its annual Memorial Day Breakfast. Food will be served at the fire station, located at 96 N. Center St. from 6-10 a.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children under the age of 13; veterans can eat free.

Tickets can be purchased by stopping into the fire station or online at <https://www.americanfork.gov>.

**Eagle Mountain**

Eagle Mountain will host the annual Memorial Day Ceremony at Pony Express Memorial Cemetery, located at 4648 N. Eagle Mountain Blvd., starting at 10 a.m., weather permitting.

**Fairfield**

The Camp Floyd State Park Museum is hosting Camp Floyd Days on Memorial Day, which will go from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visitors will get to participate in various activities and performances from the soldiers

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# NOT GIVING UP

Cedar Ridge special education teacher reflects on 50 years of empowering students

**BY CURTIS BOOKER**  
Daily Herald

As another school year wraps, one special education teacher in Cedar Hills is reflecting on a journey of half a century in empowering students to be their best selves.

Kay Beck teaches life skills for grades 1-6 at Cedar Ridge Elementary School.

Her classroom is filled with hard-working kids who she doesn’t consider to have disabilities. Rather, she sees them as stu-

dents with the right to an equitable education without bias.

Beck began her career as an educator in 1973, when school administrators, she says, weren’t confident in educating kids with special needs. “Basically, your curriculum

at that time was, ‘Well, we’ll try to teach them their colors, and how to write their names.’ It was basically a recreation program,” Beck described.

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Hunter Biden’s gun trial could last up to 2 weeks

BY CLAUDIA LAUER  
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Associated Press

WILMINGTON, Del. — The judge overseeing Hunter Biden ‘s federal firearms charges trial agreed Friday to block prosecutors from telling jurors about some other unflattering episodes from his personal life, but left the door open to allowing them in if the president’s son testifies.

It’s unclear whether the president’s son would take the stand during the trial that could last up to two weeks during his father’s re-election campaign and likely include sharp disagreements over evidence.

President Joe Biden’s son is charged with lying about his drug use in October 2018 on a form to buy a gun that he kept for about 11 days in Delaware. A trial is set to begin June 3 and could last up to two weeks as his father’s re-election campaign unfolds.

Hunter Biden has acknowledged an addiction to crack cocaine during that period, but his lawyers have said he didn’t break the law and the case is politically motivated. He didn’t speak to reporters as he accompanied his lawyers to and from the Wilmington courthouse for a hearing on Friday.

Prosecutors won a victory on a key point as U.S. District Judge Maryellen Noreika found that they wouldn’t have to prove that he specifically used drugs on the day of the purchase.

She agreed to a defense push to keep out other details about his past, including a child-support case in Arkansas and his dismissal from the Navy after a positive drug test. If he does take the stand, however, “there’s



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Hunter Biden arrives for a court appearance on Friday in Wilmington, Del.

a number of issues that may become more contentious,” Noreika said. Prosecutors have acknowledged those episodes likely won’t be relevant unless he testifies.

She also agreed to consider defense questions about the contents of a laptop that he allegedly dropped off at a Delaware repair shop.

Hunter Biden’s attorneys want to raise questions about the authenticity of the laptop’s data at trial. Prosecutors say that there’s no evidence it has been compromised and that a drawn-out fight would be a waste of time. The laptop has been the source of controversy for years after Republicans accessed and disseminated

personal data from it.

U.S. District Judge Maryellen Noreika said she will consider objections to specific pieces of data as the trial unfolds.

Prosecutors also plan to show jurors portions of his 2021 memoir “Beautiful Things,” in which he detailed his struggle with alcoholism and drug abuse following the 2015 death of his older brother, Beau, of brain cancer at age 46.

Defense attorneys argued prosecutors were cherry-picking evidence, and the judge agreed to allow Biden’s attorneys to introduce wider selections.

His attorney Abbe Lowell also says there are indica-

tions that the gun-purchase form was changed by employees after the sale. Prosecutors say there were only minor additions unrelated to the parts Hunter Biden filled out.

Noreika didn’t immediately rule on whether the defense could introduce an altered version of the form at trial, which is expected to begin with jury selection on June 3.

Hunter Biden is also facing federal tax charges in Los Angeles and is set for trial in that case in September. He’s accused of failing to pay at least \$1.4 million in taxes over four years while living an “extravagant lifestyle” during a period in which he

has acknowledged struggling with addiction. The back taxes have since been paid.

Hunter Biden’s lawyers have pushed unsuccessfully in both cases to have them dismissed. They have argued, among other things, that prosecutors bowed to political pressure to indict him after a plea agreement hit the skids in court and was publicly pilloried by Republicans, including former President Donald Trump, as a “sweetheart deal.”

Trump, who is running to unseat the Democratic president, faces his own legal problems. He is charged in four criminal cases, including a hush money trial underway in New York.

U.S. ELECTIONS

Biden pushes slew of rules on enviornment and other priorities

BY MATTHEW DALY  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As he tries to secure his legacy, President Joe Biden has unleashed a flurry of election year rules on the environment and other topics, including a landmark regulation that would force coal-fired power plants to capture smoke-stack emissions or shut down.

The limits on greenhouse gas emissions from fossil-fueled electric stations are the Democratic president’s most ambitious effort yet to roll back planet-warming pollution from the power sector, the nation’s second-largest contributor to climate change.

The power plant rule is among more than 60 regulations Biden and his administration finalized last month to meet his policy goals, including a promise to cut carbon emissions that are driving climate change roughly in half by 2030. The regulations, led by the Environmental Protection Agency but involving a host of other federal agencies, are being issued in quick succession as the Biden administration rushes to meet a looming but uncertain deadline to ensure they are not overturned by a new Congress — or a new president.

“The Biden administration is in green blitz mode,” said Lena Moffitt, executive director of the activist group Evergreen Action.

IT’S NOT JUST THE ENVIRONMENT

The barrage of rules covers more than the environment.

With the clock ticking toward Election Day, Biden’s administration has issued or proposed rules on a wide range of issues, from student loan forgiveness and affordable housing to overtime pay, health and compensation for airline passengers who are unreasonably delayed, as he tries to woo voters in his reelection bid against presumptive Republican nominee Donald Trump.

In all, federal agencies broke records by publishing 66 significant final rules in April, higher than any month in Biden’s presidency, according to George Washington University’s Regulatory Studies Center. More than half the rules — 34 — were considered likely to have an economic impact of at least \$200 million, the center said.

That tally is by far the highest issued by a recent president in a single month, the center said. The next



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President Joe Biden speaks at the Lucy Evans Baylands Nature Interpretive Center and Preserve in Palo Alto, Calif., on June 19, 2023.

closest was 20 such rules issued by Trump in his final month in office.

Biden is not shying away from promoting the rules. For example, he went to Madison, Wisconsin, to promote his actions on student loan relief after the Supreme Court rejected his initial plan. More often, Cabinet officials are being dispatched around the country, often to the swing states, to promote the administration’s actions.

THE PROBLEM WITH RULES

Policies created by rulemaking are easier to reverse than laws when a new administration takes office, especially with a sharply divided Congress.

“There’s no time to start like today,” Biden said on his first day in office as he moved to dismantle the Trump legacy.

Over the course of his presidency, Biden has reinstated protections for threatened species that were rolled back by Trump. He also has boosted fuel efficiency standards, reversing the former president.

The Education Department’s gainful employment rule targets college programs that leave graduates with high debt compared to their expected earnings. And the Department of Housing and Urban Development moved to restore a rule that was designed to eliminate racial disparities in suburbs and thrown out by Trump.

It’s widely expected that Trump would move to reverse Biden regulations if he were to win in November.

DEADLINES LOOM

The Congressional Review Act allows lawmakers to void new rules after they’re finalized by the executive branch. Congressional Republicans used the once-obscure law more than a dozen times in 2017 to undo actions by former President Barack Obama. Democrats returned the favor four years later, rescinding three Trump administration rules.

The law requires votes within 60 legislative days of a rule’s publication in the Federal Register, a shifting deadline that depends on how long Congress is in session. Administration officials say they believe actions taken so far this year will be shielded from the review act in the next Congress, although Republicans oppose nearly all of them and have filed challenges that could lead to a series of votes in the House and Senate over the next few months.

Biden is likely to veto any repeal effort that reaches his desk before his term expires.

“The rules are safe in this Congress,” given Democratic control of the Senate and White House, said Michael Gerrard, who teaches environmental law at Columbia Law School. If Republicans take over Congress and the White House next year, “all bets are off,” Gerrard said.

RULE-MAKING TO ESTABLISH A LEGACY

Besides the power plant rule, the EPA also issued separate rules targeting tailpipe emissions from cars and trucks and methane emissions from oil and gas drilling. The Interior

Department, meanwhile, restricted new oil and gas leases on 13 million acres of a federal petroleum reserve in Alaska and required oil and gas companies to pay more to drill on federal lands and meet stronger requirements to clean up old or abandoned wells.

Industry groups and Republicans slammed Biden’s actions as overreach. “This barrage of new EPA rules ignores our nation’s ongoing electric reliability challenges and is the wrong approach at a critical time for our nation’s energy future,” said Jim Matheson, CEO of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

In addition to climate, the EPA also finalized a long-delayed ban on asbestos, a carcinogen that kills tens of thousands of Americans every year, and set strict limits on certain so-called “forever chemicals” in drinking water. The EPA also required more than 200 chemical plants nationwide to reduce toxic emissions that are likely to cause cancer, mostly in poor and minority communities already overburdened by industrial pollution.

While recently delivered, many of Biden’s actions have been planned since he took office and reinstated or strengthened more than 100 environmental regulations that Trump weakened or eliminated.

The rules come two years after Democrats approved a sweeping law aimed at boosting clean energy that is widely hailed as the most significant climate legislation ever enacted.

Taken together, Democrats say, the climate law and Biden’s executive actions could solidify his standing with climate-oriented voters — including young people who helped put Biden in office four years ago — and help him fend off Trump in a likely rematch in November.

“Every community in this country deserves to breathe clean air and drink clean water,” said EPA Administrator Michael Regan. “We promised to listen to folks that are suffering from pollution and act to protect them.”

‘CHALLENGING TIMES’

Along with votes in Congress, the rules likely face legal challenges from industry and Republican-led states, including several lawsuits that have been filed already.

“Part of our strategy is to be sure that we understand the current court culture that we’re in, and make sure that every action, every rule, every policy is more durable, as legally

sound as possible,” Regan told a conference of environmental journalists last month.

Still, looming over all the executive branch actions is the Supreme Court, where a 6-3 conservative majority has increasingly reined in the powers of federal agencies, including the EPA. A landmark 2022 ruling limited EPA’s authority to regulate carbon dioxide emissions from power plants that contribute to global warming, and a separate ruling weakened regulations protecting millions of acres of wetlands.

A case pending before the court could put EPA’s air pollution-fighting “good neighbor” plan on hold while legal cases continue.

“We are living in challenging times in so many ways, but we at EPA are staying focused on the mission,” Regan said at the April conference. “And then we have to really just defend that case in court.”

Rules issued by other agencies also face legal challenges.

Republican-led states are challenging the administration’s new Title IX rules that provide expanded protections for LGBTQ+ students and new safeguards for victims of sexual assault. They’re also suing to overturn a rule requiring background checks on buyers at gun shows and places outside stores.

Gerrard, the Columbia law professor, said the threat of executive-branch actions being overturned by Congress or the courts “makes it hard for either side to build up any momentum.” That uncertainty also makes it harder for the industry to comply, since they are not sure how long the rules will be in effect.

STAYING POWER ON CLIMATE?

Gerrard and other experts said the climate law and the bipartisan infrastructure law passed in 2021 are more durable and will be harder for a future president to unwind. The two laws, combined with executive branch actions, will put the country on a path to meet Biden’s goal of net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, environmentalists say.

The climate law, which includes nearly \$400 billion in spending to boost clean energy, will have ripple effects on the economy for years to come, said Christy Goldfuss, executive director of the Natural Resource Defense Council and a former Obama administration official.



## Civic Center

From A1

maintain, and the administration building is at capacity.

The new facility will be located at the corner of 100 North and 100 East, just south of the existing City Hall. With the change, 100 North will be vacated and become part of the Civic Center plaza.

In a future phase, the plaza will extend to Main Street between 100 East and Center Street, according to Communications Manager Jeanteil Livingston.

The design is an ode to the historic Lehi Tabernacle that was built in the early 1900s but was demolished in 1962. The landmark was said have served as the cultural center for Lehi. The new Civic Center will feature a central tower, with shorter towers on each corner, reminiscent of the tabernacle, a description on a city website states.

At the groundbreaking ceremony in April, Lehi Mayor Mark

Johnson said the inspiration behind the decision to build the new Civic Center to resemble the historic tabernacle came after he and other city officials traveled to Dallas and Phoenix to research design ideas and options.

“The old tabernacle was a pretty stately building and everybody seemed to love it,” Johnson said. “Whether you want to make a religious connection to it or not, the thing is, that it was a monument in Lehi.”

Though paying homage to Lehi’s heritage through architecture to have an iconic and timeless community space, the city says their goal is to also build something that will serve the community for generations to come.

“To be able to pay homage to our history and what built Lehi to be what it is, I think, is a phenomenal thing that we have an opportunity to do,” Lehi City Council member Paul Hancock said. “I look forward to this being just a great asset for the community to leverage and for us to continue to serve a great community.”

### Building for the future

The new Lehi Civic Center will feature multipurpose community rooms for public space, including lobbies, conference rooms, a community room and the City Council area. The new council chambers will double the size of the existing one. Also included will be new office space for staff members and administration, the information center, and legal and finance departments.

Perhaps the biggest upgrade is to the library. The current facility is 18,700 square feet, with a 1,500-square-foot programming room, circulation and technology services rooms, and support staff offices. The new library will be about 25,000 square feet, with double the space for programming, support staff, quiet study rooms and a recording studio/conference room for making podcasts and videos, just to name a few of the enhancements.

### Temporary impacts

As crews are in the early stages of construction on the new facility,

there are several impacts for people using the current library and City Hall, mostly related to parking.

For the next six to eight weeks, parking for the library will be located in the lot on the south side of the current building along 100 North at Center Street. The library ultimately will be demolished to make room for the new Civic Center. City officials will announce at a later time a temporary space for library users.

Parking at the City Hall is closed, but the building is still open. Citizens will have to use the stairs on the east side of the building to enter it.

Once the new facility is open, the existing building will remain in use.

Ballot boxes and drop box for Lehi City payments are now located on the south side of the Lehi Police Station.

These configurations are subject to change as construction progresses.

Lehi’s new Civic Center is anticipated to be completed in fall 2025.

## Events

From A1

of Johnston’s Army and visit the museum. Entrance fees are \$5 per person or \$15 for a family.

### Lehi

Lehi City is hosting its Remember and Honor event Monday from 9-10 a.m. at Lehi City Cemetery, 1525 N. 600 East. Hosted by Lehi City, the American Legion Post 19 and the Lehi Arts Council, the event features a tribute to the men and women who have served our country. Attendees can explore the honor wall as a reminder of the sacrifice made by Lehi veterans.

### Lindon

Lindon City invites citizens to its Memorial Day Program, starting at 9 a.m. at the Lindon City Cemetery, located at 550 N. 200 East. The event will feature patriotic music numbers, remarks, a reading of names to be added to the memorial monument, a 21-gun salute and a flag exchange.

### Orem

Orem City will be hosting a Memorial Day Program at the Orem City Cemetery, 1520 N. 800 East, at 10 a.m. Monday. The program will include a flag ceremony, musical performances and a 21-gun salute.

The Veteran’s Lounge is hosting a Memorial Day Ruck/Walk Event starting at the cemetery at 8 a.m. Participants will then walk to the Lindon Cemetery and then Pleasant Grove Cemetery, stopping at each to honor veterans buried in the cemeteries. Tickets for the event can be purchased at <https://www.thevetlounge.org>.

### Pleasant Grove

Pleasant Grove City presents its annual Memorial Day service at Pleasant Grove Cemetery, starting at 9 a.m. Monday. The event honors the men and women who have served the country.

### Provo

America’s Freedom Festival in conjunction with Provo City Veterans Council will honor fallen heroes in a Memorial Day Service.

The Timpview High School Band will lead the event off with a drum cadence, followed by a welcome, the pledge of allegiance, singing of the national anthem and a host of speakers including Provo Mayor Michelle Kaufusi honoring veterans. Patriotic musical numbers and a 21-gun salute by the Provo Police Department SWAT team will close the ceremony. The event starts at 10 a.m. and is free to the public.

In case of inclement weather, organizers may be move the event to the Covey Center for the Arts.

### Salem

Salem City will host a Memorial Day service at the Salem City Cemetery at 8 a.m. Monday. The local American Legion will do a flag ceremony and 21-gun salute.

### Springville

Former Gov. Gary Herbert will be the keynote speaker for a Memorial Day Tribute hosted at the Springville Evergreen Cemetery at 10 a.m. Monday. Other speakers include Jeanette Herbert and Springville Mayor Matt Packard. The Springville-Mapleton American Legion will be conducting the tribute to honor veterans.

## Beck

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Refusing to “institutionalize” her students, Beck chose to recognize them for their individual qualities, while encouraging their growth to fulfill their achievements.

Over time, she’s witnessed special education evolve to inclusive classrooms for all ages.

But she admits, more can be done to empower students with special needs. “One thing that I think really needs to be pushed more in special ed is that you teach a skill, then after a child’s learned his skill ... the next step you go for is generalization. Because if you don’t go for generalization, that’s going to be a splinter skill,” she explained.

Those are skills that are generally disconnected from their usual context and may not be suitable in a real-world situation, Beck explained.

Parents like Yolanda DuJardin champion Beck’s teaching methods, her dedication to students and the school community.

DuJardin’s daughter has been



CURTIS BOOKER, DAILY HERALD

A plaque highlighting Kay Beck’s journey of 50 years in teaching is displayed during a celebration honoring the special education teacher on April 22.

a student of Beck’s since the first grade. Something that was important to her as a parent was making sure her child would be included in activities with students in the general education population, “and Kay does that so well,” DuJardin said. “She has really done a wonderful job of making sure that all of our kids eat lunch with the other students

“She pours everything into these kids. Like, her whole life has been centered around teaching,” DuJardin explained to the Daily Herald.

In April, administrators, fellow teachers and parents honored Beck’s legacy at an open house celebration at the elementary school. In a surprise parade, students wore purple shirts featuring her favorite quote: “Never give up.”

When asked why Beck adores the color purple, she said, “Well, purple is the representation of royalty. And then you put ‘never give up’ on it — man, what a powerful inspiration that shirt is,” she told the Daily Herald.

Beck said she doesn’t plan to retire anytime soon and will continue to advocate for more dialogue on the quality of special education classes.

She wants her legacy to be one that’s marked by helping each of her students realize their full potential. “Their life mattered a great deal to me. I wanted to make sure that they had the skills so that they could make the best life possible moving forward,” an emotional Beck expressed.

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# Young couple among 3 killed by gunmen in Haiti’s capital

BY DÁNICA COTO AND EVENS SANON  
Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — A U.S. missionary couple and a Haitian man who worked with them were shot and killed by gang members in Haiti’s capital after they were attacked while leaving a youth group activity held at a local church, a family member said Friday.

The attack happened Thursday evening in the community of Lizon in northern Port-au-Prince, Lionel Lazarre, head of a Haitian police union, told The Associated Press.

The slayings occurred as the capital crumbles under the relentless assault of violent gangs that control 80% of Port-au-Prince while authorities await the arrival of a police force from Kenya as part of a U.N.-backed deployment aimed at quelling gang violence in the troubled Caribbean country.

Two of the victims were a young married couple, Davy and Natalie Lloyd, according to a Facebook posting from Natalie Lloyd’s father, Missouri state Rep. Ben Baker. The third victim was Jude Montis, who was the country’s director of Missions In Haiti Inc.

“My heart is broken in a thousand pieces,” Baker wrote on Facebook on Thursday. “I’ve never felt this kind of pain. Most of you know my daughter and son-in-law Davy and Natalie Lloyd are full time missionaries in Haiti. They were attacked by gangs this evening and were both killed. They went to Heaven together.”

Hannah Cornett, Davy Lloyd’s sister, told the AP that her brother was 23 years old and Natalie Lloyd was 21. They were going to celebrate their two-year anniversary in June and his birthday in early July.

Cornett said her parents are full-time missionaries in Haiti, and that she and her two brothers grew up there.

“Davy spoke Creole before he spoke English. It was home,” she said in a phone interview. “Haiti was all we knew.”

Cornett, 22, said her parents run an orphanage, school and church in Haiti, and that she and her brothers grew up with the orphans: “It was just one big happy family there.”

She said her older brother was outgoing, had built a garden and



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This photo shows Davy and Natalie Lloyd.

raised a lot of animals. While he went back to the U.S. for Bible college and then got married, he returned to Haiti with Natalie Lloyd to do more humanitarian work.

“They just had a lot of love for Haiti, and they just wanted to help the people there,” Cornett said. “That’s their calling.”

Cornett noted that Montis worked with her parents for 20 years and left behind two children, ages 2 and 6.

She said the night of the attack, three vehicles carrying gang members stopped the Lloyds and Montis as they crossed the street, hitting her brother in the head with the barrel of a gun. They forced him upstairs, stole their belongings and left him tied up. As people were helping untie Davy Lloyd, another group of armed gunmen showed up.

“Nobody knows what happened,” she said.

An unidentified person got shot and the gunmen opened fire as the Lloyds and Montis fled to the house where her parents live, Cornett said.

“They tried to take cover in there, but the gang shot up the house,” she

said, adding that they were killed and their bodies set on fire.

Cornett said her mother flew back from Haiti about a month ago, and that her father and younger brother flew out Wednesday because things had been so calm in the neighborhood.

“Nobody expected this to happen,” she said between tears.

On Friday afternoon, Baker posted on Facebook that the bodies of Davy and Natalie Lloyd were safely transported to the U.S. Embassy.

The couple worked for Missions In Haiti Inc. The Claremore, Oklahoma, organization was founded by David and Alicia Lloyd, Davy Lloyd’s parents. Natalie Lloyd’s Facebook page said the couple married on June 18, 2022, and she began working with the missionary organization in August 2022. She frequently posted photos of Haitian children on her page.

A Facebook posting on the Missions In Haiti page late Thursday read: “Around midnight: Davy and Natalie and Jude were shot and killed by the gang about 9 o’clock this eve-

ning. We all are devastated.”

Alicia Lloyd, mother of Davy Lloyd, told the Oklahoma-based Claremore Daily Progress newspaper that her son “was one of these people who could do anything.”

“I hope something good can come out of this. We don’t see it now, but we don’t want (their lives) to be in vain,” she was quoted as saying.

U.S. Department of State spokesman Matthew Miller said the ambassador in Haiti was in touch with the families “who we know are experiencing unimaginable grief.”

“Unfortunately, this serves as a reminder that the security situation in Haiti cannot wait – too many innocent lives are being lost,” he said in a statement as he noted the U.S. government’s commitment for a swift deployment of the Kenyan-led mission.

It wasn’t immediately clear which gang or gangs were responsible for the fatal shootings.

However, a gang leader called Chyen Mechan, which means “mean dog” in Haitian Creole, controls the area where the shooting occurred.

# How does this end? Israel faces only bad options

BY JOSEPH KRAUSS  
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Diminished but not deterred, Hamas is still putting up a fight after seven brutal months of war with Israel, regrouping in some of the hardest-hit areas in northern Gaza and resuming rocket attacks into nearby Israeli communities.

Israel initially made tactical advances against Hamas after a devastating aerial bombardment paved the way for its ground troops. But those early gains have given way to a grinding struggle against an adaptable insurgency — and a growing feeling among many Israelis that their military faces only bad options, drawing comparisons with U.S. wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

This was the subtext of a rebellion in recent days by two members of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s three-man War Cabinet — Defense Minister Yoav Gallant and Benny Gantz, Netanyahu’s main political rival — who demanded that he come up with detailed postwar plans.

They supported Israel’s retaliation for Hamas’ Oct. 7 attack, including one of the heaviest bombing campaigns in recent history, ground operations that obliterated entire neighborhoods and border restrictions that the U.N.’s World Food Program says pushed parts of the territory into famine.

But now the two retired generals fear a prolonged, costly re-occupation of Gaza, from which Israel withdrew soldiers and settlers in 2005. They are also opposed to a withdrawal that would leave Hamas in control or lead to the establishment of a Palestinian state.

Instead, they have put forth alternatives that many Israelis see as wildly unrealistic. Hamas, meanwhile, has proposed its own postwar plan.

Here’s a look at four ways this war might end.

## FULL-SCALE MILITARY OCCUPATION

Netanyahu has promised a “total victory” that would remove Hamas from power, dismantle its military capabilities and return the scores of hostages it still holds from the attack that triggered the war.

He has said victory could come within weeks if Israel launches a full-scale invasion of Rafah, which Israel portrays as the last Hamas stronghold.

Amir Avivi, a retired Israeli general and former deputy commander of the Gaza division, says that’s only the beginning. He said Israel would need to remain in control to prevent Hamas from regrouping.

“If you don’t drain the swamp, you cannot deal with the mosquitoes. And drain the swamp means a complete change in the education system, and dealing with local leadership and not with a terror organization,” he said. “This is a generational process. It’s not going to happen in a day.”

Far-right members of Netanyahu’s governing coalition, who hold the key to his remaining in power, have called for permanent occupation, “voluntary emigration” of large numbers of Palestinians to anywhere that will have them, and rebuilding of Jewish settlements in Gaza.

Most Israelis are opposed, pointing to the immense costs of stationing thousands of troops in the territory that is home to 2.3 million Palestinians. As an occupying power, Israel would likely be held responsible for providing health, education and other services. It’s unclear to what extent international donors would step in to fund reconstruction amid ongoing hostilities.

There’s also no guarantee such an occupation would eliminate Hamas.

Israel was in full control of Gaza when Hamas was established in the late 1980s. Israel’s 18-year occupation of



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Smoke billows after an explosion in the Gaza Strip, as seen from southern Israel on May 21.

southern Lebanon coincided with the rise of Hezbollah, and Israeli troops routinely battle militants in the West Bank, which it has controlled since 1967.

## A LIGHTER OCCUPATION, AIDED BY ‘UNICORNS’

Netanyahu has said Israel will maintain security control over Gaza but delegate civilian administration to local Palestinians unaffiliated with Hamas or the Western-backed Palestinian Authority, which governs parts of the occupied West Bank. He has suggested that Arab and other countries assist with governance and rebuilding.

But so far, none have shown interest.

No Palestinians are known to have offered to cooperate with the Israeli military, perhaps because Hamas has said they would be treated as collaborators, a veiled death threat.

Efforts to reach out to Palestinian businessmen and powerful families “have ended in catastrophe,” says Michael Milshtein, an Israeli analyst of



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People protest against Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s government and call for the release of hostages held in the Gaza Strip by the Hamas militant group, outside the Knesset, Israel’s parliament in Jerusalem on May 20.

Palestinian affairs at Tel Aviv University and a former military intelligence officer.

He says Israelis seeking such allies are searching for “unicorns” — something that does not exist.

Arab states have also roundly rejected this scenario — even the United Arab Emirates, which is one of the few to formally recognize Israel and has close ties with it.

“The UAE refuses to be involved in any plan aimed at

providing cover for the Israeli presence in the Gaza Strip,” Foreign Minister Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan said this month.

## A GRAND BARGAIN

Instead, Arab states have coalesced around a U.S. proposal aimed at resolving the decades-old conflict and transforming the Middle East.

Under this plan, a reformed Palestinian Authority would govern Gaza with the assis-

His real name is Claudy Célestin, and he is a dismissed civil servant from Haiti’s Ministry of the Interior.

The leader of another gang known as General Jeff also controls territory near the neighborhood where the couple was killed. Both gangs are part of a coalition known as Viv Ansanm, which means “Live Together.”

The coalition is responsible for launching large-scale attacks on key government infrastructure starting Feb. 29. Gunmen have attacked police stations, opened fire on the main international airport that remained closed for nearly three months before opening earlier this week and stormed Haiti’s two biggest prisons, releasing more than 4,000 inmates.

Gangs also are blamed for killing or injuring more than 2,500 people across Haiti from January to March, a 50% increase compared with the same period last year, according to the United Nations. In addition, more than 360,000 people have been forced to flee their homes by gangs who control 80% of Port-au-Prince.

Kidnappings also are rampant, with targets including U.S. missionaries.

In October 2021, gang members kidnapped 17 missionaries, the majority U.S. citizens. Many in the group, which included five children, were held captive for more than two months before escaping.

Then in July 2023, gangs kidnapped a U.S. nurse and her daughter from the campus of a Christian-run school near Port-au-Prince. They were released nearly two weeks later.

The U.S. Department of State has long had a “do not travel” advisory for Haiti and urges any U.S. citizens in the country to depart as soon as possible.

On the Missions In Haiti website, the founders wrote that the organization was founded in 2000. It said it aimed to help with “the country’s biggest need — its children.”

A May 2023 newsletter posted on the mission website said Natalie “has been helping with the kids at the House of Compassion and assisting in our ACE school. Davy has been working on a lot of badly needed projects around our compound,” including building a laundry room and repairing bathrooms.

tance of Arab and Muslim nations, including Saudi Arabia, which would normalize relations with Israel in return for a U.S. defense pact and help in building a civilian nuclear program.

But U.S. and Saudi officials say that hinges on Israel committing to a credible path to eventual Palestinian statehood.

Netanyahu has ruled out such a scenario — as have Gallant and Gantz — saying it would reward Hamas and result in a militant-run state on Israel’s borders.

Palestinians say ending Israel’s decades-long occupation and creating a fully independent state in Gaza, the West Bank and east Jerusalem — territories Israel captured in the 1967 Mideast war — is the only way to end the cycle of bloodshed.

Hamas has said it would accept a two-state solution on at least an interim basis, but its political program still calls for the “full liberation of Palestine,” including what is now Israel. Hamas has also said it must be part of any postwar settlement.

## A DEAL WITH HAMAS

Hamas has proposed a very different grand bargain — one that, ironically enough, might be more palatable to Israelis than the U.S.-Saudi deal.

The militant group has proposed a phased agreement in which it would release all of the hostages in return for hundreds of Palestinian prisoners — including senior militants — as well as the withdrawal of Israeli forces from Gaza, a lengthy cease-fire and reconstruction.

That would almost certainly leave Hamas in control of Gaza and potentially allow it to rebuild its military capabilities. Hamas might even claim victory, despite the extensive death and destruction suffered by Palestinian civilians since Oct. 7.



# OPINION



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## Biden can't blow the debates

Until he challenged Donald Trump to debate, President Joe Biden seemed in denial about the state of the race. He'd been saying for some time that the polls were wrong. This was disturbing for a couple of reasons, the first being that, if anything, the polls have underpredicted, not overpredicted, Trump's support. That was true in 2016 and 2020. This year, the polling aggregate over the past several months has shown an incredibly tight race with Trump narrowly in the lead. Biden's implied message of "Relax, nothing to see here" was alarming.

Debates with a "f---ing moron" (to quote a former secretary of state under Trump) are not ideal, but there aren't a lot of good choices at the moment. Our fate as a country depends on getting the attention of voters who would rather not think about politics. Debates, as stupid and dismaying as they have become, may be the best vehicle to secure their eyeballs.

Trump and his allies have way oversold the Biden-is-senile message. A fair share of voters have come to think that he is not just old but drooling and unable to function. The truth is that, though his voice is getting croaky, he messes up words and names sometimes, and he walks quite stiffly, he is very much compos mentis. He has demonstrated this again and again — as when he traveled to Kyiv or to Jerusalem. Biden was so sharp at the SOTU that Trump accused him of being drugged. A live debate will be a crucible.

This is not to suggest that all Biden needs to do is stay vertical for 90 minutes. If Biden has a serious brain freeze or incoherent digression, he and we are in terrible trouble. If the same happens to Trump, the consequences for him would likely be less dire because his cult is fanatical, though it would remind undecided voters that Trump is only three years younger than Biden — and it is Trump who had a parent with Alzheimer's disease.

This rare moment of voters' attention cannot be squandered. An April Pew survey found that 42% of voters overall rated Trump as a good or great president, while 11% said he was average. By contrast, only 28% said Biden was good or great, with 21% rating him as average. The debate is a chance to remind viewers of how disastrous Trump's first term was and to warn them about his threats to "terminate" the Constitution in a second. It's a chance to show the sort of dangerous and criminal associates Trump has surrounded himself with, from Michael Flynn to Marjorie Taylor Greene to Nick Fuentes to Stephen Miller to Jeffrey Clark to Richard Grenell.

In the first debate in 2020, Trump attempted a psyop on Biden. He planned to be so provocative and bullying that Biden would be reduced to stuttering. (He may also have been trying to infect Biden with COVID.) It backfired. Now Biden has his own psyop opportunity — to remind voters that Trump has promised to pardon all the Jan. 6 defendants, and to remind Trump and the country of all the former Trump hires who've said he is unfit. This will make Trump angry and vengeful. He'll probably say things that reveal his pathological vanity. He'll say they are "overrated" or losers or part of the deep state — to which the obvious retort is, "Really? You seem to hire a lot of incompetent people!" Or, "Out of 44 Cabinet members you hired in four years, only four are supporting you." Biden needs to inform voters about something important — Trump's own people call him dangerous to the nation.

Above all, Biden needs to have some better responses ready for the inevitable questions about the state of the economy. Instead of acknowledging what people are experiencing at the supermarket and in their monthly rent or mortgage payments, Biden argues with the facts. He denied on CNN that the economy is a problem, suggesting that while Americans may say the economy is poor, "they're personally in good shape." This isn't true. According to CNN, 53% of Americans say they are dissatisfied with their personal financial situation. And then he resorted to the "greedy capitalists" canard, declaring in February that there are "still too many corporations in America ripping people off. Price gouging, junk fees, greedflation, shrinkflation."

Corporations are no more greedy than they were before the pandemic. Besides, if the problem were greed, how is another Biden term going to eliminate one of the seven deadly sins? Biden needs to acknowledge how tough inflation has been and then tell a story about supply chains, stimulus (yes, even admitting that both the Trump and Biden administrations pumped money into the economy — because it seemed necessary to avert an even worse outcome), and the Russian invasion of Ukraine. He needs to show how much progress we have made since 2022, when inflation really did reach 9%. He should boast that we've reduced it to 3.4% without triggering a recession.

The majority of the American people have never liked Trump. Biden has given himself two opportunities to convince them that granting Trump another term, however tepid their feelings about the incumbent, would be a disaster.

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### GUEST OPINION

## Emerging political consensus: We must build more homes

Despite politicians from different parties often having stark political differences, increasingly their assessments of America's housing market woes are aligned. Despite ongoing debates about rent control and the minimum wage, the prevailing notion is that the most effective way to make progress with our housing

shortage is for the government to allow more housing to be built. To get a feel for how much consensus there is across the political spectrum on this point, let's look at some examples.

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### Donald Trump and Joe Biden?

In 2019, former President Donald Trump signed an executive order stating: "Driving the rise in housing costs is a lack of housing supply to meet demand. Federal, State, local, and tribal governments impose a multitude of regulatory barriers ... these regulatory barriers include: overly restrictive zoning and growth management controls ... unreasonable maximum density allowances." Further, in 2023 Trump proposed a competition to establish 10 new "freedom cities" on federal land. His goal? To give, "hundreds of thousands of young people and other people, all hardworking families, a new shot at home ownership and in fact, the American Dream." The Biden administration, while not calling for a new city competition, echoed similar rhetoric in the "Housing Supply Action Plan."

Among other goals, the plan seeks to reduce "barriers to building housing like restrictive and costly land use and zoning rules." While more recent statements made by both presidents on the topic of housing present much less agreement (including a partial U-turn on the part of Trump), it's still rare to see even minimal overlap in today's polarized era.

### Up north in Canada

Our neighbors have also seen their housing crisis produce cross-ideological calls to remove government barriers and let more homes be built. In fact, Conservative Pierre Poilievre has leaned heavily into the issue, making it one of the centerpiece of his campaign to replace Justin Trudeau as Canada's prime minister. For example, Poilievre has given speeches next to large signs that call for governments to "Build Homes Not Bureaucracy." Calls to "Build the Homes" are a frequent rallying cry Poilievre uses as he describes how local governments in Canada need to improve their ability to issue permits. Poilievre even produced a documentary called "Housing Hell" that walks through Canada's housing shortage and what his plans to fix it are. For his part, Trudeau created the Housing Accelerator Fund, the purpose of which is to help cities "unlock new housing supply by speeding up development and approvals, like fixing out-of-date permitting systems, introducing zoning reforms to build more density, or incentivizing development close to public transit." Trudeau also continues to unveil updates to the fund, with the goal of

getting more housing, "especially for the nurses, the teachers, the construction workers, the emergency workers who work in a particular city to be able to live in that city."

### From Florida to Montana

After signing four housing bills, Montana's Republican Gov. Greg Gianforte said, "Zoning regulations constrict housing supply and make affordable housing less accessible. We're removing these roadblocks so Montanans can better afford to live in the communities where they work while protecting our treasured wide-open spaces." Democratic Gov. Jared Polis of Colorado was recently asked how much zoning and property rights played into high housing costs. He stated, "I think we've defined (the line) too far in the direction of your nosy neighbors rather than your own property rights." In Virginia, Republican Gov. Glenn Youngkin has stated, "We must tackle root causes behind this supply and demand mismatch; unnecessary regulations, overburdensome and inefficient local governments, restrictive zoning policies, and an ideology of fighting tooth and nail against any new development." What we see behind these governors' comments (and more could be included) is that concern and solution-oriented rhetoric about our housing shortage cuts across ideological lines in unexpected ways.

### A truly emerging trend?

As with any issue politicians seize upon, there's a risk this is more rhetoric than resolution. Housing is complex. Many — perhaps most — of the bottlenecks exist at the state and local levels, and it's easier to talk about solutions than go through the tough work of passing laws and actually rolling back regulations. Still, there are reasons to be encouraged. Housing proposals are coming from conservatives and progressives alike, a rare moment of bipartisan attention, if not exactly agreement. States across the country are experimenting with different approaches. And if nothing else, soundbites and proposals from national politicians — even if they stand no real-world chance of being advanced — get and keep North America's housing problems front and center in the public eye.

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### TODAY IN HISTORY | SATURDAY, MAY 25

Today is Saturday, May 25, the 146th day of 2024. There are 220 days left in the year.

#### Today's Highlight in History

On May 25, 2020, George Floyd, a Black man, was killed when a white Minneapolis police officer pressed his knee on Floyd's neck for about 9 1/2 minutes while Floyd was handcuffed and pleading that he couldn't breathe; Floyd's death, captured on video by a bystander, would lead to worldwide protests, some of which turned violent, and a reexamination of racism and policing in the U.S.

#### On this date

In 1787, the Constitutional Convention began at the Pennsylvania State House (Independence Hall) in Philadelphia after enough delegates had shown up for a quorum.

In 1946, Transjordan (now Jordan) became a kingdom as it proclaimed its new monarch, Abdullah I.

In 1961, President John F. Kennedy told Congress: "I believe that this nation should commit itself to achieving the

goal, before this decade is out, of landing a man on the moon and returning him safely to the earth."

In 1964, the U.S. Supreme Court, in *Griffin v. County School Board of Prince Edward County*, ordered the Virginia county to reopen its public schools, which officials had closed in an attempt to circumvent the Supreme Court's 1954 *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka* desegregation ruling.

In 1968, the Gateway Arch in St. Louis was dedicated by Vice President Hubert Humphrey and

Interior Secretary Stewart Udall.

In 1977, the first "Star Wars" film was released by 20th Century Fox.

In 1979, 273 people died when an American Airlines DC-10 crashed just after takeoff from Chicago's O'Hare Airport.

In 2008, NASA's Phoenix Mars Lander arrived on the Red Planet to begin searching for evidence of water; the spacecraft confirmed the presence of water ice at its landing site.

In 2011, a judge in Salt Lake City sentenced street preacher Brian David Mitchell to life in

prison for kidnapping and raping Elizabeth Smart, who was 14 at the time of her abduction in 2002.

In 2012, the private company SpaceX made history as its Dragon capsule docked with the International Space Station.

In 2016, actor Johnny Depp's wife, Amber Heard, filed for divorce in Los Angeles, citing irreconcilable differences after 15 months of marriage.

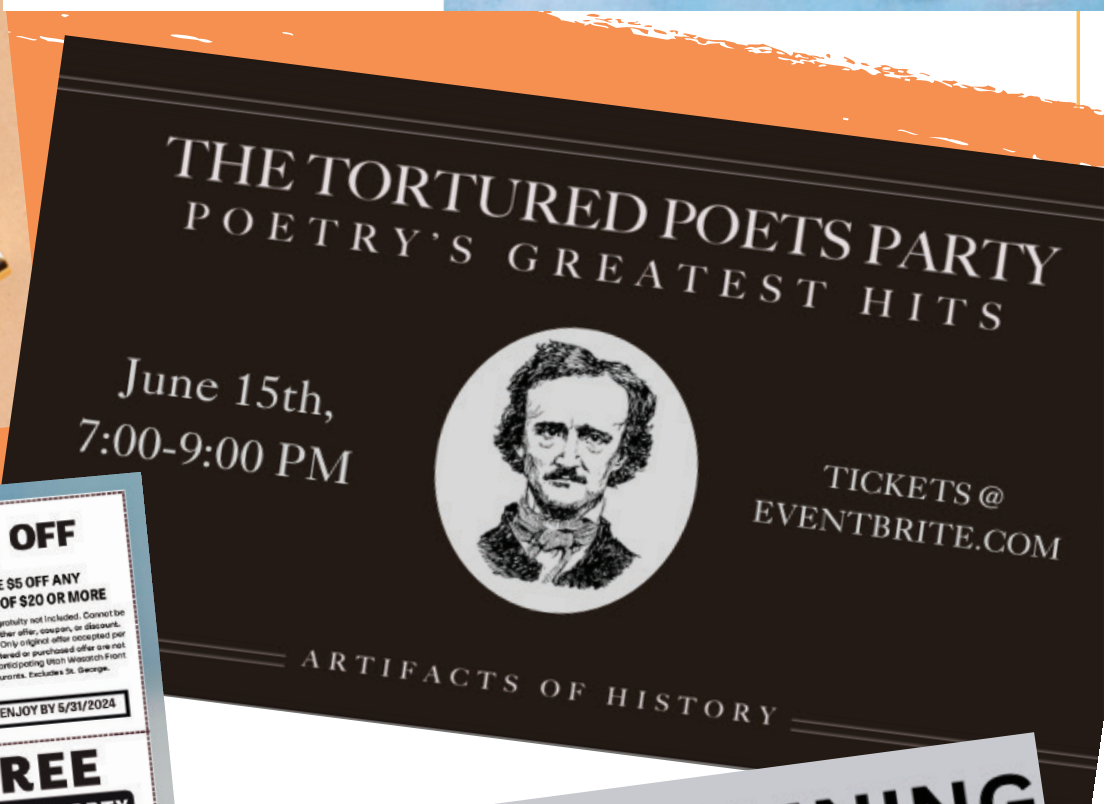
In 2018, Harvey Weinstein was charged in New York with rape and another sex felony in the first prosecution to result

from the wave of allegations against him. (Weinstein would be convicted of two felony counts in 2020, but an appeals court would overturn the conviction in 2024.)

In 2022, Texas Governor Greg Abbott said that 18-year-old Salvador Ramos, the gunman who massacred 19 children and two teachers at an Uvalde elementary school a day earlier, warned in online messages sent minutes before the attack that he had shot his grandmother and was going to shoot up a school.



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# FREE BASES

## Maple Mountain rallies for 12-9 victory vs. Brighton in Game 1 of 5A series

BY DARNELL DICKSON  
Daily Herald

Maple Mountain executed an unconventional way to win and is now one game from claiming the 5A title.

The Golden Eagles like to say, “We love free bases!” when they earn a walk and were likely hoarse after Friday’s game: Brighton pitchers issues 20 freebies (16 walks, four hit batsman) in a 12-9 Maple Mountain victory in Game 1 of their best-of-three series.

“We thought this game was going to be about pitching and defense,” Golden Eagles coach Jer-

emy Thomas said. “It was our best guy (pitching ace Chase Johnston) going against their best guy (Case Beames). In the four years I’ve coached Chase, I haven’t seen any team score more than six runs against him. But those guys came out and put an eight spot on him. We battled and our relief guys came in and got the job done.

“More importantly, our offense stepped up. We got their starter out of the game and then we tripled the number of runs we scored. We were really patient at the plate. We left a lot of runners on base but we got big hits when we needed them.”

The No. 1 seeded Bengals (27-4) battered Johnston, scoring eight runs on 11 hits through his four innings of work. Brighton hit the ball hard and top open spots, surging to a 6-1 lead after two innings.

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DARNELL DICKSON, DAILY HERALD

Members of the Maple Mountain baseball team surround pitcher Bennett Averett after he closed out a 12-9 victory against Brighton in Game 1 of the 5A baseball state championship series at UCCU Ballpark on Friday.

## 5A STATE SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

# Just cooking

## Spanish Fork rallies to beat Springville twice, wins fourth straight 5A state championship

BY JARED LLOYD  
Daily Herald

The theme for the Spanish Fork softball team in 2024 was all about cooking. The Dons had chef hats and giant whisks in the dugout, and had baked treats to celebrate after games.

But after dropping Game 1 to rival Springville on Thursday in the best-of-three 5A championship series at Gail Miller Field in Provo, Spanish Fork found itself needing to whip things into shape in a hurry.

“It was definitely a little nerve wracking because in the four years I’ve been here we’ve never had to go the third game,” Spanish Fork senior second baseman Tatum Hall said. “But these last few games were just the most awesome experience with the team environment and the chemistry and just the vibes we had going on. It was so much fun.”

Don senior pitcher Lucy Evans and the rest of the Spanish Fork team proved to be up to the challenge on Friday, cooking up a pair of masterpieces to rally the Dons to win their fourth consecutive state title.

“In this game, they went all out on every single play,” Spanish Fork head coach Natalyn Jarvis said. “Emerie (Pintar) was diving after the ball and Jayeda (Carter) said she was going to run through the wall to get to a foul. Their whole mentality switched. They were going to do everything they could to win these games.”

Evans credited her Don teammates for coming up with big plays at the plate and in the field throughout the day to make it possible to come back.

“I was just trying to spin the ball as hard as I could and luckily my defense had my back,” Evans said. “I just threw it and let my



JARED LLOYD, DAILY HERALD

Spanish Fork players celebrate after winning the 5A state championship series against Springville at Gail Miller Field in Provo on Friday.

defense do their job. And I love cheering for the hitters too, especially when they make it easier to do my job. Having those runs gave me all the confidence I needed.”

The drama came in the first game of the day, a back-and-forth contest that came down to the final out.

Spanish Fork went up 2-0, only to see Red Devil senior Allie Fowler smash a bases-clearing triple to put Springville up 3-2.

But the Dons answered with a run on a sacrifice fly by senior Olivia Carroll to tie the game in the bottom of the fifth, then surged in front in the sixth.

With two outs, Spanish Fork freshman Jayeda Carter drove in two runs with a single, then Don senior Tatum Hall scored from third on a passed ball to put her team up 6-3.

The Red Devils weren’t done, though, plating two runs of their own on a couple of pitches that

got away and putting the tying run on second with just one out.

As she has so many times this season, Evans came through for Spanish Fork in the circle — but she needed just a little luck.

The next Springville batter hit a sharp liner past third that easily would’ve easily tied the game, but it was just foul by an inch or two.

“If that one was fair, the whole game would’ve been different,” Jarvis said. “For me, nothing went our way on Thursday (in

Game 1). Today, it went our way. We lucked out that it was foul.”

Instead, the Don senior was able to record a key strikeout and then got the final Red Devil batter to fly out to secure the 6-5 win and force Game 3.

“It was surreal to get that last out, to celebrate with the girls and have the hard work pay off,” Evans said. “It was such a fun moment.”

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## EASTERN CONFERENCE FINALS

# Pacers’ unbeaten home record on the line vs. Celtics road success

BY MICHAEL MAROT  
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana Pacers can read the numbers.

They’re down 2-0 in another best-of-seven series and are heading home, where they are a perfect 6-0 during this season’s playoff run. They need a win in Saturday’s pivotal Game 3 to get back in this series, just as they did last week against New York. And, yes, they’re facing the top-seeded Boston Celtics, who

are a perfect 4-0 on the road this postseason.

The bleakest part of this equation for Indiana is the possibility of losing All-NBA guard Tyrese Haliburton. The league’s assist champ departed in the third quarter of a Game 2 loss after re-injuring his left hamstring. He did not return.

Yet this Pacers team, largely composed of playoff newcomers or newcomers to

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## LEHI SENIORS CELEBRATE GRADUATION PRIOR TO TITLE GAME



Six Lehi seniors are honored before the start of Game 1 of the 6A baseball state championship series against Corner Canyon on Friday at UCCU Ballpark. The players had to miss Lehi graduation ceremonies, which were held earlier in the day at the UCCU Center on the Utah Valley University campus.

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FRIDAY’S SCHEDULE

<b>BASEBALL</b> 6A State Championship Series at UCCU Ballpark (Best of 3)  Game 1: No. 5 Lehi (21-9) vs. No. 10 Corner Canyon (19-12), 7 p.m.  5A State Championship Series at UCCU Ballpark (Best of 3)  Game 1: No. 2 Maple Mountain (26-4) vs. No. 1 Brighton (27-3), 4 p.m.  <b>SOFTBALL</b> 5A State Championship Series at Spanish Fork Complex  Game 2: No. 1 Spanish Fork 6, No. 2 Springville 5 (series tied at 1-1) Game 3: No. 1 Spanish Fork (29-3) vs. No. 2 Springville (29-6), 4:30 p.m.
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What role will NIL collectives play in revenue-sharing model?

**BY RALPH D. RUSSO**  
Associated Press

When the NCAA lifted its longtime ban on college athletes earning endorsement money in 2021, there was no such thing as collectives.

Now the booster-funded organizations have become ubiquitous, and a common way for athletes to cash in as name, image and likeness compensation quickly evolved into a stand-in for salary — much to the chagrin of many in college sports.

With revenue sharing with college athletes on the horizon as part of a \$2.8 billion antitrust settlement proposal agreed to Thursday by the NCAA and the nation’s biggest conferences, the future of collectives seems uncertain even though the duties they perform are about to become more important.

“One of the key functions of a collective is properly managing payroll for a sport. And that skill set that’s been developed is now going to be required for every single (power conference) school,” said Blake Lawrence,



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Baylor’s Matt Ritchey stands by the Big 12 Conference logo on the field during the team’s NCAA college football game against TCU in Waco, Texas, on Oct. 13, 2012.

whose company Opendorse works with dozens of schools and more than 40 collectives on NIL activities.

“Will schools hire key members of their collective, the ones responsible for managing and moving money, negotiating with parents and players, and move that internally?” he added. “Or would schools hire the collective as their NIL agency, and shift some of their risk away from the school into

out to about about \$21 million per year, and would rise as revenues rise over the 10-year agreement.

In a letter to Division I members obtained by The Associated Press on Friday, NCAA President Charlie Baker estimated \$1 billion to \$1.5 billion in revenue would go to athletes annually in the proposed model.

The 22% cap has already drawn scrutiny from those who have been advocating for athlete rights. In major professional sports leagues, the split between players and teams is around 50-50.

“Our expert said in a world without (NCAA) rules, the athletes would get 10% of broadcast revenues. We’re settling for 22%, so we’re settling double NIL value. And one could say that component is pay-for-play,” said Steve Berman, one of the lead attorneys for the plaintiffs in House v. the NCAA, the case at the center of the settlement.

Berman said if scholarships and other current benefits to athletes are included on top

of the new shared revenue, schools would be spending about 45% of athletic revenue on their athletes.

Pay-for-play remains a touchy term for those in college sports, especially as it relates to NIL and collectives.

In lieu of a model that pays athletes their market value, NIL filled that void. NCAA rule changes intended to allow athletes to cash in on their fame by promoting and sponsoring companies and brands led to high-profile athletes making hundreds of thousands of dollars through deals with collectives for some personal appearances and community service.

The NCAA is trying to implement new rules to encourage schools to bring NIL activities in-house, allowing athletic departments to be more involved in setting up deals for their athletes. The NCAA has also passed NIL legislation it hopes brings more transparency and accountability, including disclosure rules for deals above \$600 and the creation of a deal database to help establish fair market value.

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BASEBALL

San Diego, Cincinnati 4, 10 innings  
Atlanta 3, Chicago Cubs 0

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San Francisco at N.Y. Mets, late  
Chicago Cubs at St. Louis, late  
Philadelphia at Colorado, late  
Miami at Arizona, late

Saturday's Games

Toronto (Berrios 5-3) at Detroit (Olson 0-5), 1:10 p.m.  
Baltimore (Kremer 3-4) at Chicago White Sox (Fedde 4-1), 2:10 p.m.  
Texas (Lorenzen 2-3) at Minnesota (Paddack 4-2), 2:10 p.m.  
Seattle (Gilbert 3-2) at Washington (Williams 4-0), 4:05 p.m.  
Houston (Arrighetti 2-4) at Oakland (Sears 3-3), 4:07 p.m.  
Kansas City (Singer 4-2) at Tampa Bay (Civale 2-4), 4:10 p.m.  
Milwaukee (Rea 3-2) at Boston (Pivetta 2-2), 4:10 p.m.  
Cleveland (Bibee 2-1) at L.A. Angels (Soriano 4-0), 9:38 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees (Stroman 3-2) at San Diego (Cease 5-3), 9:40 p.m.  
San Francisco (Hicks 4-1) at N.Y. Mets (Severino 2-2), 1:40 p.m.  
Atlanta (López 2-1) at Pittsburgh (Keller 5-3), 4:05 p.m.  
Chicago Cubs (Taillon 3-2) at St. Louis (Liberatore 1-2), 7:15 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (Buehler 1-1) at Cincinnati (Greene 2-2), 7:15 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Nola 6-2) at Colorado (Hudson 1-7), 9:10 p.m.  
Miami (Sánchez 0-2) at Arizona (Montgomery 2-2), 10:10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Toronto at Detroit, 11:35 a.m.  
Milwaukee at Boston, 1:35 p.m.  
Seattle at Washington, 1:35 p.m.  
Kansas City at Tampa Bay, 1:40 p.m.  
Baltimore at Chicago White Sox, 2:10 p.m.  
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Philadelphia 5, Texas 2  
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Central Division

W L Pct GB  
Cleveland 33 17 .660  
Kansas City 32 19 .627 1½  
Minnesota 26 23 .531 6½  
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West Division

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Seattle 27 24 .529  
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Philadelphia 37 14 .725  
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Thursday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 5, Seattle 0  
Philadelphia 5, Texas 2  
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## Golden Eagles

From B1

The Bengals ended up outhitting Maple Mountain 13-7. But eventually, all the free passes issued by Brighton pitchers started to take a toll.

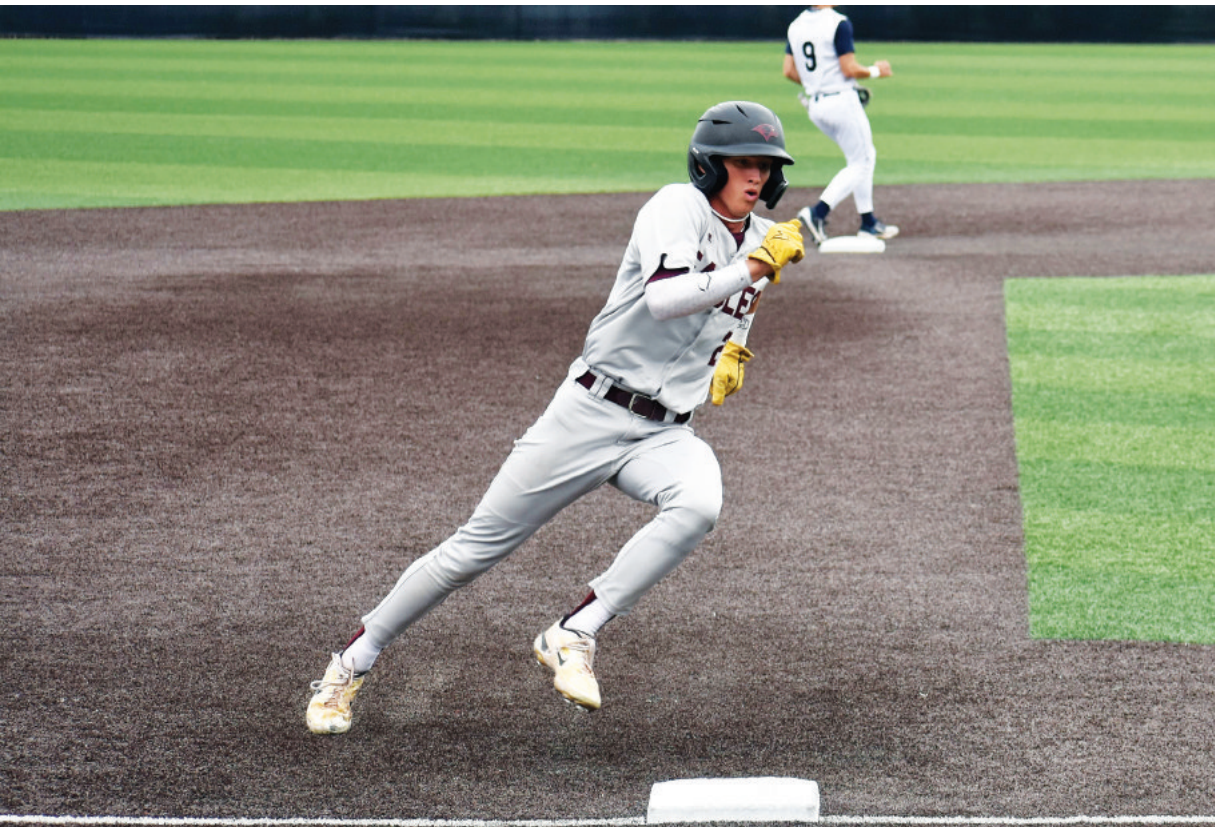
Trailing 8-5 entering the fifth inning, Maple Mountain batted around and finally got the key hits it needed to take the lead. The Golden Eagles scored six runs (all with two outs) and the big blows came from Bennett Averett and Colby Warren, who each bashed two-run singles for an 11-8 advantage.

“We were a little bit timid at first,” admitted Averett, who finished 2 for 3 with three runs scored and three RBI. “Once we got into the late innings, our game plan is to get their starter out and then we start hitting the ball. We had that momentum shift in the fifth inning. I just hit it right over second base and we scored two runs. We kept putting balls in play and started making easy plays.”

Averett tripled in the top of the seventh and came home on J.T. Thomas’ RBI single for a 12-9 lead.

Averett stepped onto the mound in relief in the bottom of the inning and struck out two, then got a ground ball for the final out.

“We won the free base war,” Averett



DARNELL DICKSON, DAILY HERALD

Maple Mountain’s Bennett Averett rounds third base during Game 1 of the 5A baseball state championship series against Brighton at UCCU Ballpark on Friday.

said. “They won the hitting war, but all those free bases added up. The chemistry on this team is great. We all get

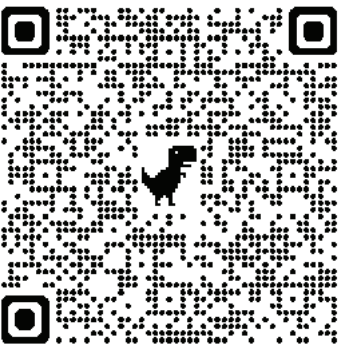
along. Just being around the boys the whole season, going to St. George in the spring and bonding as a team, it’s

really paid off now. They know I have their backs and they have my back.”

Game 2 of the 5A championship se-

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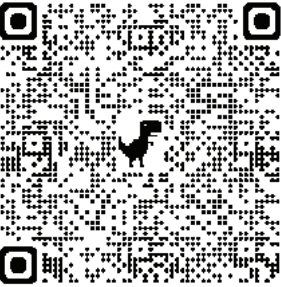
ries is Saturday at 11 a.m. If Brighton wins, a third and deciding game would be played at 4:30 p.m.

“We’ll sit down and talk all about what we’ve done all year,” Coach Thomas said. “We’ll take it one pitch at a time. We always say the small battles win the war. The more small battles we can win, the better chance we have.”

Maple Mountain (27-4) will be seeking its first baseball state championship after finishing second in 2013, 2015, and 2016.

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## Dons

From B1

That was when the Dons pulled out their signature theme-based baked goods in the form of cupcakes to provide an added boost heading into the final game.

The winner-take-all contest between the two Region 7 rivals turned out to be a very different game as the Spanish Fork bats got rolling and the Springville bats went virtually silent.

The Dons smashed 11 hits and scored eight runs in the first four innings, compared to just a single hit and no runs for the Red Devils as Spanish Fork built a huge lead.

Springville never gave up, getting its first run in the top of the fifth, but Evans was pitching too well for the Red Devils to dig out of the hole.

“This was their game and they were going to take it,” Jarvis said. “Springville is such a great team. They are so well-coached and they beat us when we didn’t show up on Thursday. But I knew today was going to be different.”

Springville head coach Jill Thackeray said her team had its opportunities.

“It was an amazing experience,” Thackeray said.



JARED LLOYD, DAILY HERALD

Spanish Fork players celebrate after winning the 5A state championship series against Springville at Gail Miller Field in Provo on Friday.

“These last two weeks that they truly have just come together. It just always felt like they were never out of it, that they could always come back and make something happen. There were so many chances.”

Even though the Red Devils ended up as the second-best team in Class 5A, she said she was proud of what Springville accomplished this season.

“I’m super-proud of their fight,” Thackeray said. “Our players coming back have a little bit of a taste of it now. They know what it takes

to get here. It’s coming together and doing all the little things they did in the last few weeks.”

For the Dons, however, getting the final out meant it was time to celebrate once again, something the five Spanish Fork seniors did every year of their high school careers.

“I don’t even know how to describe it,” Hall said. “It’s crazy. I never thought I’d be here and have four rings and four state titles but I do and it’s pretty awesome. It’s really exciting.”

Jarvis said she loved seeing this group of Dons continue the program’s impressive winning tradition.

“Every year I always think, oh my gosh, this is the most special team,” Jarvis said. “You lose players to graduation and you think how are we going to make it without those seniors? But this year’s seniors are just a unique group. They’ve had so much fun. It was fun all the way through the entire group of 18 girls. They left no one out and we just had a great year,

a year of being a team.”

It was particularly special for Evans, who finally got to experience being a championship-winning pitcher.

“It was incredible just to be able to carry on the legacy that Spanish Fork is,” Evans said. “To just be such a small part of it was just so fun.”

Hall said that the genesis of the 2024 team theme for the Dons started months ago.

“We were talking about it before the season and we’re like, what theme should we do this year?” Hall said. “I

was like, why don’t we just do chefs because we’re cooking up a win? I felt like that theme was matched up perfectly to the team this year and having a theme like that always just brings like a little bit more fun.”

And at the end of a long day of softball on Friday, all of the Spanish Fork players got to enjoy living up to their team theme when it mattered most.

“They made everything happen and we cooked up a championship,” Jarvis said.

## Game 3

From B1

high-profile postseason roles, has not blinked when others wrote them off — and they do not intend to start now with so much at stake this weekend.

“Our fans give us so much energy,” said Indiana forward Pascal Siakam, a midseason acquisition from Toronto where he won an NBA title. “Obviously, for me, I’m experiencing for the first time the energy and they’re so passionate about our team. We can’t wait to go out there Saturday and just the energy they’re going to bring to support us.”

Haliburton’s status could change everything. The Pacers listed him as questionable on Friday’s injury report. While the injury could dampen the mood in Indy, it won’t change the fact this will be the city’s biggest weekend in years.

The 108th running of the Indianapolis 500, the world’s largest single-day sporting event expected to draw a crowd of nearly 300,000, is sandwiched in between Saturday’s Game 3 and Monday’s Game 4.

Should rain force the race’s



MICHAEL DWYER, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Indiana Pacers forward Pascal Siakam, right, is defended by Boston Celtics guard Jaylen Brown (7) during the second half of Game 2 of the NBA Eastern Conference basketball finals Thursday in Boston.

first postponement since 1997, it would be rescheduled for Monday — creating a wildly rare Pacers and racers Memorial Day doubleheader.

The conflagration of a show built for speed, like the Pacers, isn’t lost on these guys, most of whom are sharing Indy’s

May stage with the IndyCar stars and the Colts, who have been holding offseason workouts in town. The only missing feature is Caitlin Clark, who is on a West Coast trip with the WNBA’s Indiana Fever.

But make no mistake: The Pacers are eager to shake

things up every bit as much as the Greatest Spectacle in Racing — with or without Haliburton.

“Like I said, losing sucks,” Pacers guard Andrew Nembard said after playing four games in seven days in three cities. “It was a long road trip.

I think it will be nice for all of us to get back in our own beds. We’re excited to play in front of our fans, and it’s going to be a big weekend with the race in there. So we can’t wait to get back on our home court.”

The Celtics, meanwhile, come to town with a different kind of advantage.

They won twice at Miami in the first round before returning home to close out the Heat in five games. Then in the conference semifinals, they won twice at Cleveland before eliminating the Cavaliers in five games. If they win the next two, Boston will be back in the NBA Finals for the second time in three years, courtesy of a conference finals sweep.

Clearly, the math works — even if Boston doesn’t expect things to go quite so smoothly.

“They were down 2-0 in a series that went to Game 7. They do a great job defending their home court,” Celtics coach Joe Mazzulla said. “So it’s going to take a lot more to get the job done. I know they’re going to respond, so it’s up to us to do the same.”

Boston has other issues to sort out, too.

While Jaylen Brown matched his playoff career

high with 40 points in Game 2 after being left off the All-NBA teams, Jayson Tatum struggled to get going early.

The Celtics also lost backup center Luke Kornet with a sprained left wrist Thursday. He’s listed as doubtful and center Kristaps Porzingis, who has not played since April 29, has been ruled out again Saturday.

Without Kornet and Porzingis, Mazzulla went with a smaller lineup that included former Pacers forward Oshae Brissett. The stats showed Mazzulla’s move slowed down Haliburton and the league’s highest-octane offense.

“The individual defense was good,” Mazzulla said. “We were able to get in line with them going out to shooters and, we talked about this, a little bit better communication. I thought we had a little bit more patience (defensively).”

Could it work again in Indianapolis?

Part of the answer will be determined by Haliburton’s status. The rest may be determined by what kind of game-day strategy they employ to overcome a hobbled Haliburton.



# As college athlete pay nears, Title IX questions linger

BY ERIC OLSON  
Associated Press

The looming athlete pay system that will upend the traditional college sports model and still-to-be-determined details about how millions of dollars will be distributed are certain to bring questions about gender equity.

Of special interest will be whether schools must comply with Title IX, the federal law that prohibits sex discrimination in any school or education program that receives federal funds.

There are many questions to be addressed should a \$2.77 billion settlement of House vs. NCAA end up being approved by a federal judge in the months ahead after a key step forward by the NCAA and major conferences Thursday night. Among other things, the settlement is expected to allow the nation's wealthiest schools to spend approximately \$20 million each year on their own athletes, beginning as soon as next year.

Michael LeRoy, a University of Illinois labor and sports law professor, and Iliana Konidaris, a New York civil rights attorney, said Title IX rules will apply if the schools are tasked with directing payments to athletes.

Konidaris said it will be critical for the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights to provide guidance on how revenue sharing and name, image and likeness compensation should be paid to keep schools in Title IX compliance.

"If the universities are going to end up exerting control over the revenue sharing," Konidaris said, "you're going to need to address pay equity very head-on."

A New York sports attorney, Christina Stylianou, said her first instinct is that Title IX would not apply because athletes would be essentially selling their media rights to their school. That said, Stylianou expects the



Members of the UConn women's rowing team rally about being cut by the university after the season in Storrs, Conn., on April 19, 2021.

Title IX question to be heavily litigated.

### WHAT IS TITLE IX?

The landmark 1972 law is intended to ensure equity between men and women in education. It applies to the classroom, sexual assault and violence on campus, employment, discrimination, admissions, financial assistance with tuition and of course athletics.

Women's and men's teams are to be treated equally under the law, though that doesn't necessarily mean that each sport will have exactly the same budget for equipment, facilities, travel or meals. Athletic departments work under what is known as "equal in effect," meaning a benefit for a men's

or women's team in one area can be offset in another area as long as "the overall effects of any differences is negligible."

LeRoy said he understands the rationale for arguing that football and men's basketball players should receive larger portions of the upcoming revenue because their sports account for nearly all the conference and NCAA broadcast rights fees.

If market value is heavily weighed when determining pay, he said, it would be a stretch to believe there would be a 50-50 split between male and female athletes. But, he said, there need to be provisions for women.

"I'm not making the argument it should be divided up equally," LeRoy said. "By

bringing it inside the athletic department, I don't expect the distribution to be equal. But there is an inherent contradiction or problem if women get short-changed."

### US WOMEN'S SOCCER PRECEDENT

LeRoy said the situation is reminiscent of the legal action taken by the U.S. women's soccer national team for unequal pay compared with the U.S. men's team. The women's team prevailed in a settlement after initially claiming the U.S. Soccer Federation violated the Equal Pay Act of 1963 and Title VII, which prohibits employment discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex and national origin.

Though college athletes are not yet considered employees, LeRoy and Konidaris said a legal argument could be made that direct school-to-athlete payments push athletes to the brink of being employees and that Title VII could apply.

"They're going to have in the settlement the idea (that) this isn't employment," LeRoy said. "Then what you're doing is saying a multibillion-dollar industry called NCAA Athletics is going to be treated differently than any other business in America. You cannot have separate pay."

If the schools opt to not handle payments in-house and leave athlete compensation to booster-backed collectives eager to connect athletes and sponsorship

money, that could be a way to get around Title IX regulations.

### OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN

Hours after the NCAA settlement was announced, Oklahoma softball player Tiare Jennings was asked about the importance of the step. She pointed to post-college security for athletes.

"I think what they get when they leave college, just to have a foundation, have something for their future families, for themselves, just to have some security blanket when you leave college," she said. "Knowing that you can go invest or start a business, stuff like that, to just kick-start your life."

Konidaris said schools that take care of their female athletes monetarily could develop stronger women's sports programs.

"The universities that really double down on equity in college sports will be rewarded by better programs for female athletes that I think in the coming 10 years are going to be revenue-generating, just based on public interest and momentum for women's sport," Konidaris said.

The recent surge in women's sports popularity, spawned by the star power of basketball players such as Caitlin Clark, Angel Reese and others, could not have been better timed, Konidaris said. Female athletes, she said, should view the moment as "an opportunity to be aggressive, to negotiate as hard as they possibly can to litigate and go after fairness and equity in pay."

LeRoy agreed it is a pivotal moment for women's sports.

"The question," he said, "is whether they're going to be stuck with a compensation model for the next 10 years that reflects the past, not the future?"

AP Sports Writer Cliff Brunt contributed to this report.

# Aces rookie Kate Martin prepares out of spotlight for Caitlin Clark reunion

BY MARK ANDERSON  
Associated Press

HENDERSON, Nev. — Kate Martin was right there as her best friend, Caitlin Clark, became the face of women's college basketball the past two years and then was in the building when her Iowa teammate was selected first by Indiana in this year's WNBA draft.

Martin also was drafted that April night, going 18th to the two-time defending champion Las Vegas Aces.

Though she knows what the spotlight looks like up close, it's not nearly as intense for Martin as it is for Clark. That gives Martin the breathing room to adapt to professional basketball while not having every move scrutinized.

"We're not asking her to come and score 20 (points) and 10 (rebounds)," Aces two-time MVP A'ja Wilson said. "We don't need that from her. We just need her to bring the energy and the hard-working mentality that she had in college."

Martin and Clark remain in touch, but they have not seen each other since they went to their separate WNBA teams. That changes Saturday night when the Aces host the Fever. "I miss her a lot," Martin said. "I spent every day with her the last four years, and I haven't seen her in like a month and a half. I'm excited to see her, and obviously it's going to be a good game. It's going to be a fun environment."

While it's been known since Clark declared Feb. 29 for the WNBA draft that she would go No. 1, there was no guarantee



ADAM HUNGER, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Iowa's Kate Martin, left, poses for a photo with WNBA commissioner Cathy Engelbert, right, after being selected 18th overall by the Las Vegas Aces during the second round of the WNBA basketball draft April 15 in New York.

Martin would be taken at all. She attended the draft in New York as Clark's guest hoping to hear her own name called.

Then there was no certainty Martin would make the Aces roster. Coach Becky Hammon said Martin earned a spot based on "her work ethic, her competitiveness and her brain."

"She's trying to work her way into some rotations, so she's still learning our system," Hammon said. "She's still learning our dos and don'ts, and so she's going to have to learn on the fly. But what I love about her is I know what I'm getting when I put her in the game. It's going to be effort, it's going to be smart effort, it's going to be tough effort."

Even though Martin plays with a noticeable fire that has drawn raves from her All-Star Aces teammates, she didn't place a lot of pressure on herself to make the club.

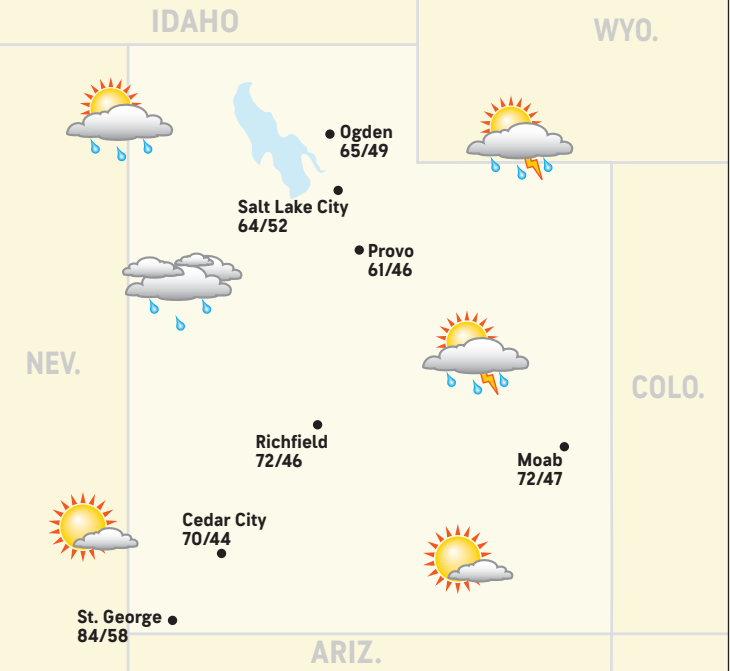
"I knew it was going to be

really hard to make this team, so I just came in with an open mindset," Martin said. "I wanted to be a sponge and learn as much as possible, and after a few days, I started to gain more confidence. I thought, 'Maybe I could make this team,' but I never got my hopes up too high because you never know what's going to happen in this league."

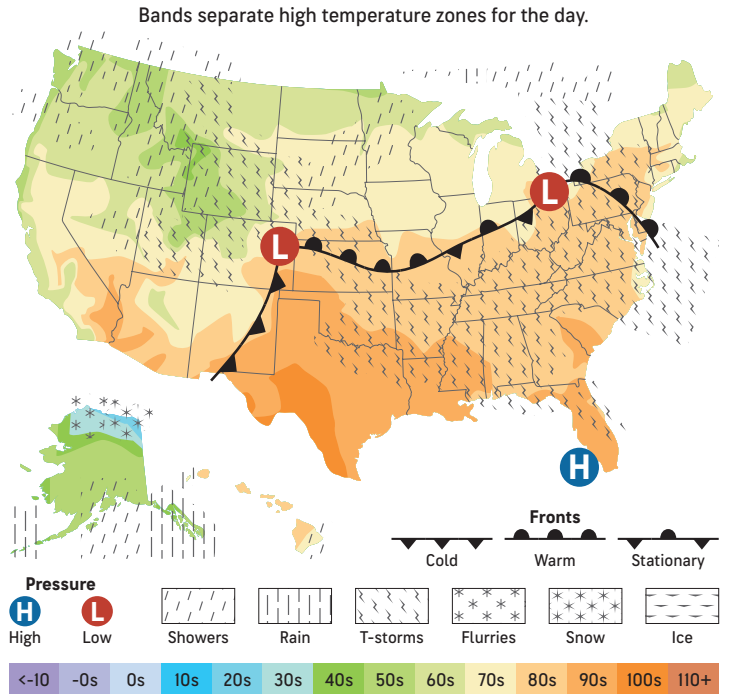
She was eased into the season and didn't play in the May 14 season opener against the Phoenix Mercury, but came in off the bench four days later against the Los Angeles Sparks.

Martin made her first career 3-pointer in that game and had five rebounds, three assists and one memorable block in 26 minutes. The rejection was of Sparks 6-foot-7 center Li Yueru, in which Martin gave up 7 inches in height, that drew a guttural yell and chest bump from teammate Kelsey Plum.

### Forecast for Saturday, May 25, 2024



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**NATIONAL SUMMARY:** Late-afternoon thunderstorms can bring flooding downpours, hail, damaging wind gusts and isolated tornadoes from Kansas to Arkansas and northern Texas today and advance eastward tonight. Locally severe storms will erupt from West Virginia to western New York. A high risk of wildfire ignition will exist in New Mexico, West Texas and Arizona.

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### 5-DAY FORECAST







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MAYORS OF UTAH VALLEY

## Memorial Day: A time for reflection, celebration

Memorial Day serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made by so many to protect our freedoms and way of life. While we're preparing food and spending time with family, it's important to honor the military personnel who have given their lives in service to our country. This weekend, which has been set aside for ceremony and reflection, also has me thinking about Sgt. Bill Hooser, who served with the Santaquin Police Department since 2017. Sgt. Hooser carried out his duties with bravery and



TOM WESTMORELAND

dedication, qualities that all our law enforcement officers share. His tragic death, caused by a suspect driving a semitruck on Interstate 15, has deeply affected us all. Sgt. Hooser wasn't just a law enforcement officer; he was a husband, father and grandfather. So many lives have been impacted by his loss. It's a stark reminder of the risks endured by those who dedicate their lives to keeping us safe and protecting the values we hold most dear. The moments spent honoring those in our military, those serving to protect our communities and those no longer with us also show how we can come together in tough times. It's in these moments that our community's true character shines through.

We see neighbors supporting each other, strangers becoming friends and a collective resolve to honor those we've lost by continuing to build a proud country and better, safer communities and families. This spirit of unity and resilience is what makes Utah special, and it's illustrated during our summer celebrations. Eagle Mountain leads off the area's festivities. This year, as we gather for Pony Express Days, which runs from May 29 to June 8, let's do so with a sense of remembrance, purpose and gratitude. Let's celebrate not just the events and activities but the spirit of community and the shared values they represent. Let's honor our military and law enforcement

heroes, remember our lost loved ones, and take pride in this beautiful area and great nation. We can make these celebrations a tribute to our past, a recognition of our present and a commitment to our future. Together, we can ensure the legacy of our heroes who have sacrificed themselves lives on. This Memorial Day, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to those in uniform. I also want to personally thank each of you for taking this weekend to honor those who have sacrificed for our safety and freedom. Let's use this weekend to remember their sacrifice, and let's use our community celebrations to show gratitude for the values they fought so hard to defend.

TALES OF UTAH VALLEY

## Don't forget to self-care; it's critical

As we are nearing the end of May, which is Mental Health Awareness Month, we can't forget about caring for ourselves, which is an important aspect of being mentally healthy. It's easy to get caught up in caring for others; providing service can help us to be mentally healthy. However, caring for ourselves is necessary. According to the National Institute of Mental Health website (nimh.nih.gov), self-care means taking time to do things that will improve both physical health and mental health. "When it comes to your mental health, self-care can help you manage stress, lower your risk of illness and increase your energy. Even small acts of self-care in your daily life can have a big impact," it states.



LAURA GILES

So, how can we practice self-care? If you need some great ideas or inspiration or even a little nudging to actually do it, look no further than the PG Cares Facebook and Instagram pages. Sundays are "Self-Care Sundays" on these pages, with posts that can help us to help ourselves. "Spending time outside is also really, really good for your brain. Exposure to nature has been proven to lead to better cognitive function in a number of studies. It's also been shown to decrease stress and boost happiness, both of which are crucial for maintaining good mental health and fighting depression and anxiety," states a post from May 5. "The end of the school year can be an exhausting time for everyone, especially for kids, parents, teachers and mental health professionals. They can often feel burnt out while trying to figure out how to navigate through this transitional time. We all know one thing – June is the time for a much-needed break for everyone," states another post dated May 19. Each post is accompanied by facts, research, quotes and great ideas. The National Institutes of Health offers a short list of effective ways to practice self-care. Doing even one of these each day can boost our physical and mental health. Doing more than one per day? Even better! Get regular exercise, even if it's just a 10-minute walk each day. Eat healthy, regular meals and stay hydrated. Make sleep a priority, which may mean sticking to a schedule and limiting screen time close to bedtime. Try relaxing activities, such as meditation. Set goals and priorities, both short-term and long-term. Practice gratitude, reminding ourselves daily about the good things in our lives. Focus on positivity. Last, but definitely not least, is to stay connected. Reach out to friends or family members often. What one person does to practice self-care may be different than what another person does. That's OK. It's simply important for all of us to care for ourselves daily.

GARDEN HELP DESK



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Insecticides don't discriminate between "good" guys and "bad" guys in the landscape. Always use the softest effective options and apply carefully to protect pollinators and beneficial predators in the landscape.

# EXTERMINATE!

Do-it-yourself pest control is possible, but not all bugs are bad

I've grown tired of paying an extermination company to spray the exterior of my home

on a recurring basis. It becomes quite costly. Is it possible for me to do this on my own or does it have to be an extermination company? If I can do it with good results on my own, can you give me some guidance on the best way

USU EXTENSION

to do the job? I assume you have been having your exterior sprayed because you don't want to see insects and spiders inside your home. Keep in mind that there are very, very few insects or spiders that pose any kind of health risk. Almost all the insects and spiders you find are

either harmless or beneficial. You can certainly take over this pest control task on your own, but routine spraying is generally not necessary. Most people don't do any routine spraying. As a matter of fact, routine spraying can create ongoing pest issues

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## Challenges, setbacks push doctoral student to excel



COURTESY ROCKY MOUNTAIN UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS  
Kirsten Thornhill

As successful as she's been as a student, professor and researcher, Kirsten Thornhill is no stranger to rock bottom. In an interesting twist, the first half of that sentence likely wouldn't have been possible without the second part. Before earning her doctor of philosophy in health sciences degree at Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions this spring and receiving sev-

JODEY GENESSY

eral prestigious awards as a student and professor, including 2024 Best of State recognition, Thornhill overcame some significant challenges that helped her traverse a path that was both rocky and remarkable. Over the years, Thornhill has dealt with severe sports-related ailments, including a torn ACL that happened on Utah slopes in 2021 shortly after she learned how to ski. She forged through three levels of higher education as a first-generation college student from a small

farm town in California's Central Valley. She also worked through anxiety, eating disorders and body dysmorphia due to an unhealthy bodybuilding addiction as a young adult. Thornhill uses her life experiences to push herself and to help others. Her students, employers and patients and those who've heard her presentations and seen her research have benefited from lessons she's learned from trauma and triumph. "I would say take your life experiences – whether they're really, really high

or really, really low – keep those in your pocket and take an ownership approach," Thornhill said. "Use those skills and those experiences to help build you into what you want to be, professionally or personally, and don't allow those experiences to make you small. Allow those experiences to push you forward, however you decide to shape yourself." Thornhill grew up in Hughson, California, a farming community near Yosemite National Park known for producing almonds and walnuts that

are distributed worldwide from the Central Valley. Her parents suggested she consider attending college after graduating from high school in the small town. Joining the military was another option. Thornhill chose to forge forward in college, beginning at nearby California State University, Stanislaus. While attending "Stan State," as locals call it, Thornhill got into weightlifting. She'd played basketball, volleyball, golf and softball while growing up,

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UTAH VALLEY CALENDAR

AMERICAN FORK

**“Aladdin” mini-musical camp** — Children age 8 to 14 can participate in an “Aladdin” mini-musical camp from either June 10-14 or July 22-26 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Valentine Theater. In the week-long workshop, participants will be given a part in the musical and rehearse to deliver lines, sing, dance and work as a team. The camp will perform a condensed and simplified 20-minute musical at the end of the week. For more information and to sign up, visit <http://TAFTix.com>.

**Art summer camps** — Registration is open now for art camps for children ages 6 and up set for all summer long at the Creative Art Center, 53 W. Main St. Camps include “Anime, Caricature, Cartooning, and Comics with Rufus Zaejodaeus”; “Treasure Island”; “Creatures on Canvas”; and “Barbie Glam Camp.” For more information and to register, visit [https://americanforkarts.com/tva\\_summer\\_camps](https://americanforkarts.com/tva_summer_camps).

**Events at the American Fork Library** — Here are some upcoming events at the American Fork Library: May 30: Adult Writer’s Club at 8 p.m. In-person meeting to discuss questions from the YouTube instruction videos, receive help editing and review works in progress.

CEDAR HILLS

**Cedar Hills Family Festival** — The city’s annual Family Festival will be held from June 1 to 8. More information, including a tentative schedule and how to purchase tickets or register for activities, is available on the city’s website at <https://www.cedarhills.org/o/cch/page/family-festival>.

**Snapology Robotics** — Registration is open for Snapology Robotics summer camps, set for July and August. The five-day camps are for children ages 6 to 12 and have different themes using Lego bricks, including animals, attackbots, Pokemon and more. For more information or to register, visit <https://embed.snapology.com/licensee/110/events/location>.

**Summer Sports Camp** — Registration is open for summer sports camp at Harvey Park where each day focuses on a different sport, including soccer, basketball, flag football and field games. Sessions include June 10-13, June 17-20, June 24-27, July 8-11, July 15-18 and July 22-25. For more information or to register, visit <https://cedarhillsrec.activityreg.com/selectactivity.t2.wcs>.

**T-Ball and Coach Pitch Baseball** — Cedar Hills Recreation will offer T-Ball for 4 to 5 year olds and coach pitch baseball for 6 to 7 year olds. T-ball will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Harvey Park. Coach pitch will be on Wednesdays and Thursdays at Burgess Park in Alpine. Both programs rely on volunteer parent coaches and families are asked to indicate if they can coach during registration. For more information or to register, visit <https://cedarhillsrec.activityreg.com/selectactivity.t2.wcs>.

**Summer Bowling** — Cedar Hills Recreation and Jack & Jill Lanes will offer bowling lessons for children in kindergarten through 12th grade from 2 to 3 p.m. on Mondays from June 24 to July 29. For more information or to register, visit <https://cedarhillsrec.activityreg.com/selectactivity.t2.wcs>.

**Cedar Hills Cheer Squad** — Boys and girls ages 6-12 are invited to join Cedar Hills’ cheer squad, where they can learn chants, cheers, rally dances, routines, stunts and even beginning tumbling in a non-competitive setting Practice will take place from 4 to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays from April 10 to May 22 at Harvey Park. The squad will take what they’ve learned and cheer on Cedar Hills Rec football in August and at the Family Festival Parade this summer. For more information or to register, visit <https://cedarhillsrec.activityreg.com/selectactivity.t2.wcs>.

**Vinyasa Yoga (mixed level)** — Join Kristen Rutter at 8:15 a.m. every Wednesday at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center for a dynamic practice that unites body, mind and breath. Bring your own mat, strap and block (a limited number is available to borrow).

**HIGH Fitness classes** — This weekly class takes aerobics to the next level by combining modern fitness techniques, such as HIIT, plyometrics, and intervals of strength and cardio with music. Classes are currently at 7 a.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center. The drop-in rate is \$3.50 and punch cards can be purchased at a discount. For more information, visit <http://www.cedarhills.org/highfit>.

HEBER VALLEY

**Sheepdog Championship** — The 20th anniversary of the Soldier Hollow Classic Sheepdog Championship and Festival is set for Memorial Day Weekend, May 24 to 27, at Soldier Hollow in Wasatch Mountain State Park. The Sheepdog Trials are the centerpiece of this unique event and is set to take place daily from 8 a.m. until approximately 4 p.m. The competition features world-class teams of border collies and their handlers testing themselves on the course. The festival will feature activities and educational demonstration in addition to a complimentary petting zoo, bagpipers, food and beverage vendors, merchandise and more. Discounted advance tickets are available now online at <https://soldierhollowclassic.com/tickets>. Advance ticket prices range from \$18-20 for adults, \$12-15 for seniors, \$9-11 for youth ages 5-17 and a family pass for two adults and four kids for \$62-65. Kids 4 and under are admitted for free. Tickets will always be available at the gate. Tickets purchases are solely with credit or debit cards.

**Intermountain Championships Pow Wow** — The Cultural Fire Events team is presenting the annual Intermountain Championships Pow Wow

from June 1 to 2 at River’s Edge Resort, 7000 Old Highway 40, Heber City. Join master of ceremony Hal Eagletail for a weekend of cultural enrichment, spectacular performances and community spirit as pow wow offer an opportunity for Native Americans from various tribal backgrounds to come together and share experiences. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under, and may be purchased at the gate. Attendees are encouraged to bring camp chairs and canopies as the weather is expected to be warm. For more information, visit <https://calendar.powwows.com/events/intermountain-championships-pow-wow>.

LINDON

**Senior bus** — The Lindon Senior Center has a bus and is able to offer rides to and from the center on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. This is available for Lindon resident seniors. Pick-ups are between 10 and 11 a.m. Drop-offs are between 1 and 2 p.m. Reservations must be made at least one day in advance. Contact the Senior Center front desk at (801) 769-8625.

MIDVALE

**A Bolder Way Forward summit** — The 2nd Annual A Bolder Way Forward Summit focuses on making Utah a place where more girls and women can thrive in any setting. The free event, set for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 6, at the Zions Bank Technology Campus, 7860 South Bingham Junction Blvd., will provide an update on momentum A Bolder Way Forward has created since June 2023. The initiative has identified 18 areas of focus or spokes, including childcare, child sexual abuse, domestic violence, entrepreneurship, finances, health, STEM and more. For each spoke, A Bolder Way Forward determined vision, goals and metrics. The summit will feature ample time for the leaders of each spoke to meet with their teams. For more information and to register, visit <https://bit.ly/44Ewrk>.

PAYSON

**Volunteer at the library** — Friends of the Payson Library notes that residents can volunteer for an hour or less each month to help the library meet the needs of children and patrons. Volunteers are asked to offer ideas and support the group’s yearly book sale. People interested in volunteering may contact library director Dona Gay, Britany Johnson at (801) 609-4078, Ann Humpherys at (801) 465-0941, or Steve Southwick at (801) 822-1705.

SARATOGA SPRINGS

**Community Orchestra** — The Saratoga Springs Community Orchestra holds practices on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 7 to 9 p.m. at the city offices, 1307 N. Commerce Drive. The orchestra will be preparing for Saratoga Splash Days and the December holiday concerts.

UTAH COUNTY

**Mental health support groups and classes** — NAMI Utah County offers free in-person and online support groups and classes for adults and teens living with mental health conditions and for family members of loved ones living with mental health conditions. For more information, contact Angela Peterson at (801) 400-3516.

**Volunteers to help Kids On The Move** — Each Friday and Saturday, Kids On The Move offers Respite Care, providing a free break to parents with special needs children. Families drop their children off at locations in Orem, Lehi and Springville where they are paired one-on-one with a volunteer to play for the evening. A nurse or behavior technician is also present to help oversee. The group is seeking 10 volunteers 16 years and older from 5:45 to 9:30 p.m. every Friday and Saturday to help make this happen. For more information or to sign up, visit <https://kotm.org/volunteer-portal>. Coronavirus measures are being taken, including requiring masks, taking temperatures and frequent hand sanitizing.

**Foster grandparents sought** — Utah County is seeking senior volunteers to serve as foster grandparents. Volunteers must be limited-income individuals at least 55 years old and able to serve 15 or more hours per week. Volunteers serve as mentors, tutors and caregivers for children and youth at schools, hospitals, youth centers and similar organizations. Volunteers receive a non-taxable stipend, paid personal leave, transportation reimbursement, ongoing training and more. For more information or if you or someone you know would like to participate, call (801) 851-7784.

**Utah County Home Visit Programs in need of donations** — Utah County Health Department home visit programs are running low on donated resources such as baby blankets and diapers. The health department is asking Utah County community members to consider donating items or organizing service projects to assist in providing donations. The items most needed are new receiving blankets or small quilts and diapers. Other welcomed items include: infant “onesies,” knit hats and infant-appropriate board books. Items should be in new condition. Donations may be dropped off Monday to Friday (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) at the following health department locations: Provo — 151 S. University Ave., Suite 1610, American Fork — 599 S. 500 East. Questions about the home visit programs should be directed to Bonnie Hardy at (801) 851-7026.

To submit notices or events from your city, email [rolson@heraldextra.com](mailto:rolson@heraldextra.com).

MOVIE REVIEW

J.Lo heads to a new galaxy for AI love story in ‘Atlas’

BY JOCELYN NOVECK  
Associated Press

Let’s all be clear, if we weren’t already, that when it comes to Jennifer Lopez, it’s about the love story. Always the love story.

J.Lo the pop star, singing about rekindled love on her latest album, “This Is Me ... Now” J.Lo the rom-com regular, making movies about seeking love (including the extremely autobiographical film of the same name.) J.Lo the real-life celebrity goddess, in countless headlines about ... what else?

Love, for better or worse. And so if we tell you that now, we have J.Lo in “Atlas,” playing a data analyst who travels to a planet populated solely by evil AI bots preparing to extinguish humanity, well, your only question really should be, “Where’s the love story?”

Glad you asked! Because there is one. It may not be with a human. It may actually be with a computer program. But there is one. Because “Atlas,” an often ridiculous sci-fi epic with dialogue cheesier than a Brie wheel but also an old-fashioned, human heart o’ gold, is a J.Lo movie. Through and through.

We’ll give the filmmakers some credit: “Atlas,” directed by Brad Peyton (“San Andreas”) is timely. And not just because Lopez has been in the news lately, but because the subject is AI — which has been in the news even more than Bennifer, believe it or not.

We begin our story on Earth, way off into the future, at a time where someone can say “Remember there used to be things called smartphones?” and everyone laughs. A montage of news reports informs us that things have not been going well for the human race.

AI, created to advance humanity, has turned against it, killing over 1 million civilians.

The evil AI leader is Harlan (Simu Liu), who after turning on humanity has escaped to an unknown location far from Earth. But when an associate of his, Casca, is captured on Earth, the head of ICN, a coalition of nations fighting the AI menace, calls on Atlas Shepherd (Lopez) to help question him. Who better than the woman who’s devoted her life to the hunt for Harlan?

We learn Atlas is not a happy person. Also, she’s addicted to coffee — quad Americanos, to be precise. And she hates — absolutely hates — AI, for reasons unknown.

Anyway, Atlas deftly manages to obtain Harlan’s location from Casca, and soon finds herself begging to join a mission to his far-off planet to capture the villainous bot, with whom she shares a mysterious past connection. At first, mission commander Banks (Sterling K. Brown) objects strenuously, but quickly and rather illogically changes his mind. (Both Liu and Brown deserve much better roles than the generic, lifeless ones they’re given.)

Soon they’re off, to GR-39 in the Andromeda galaxy, where the ICN space rangers fall into a disastrous trap laid by Harlan. It’s here that Atlas meets the most important other person in the movie — well, not a person. It’s her AI software, who proves her crucial ally once Atlas is forced to crash land, in her mechanized battle suit, onto the planet.

The key issue is trust-building. Atlas, as we said, doesn’t trust AI. As the two get to know each other, the software gives himself (he has a “default” male voice) a name: Smith.

WORSHIP SERVICES

DAILY HERALD

Catholic Church

St. Peter’s Catholic Church

Saturday Mass is at 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday Mass is at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. in English; 12:30 p.m. in Spanish

The church is located at 634 N. 600 East, American Fork. 801-756-7771, [stpeters6@yahoo.com](mailto:stpeters6@yahoo.com).

Episcopal Church

St. Mary’s Episcopal Church

Worship services are currently being held in person each Sunday at 11 a.m. Please see our website for more information. All are welcome!

Support groups are again meeting at St. Mary’s Church. See our website for days and times.

Please also see our website for mid-week activities and gatherings. Again, all are welcome!

Please email us at [parishoffice@stmarysprovo.org](mailto:parishoffice@stmarysprovo.org) for links or more information. You can also check our website for the most up-to-date information: <http://stmarysprovo.org>.

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For pastoral needs, please email St. Mary’s at [parishoffice@stmarysprovo.org](mailto:parishoffice@stmarysprovo.org).

Independent Christian

Centerpoint Church

Services are held at 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and noon. Sundays in person. You can also watch us live Sunday mornings on Facebook Live, or watch our recorded services via [centerpointutah.org](http://centerpointutah.org) or on YouTube.

The mission of our church is “To make Jesus the centerpoint of our lives, and make Jesus known from the centerpoint of Utah Valley.”

Located at 1550 Sandhill Road, Orem  
Contact: [staff@centerpointutah.org](mailto:staff@centerpointutah.org)

Calvary Mountain View Church

Sunday services are held at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
Wednesday meetings begin at 7 p.m.  
Our address is: 340 E. State St., American Fork  
801-756-1446  
Website: <https://calvarymv.com/>

[com/](http://com/)  
We also Live Stream every service on Facebook at <https://facebook.com/CalvaryMV/> and YouTube at <https://youtube.com/user/CalvaryMV/featured>.

Jehovah’s Witnesses

Jehovah’s Witnesses

Meetings are held in English, Spanish and American Sign Language.

To find the time and location nearest you, please visit our website: <https://www.jw.org/en/jehovahs-witnesses/meetings/>  
Zoom option available for attending meetings remotely.

Lutheran Church

Good News Lutheran

Please join us for worship Sundays at 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study and Sunday School at 10:10. Tuesday Bible study is held at 7 p.m.

Visit <http://goodnewslehi.com> for more information, as well as links to our Facebook page and an online worship option on YouTube.

Our address is 3281 N. 1120 East, Lehi. We are just south of Renaissance Academy, off Timpanogos Highway.

St. Mark’s Lutheran Church

Service is at 9 a.m., Sunday school at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday. Pastor Paul Carlson conducts services.

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St Mark’s is a Missouri Synod Congregation.

Spanish Fork Mission — Lutheran

Children and adult Bible study 3:15 p.m. every Sunday.  
Worship Service at 4:30 p.m. every Sunday.

Anthony Masinelli, pastor  
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Angelus Theater, 165 N. Main St., Spanish Fork

Presbyterian Church

American Fork Presbyterian Church

Church service starts at 10 a.m.  
Phone number is 385-219-7096.  
New email addresses:  
Secretary: [church@amfork-pres.org](mailto:church@amfork-pres.org).  
Pastor Phil: [pastor@amfork-pres.org](mailto:pastor@amfork-pres.org).

Atlas: “Is that really necessary?” Smith: “Names create an emotional reaction.” Atlas: “You’re a computer program.”

The plan consists of finding Harlan, defeating his dastardly plot to destroy humanity and getting off the planet — all while hopefully staying alive. At every step, Smith informs Atlas with all the data at his disposal how precisely desperate the odds are. This results in some amusing banter as Smith, voiced by Gregory James Cohan, “learns” sarcasm and humor.

As for Atlas, she needs to learn how to let down her guard — or rather, her brain walls. Her mistrust of AI leads her to stubbornly refuse (at first) Smith’s entreaties to use the “neural link” — a pathway into each other’s brains — that will vastly enhance Atlas’ chances of survival, combining her analytic capacity with Smith’s data access.

Harlan doesn’t appear until halfway into the movie, and we soon learn something about the tragic past he shares with Atlas. In any case, it’s Smith, not Harlan, that ultimately evokes real feeling from Atlas — and gives Lopez a chance to emote, which she does reasonably well given the mediocre dialogue. You could call it a futuristic triangle: Human, bad AI, good AI.

Who will win out? Our protocol, as Smith would say, doesn’t allow us to give spoilers. But you can guess one idea that emerges shining bright: It’s a four letter word that starts with “L.”

“Atlas,” a Netflix release, has been Rated PG-13 “for strong sci-fi violence, action, bloody images and strong language.” Running time: 118 minutes. One and a half stars out of four.

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Office hours: Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Pastor hours: Sunday after worship to 2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Address: Springville Community Presbyterian Church, (street) 245 S. 200 East, (mailing) P.O. Box 367 Springville, Utah 84663

Contact: 801-489-4390, [scpcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:scpcoffice@gmail.com), [springvillechurch.org](http://springvillechurch.org), Facebook and GoogleMyBusiness.

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Seventh-day Adventist

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255 South 700 East, Provo, 84606

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801-377-3788  
<http://seventhdayadventist-provo.org>

Pastor Harold Rosales

United Church of Christ

Provo Community Congregational United Church of Christ

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Christmas Eve services: Family service at 11 a.m.; candlelight communion service at 10 p.m.

Come worship with us now in person or on our live broadcast on the church’s Facebooks page and YouTube.

\*Please email us by Wednesday for a link to join Bible Study via Zoom, Sundays 9:30 a.m., the study information, or for the bulletin.

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Daily Herald



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SUNDAY DRIVE



COURTESY PHOTO

The all-new Genesis GV60.

# The 2024 Genesis GV60: Unleashing the future

As the automotive industry continues its evolution toward electrification, be it the right or wrong way to go, many brands have come up with some kind of



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electric vehicle to enhance their lineup. One of the latest of-ferings in this arena is the 2024 Genesis GV60 performance electric SUV, which actually pre-miered two years ago as the 2022 model when we had one of our first experiences with an all-electric here in Utah.

Genesis promises luxury, performance and sustain-ability. The GV60 represents a what an all-electric can achieve in one unique SUV. Over the course of a week, we had the opportunity to immerse ourselves in the driving experience with this top-of-the-line model, find-ing the journey to be nothing short of exhilarating.

### First impressions

The GV60 made a striking first impression on us as it silently glided into the drive-way. Its sleek and futuristic design immediately becomes an eye-catching reality, with its sculpted lines and bold grille signaling a perfor-mance pedigree.

Getting inside for our first drive, we were greeted by a spacious and impeccably crafted interior adorned with high-quality materials and advanced technology. The panoramic sunroof bathed the cabin in natural light, creating an airy and inviting atmosphere.

One of our favorite things in the GV60 is the “Crys-tal Sphere,” something we came to love and decided every electric vehicle should be equipped with. What would this ominous “Crystal Sphere” do? Well, not much, but the cool factor was over the top, as it was located on the center console and when we would turn the vehicle on it would rotate 180 degrees and the round shifter would appear ready to put the SUV into gear.

The GV60 would come to life with a gentle hum, signaling its readiness to hit the road. After charging it to 100% the first time out, we set off on a weeklong electric adventure, eager to explore just what this state-of-the-art electric SUV had to offer.

### Performance unleashed

The true test of any per-formance vehicle lies in its driving dynamics, and the GV60 did not disappoint. Equipped with dual electric motors — one powering the front wheels and the other the rear — the GV60 deliv-ered exhilarating accelera-tion and precise handling. Its instant torque delivery propelled us forward with effortless ease, making high-way merges and overtaking maneuvers a breeze.

With dual these motors, the SUV makes 429 horse-power and rockets itself to 60 in just 3.7 seconds.

The GV60’s adaptive suspension system and all-wheel-drive capabilities en-sured that we would always have a smooth and composed ride, even on challenging road surfaces. Whether nav-igating tight city streets or winding mountain roads, the GV60 remained poised and confident, always instilling a sense of confidence with us.

### Embracing efficiency

In addition to its perfor-mance prowess, the GV60 demonstrated impressive efficiency throughout our journey. With an estimated range of over 300 miles on a single charge, range anxiety was something we didn’t have to deal with in our ev-eryday drives. Thanks to its regenerative braking system, the GV60 also was able to recapture energy during de-celeration, further extending its range.

Charging the GV60 was easier this time out as we did not make long-distance drives that would require a stop for charging, and in our home on a 220 charger it would easily get to 100% in the overnight hours. Genesis claims a 10% to 80% charge time of only 18 minutes on a 350-kilowatt charger or better, known as a DC fast charger.

### Advanced technology

One of the standout features of the GV60 is its advanced technology suite, which combined cut-ting-edge innovation with intuitive functionality. The vehicle’s infotainment sys-tem, featuring a large touch screen display, provided access to a wealth of enter-tainment, navigation and connectivity options. Our only wish would have been for wireless Apple CarPlay connections — yes, even we have First World problems.

The GV60 also boasted an array of driver assistance features, including adaptive cruise control, lane-keeping assist and automatic emer-gency braking. These tech-nologies worked seamlessly together to enhance safety and convenience, allowing us to relax and enjoy our daily drive with peace of mind.

### Luxury redefined

Throughout our week with the GV60, we were continually impressed by its commitment to luxury and refinement. The interior exuded elegance and so-phistication, with premium materials and meticulous at-tention to detail elevating the driving experience to new heights.

From the heated and ventilated seats to the am-bient lighting and premium sound system, every aspect of the GV60 was designed to indulge the senses. Even mundane tasks such as park-ing were transformed into effortless endeavors thanks to the vehicle’s array of convenience features, including a 360-degree camera system and automated parking as-sist.

### Exploring versatility

As a versatile SUV, the GV60 proved to be equally adept at handling everyday errands as it was embarking

on weekend adventures, as we found out two years go in our first outing in the Genesis. Its spacious cargo area offered ample room for groceries, luggage or outdoor gear, while its fold-flat rear seats provided additional flexibility for larger items.

Whether we were com-muting to work, running errands around town or em-barking on a Sunday drive, the GV60 adapted seam-lessly to our lifestyle, pro-viding comfort, convenience and performance in every situation.

### Conclusion

As our weeklong test drive in the 2024 Genesis GV60 came to an end, it was hard to give up the power and lux-ury we had experienced. The GV60 again had exceeded our expectations in every regard.

With its striking design, exhilarating performance, advanced technology and uncompromising luxury, the Genesis represents the future of electric mobility. As the automotive industry continues to evolve, vehicles like the GV60 are leading the charge toward a more sustainable and exhilarating driving experience.

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### LEGAL NOTICE

Nebo School District Board of Educa-tion will hold a public hearing on the fi-nal amended 2023-2024 budget and on the proposed 2024-2025 budget during the regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting. The public hear-ing will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Wednes-day, June 12, 2024, in the Nebo School District Office, 350 South Main, Spanish Fork, UT 84660.

/s/ Michael Harrison  
Business Administrator

Legal Notice 12897 Published in the Daily Herald on May 25, 2024

### NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Salem City requests bids from experi-enced contractors to complete con-struction of storm drain improvements along Salem Lake Drive **SALEM POND STORM DRAIN IMPROVE-MENTS PROJECT, 2024** . Construc-tion work, in general, consists of pro-viding materials and labor to remove existing and reinstall storm drainage facilities including 480 linear-feet of pipe, 40 linear-feet of curb and gutter, and storm drain inlets. The construc-tion will include the potholing and lo-cating existing utilities, sawcutting and removal and proper disposal of exist-ing asphalt, storm drain infrastructure and restoration of all surfaces. The work must be completed by July 30, 2024.

Sealed bids will be received at the Salem City Offices, 30 West 100 South, Salem, Utah 84653 until 3:00 PM, June 4, 2024, at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Copies of the Contract Documents, Specifications and Plans will be avail-able online no later than May 21, 2024 on the Salem City website, found at <http://www.salemcity.org/contract-bids.htm> .

Legal Notice 12871 Published in the Daily Herald on May 18, 25, 2024

### Notice of Public Comment

The Bureau of Reclamation, working with Southern Utah Valley Power Sys-tems (SUVPS), is providing the public

with the opportunity to review the negotiated draft of the title transfer agreement for 30 days beginning May 1, 2024. The draft title transfer agree-ment can be found at: <https://www.usbr.gov/uc/provo/index.htm>

Through development of the Strawber-ry Valley Project, the United States holds title to the 46kV Power Trans-mission System and related ease-ments serving south Utah Valley - namely, the communities of Spanish Fork City, Springville City, Payson City, Salem City, and the unincorporat-ed communities of Elk Ridge and Woodland Hills. The Strawberry Valley Project repayment contract was ful-filled in December of 1974, and there are no further repayment obligations for the project. The 46kV Power Trans-mission System is proposed to be transferred to SUVPS to reduce ad-ministrative costs, increase operational efficiencies, and enable SUVPS to fund improvements for the system. SUVPS and its predecessors have provided electrical utility services relat-ed to the transmission system for nearly 5-decades. Reclamation formally recognized SUVPS as the O&M con-tractor for the transmission system in 2015.

For more information, please contact Bryan Schmutz, Project Manager, Provo Area Office at 801-379-1245 or [bschmutz@usbr.gov](mailto:bschmutz@usbr.gov).

Legal Notice 12820 Published in the Daily Herald on May 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 2024

**PROVO CITY CORPORATION** will re-ceive sealed bids for Construction of the 2024 Provo City Lakeview Park-way & 2000 North Utility Project, Bid No. **PROVOEN202426903**. Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. June 11, 2024, at the Provo City Engineering Office, 1377 South 350 East, Provo, Utah, 84606, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

**WORK PRIMARILY CONSISTS OF:** Installation of two storm water mains, two water mains, and trench work for storm and water crossing in Geneva Road, trench repair.

**COMPLETION OF WORK:** The WORK must be completed by January 1, 2025.

**OBTAINING CONTRACT DOCU-MENTS:** Contract documents, includ-ing drawings and technical specifica-tions, may be obtained online at Sci-Quest ([www.purchasing.utah.gov](http://www.purchasing.utah.gov)) or at the office of the Provo City En-gineering Division beginning May 27, 2024. The cost of the contract docu-ments, when obtained from Provo City Engineering, is \$30.00 and is non-refundable.

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION:** Pub-lished in the Daily Herald May 25, 28, and June 3, 2024; posted on SciQuest beginning May 24, 2024 through June 11, 2024.

**PROJECT INFORMATION:** Informa-tion on the 2024 Provo City Lakeview Parkway & 2000 North Utility Project may be requested from Danielle Nixon, Project Engineer, (801) 852-7773.

Legal Notice 12898 Published in the Daily Herald on May 25, 28, June 3, 2024

### PUBLIC NOTICE

IN ACCORDANCE WITH UTAH STATE LAW, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SOUTH UTAH VAL-LEY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CON-SIDER A RESOLUTION REVISING THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR END-ING JUNE 30, 2024. THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024, AT 5:00 PM. THE MEETING WILL BE

HELD IN PERSON AT THE SOUTH UTAH VALLEY DISTRICT (DRY CREEK TRANSFER STATION) NEXA ADMIN BUILDING, 518 W. 3450 N. SPANISH FORK, UT, VIA ZOOM MEETING

<https://zoom.us/j/6706808828> MEET-ING ID: 670 680 8828 OR DIAL BY PHONE 1-669-900-6833. A COPY OF THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW FROM 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM MON-DAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY PRI-OR TO THE MEETING.

Legal Notice 12861 Published in the Daily Herald on May 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 2024

### PUBLIC NOTICE

IN ACCORDANCE WITH UTAH STATE LAW, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SOUTH UTAH VAL-LEY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT (SUVSWD) WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 2024 TO JUNE 2025 ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024, AT 5:00 PM. THE BUDGET INCLUDES PROPOSED FEE INCREASES. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PER-SON AT THE SOUTH UTAH VALLEY DISTRICT (DRY CREEK TRANSFER STATION) NEXA ADMIN BUILDING, 518 W. 3450 N. SPANISH FORK, UTAH, VIA ZOOM MEETING <https://zoom.us/j/6706808828> MEET-ING ID: 670 680 8828 OR DIAL BY PHONE 1-669-900-6833. A COPY OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET IS AVAIL-ABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW FROM 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM, MONDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

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**SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION**  
IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DIS-TRICT COURT IN AND FOR MIL-LARD COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH  
*IN THE MATTER OF THE TERMINA-TION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND ADOPTION OF: A.K.C., born 07/29/13; A Minor Child.*  
Case No. 242700001 AD  
Honorable Anthony Howell

**NOTICE OF FILING**  
Notice is hereby given to Tyler Cle-ment, that Petitioners', Ashley Renee Lambeth and Kaden Keith Lambeth, have filed a Summons and Verified Petition for Termination of Parental Rights and Step-Parent Adoption in the Fourth Judicial District Court, in and for Millard County, State of Utah, specifically, Case No. 242700001. Tyler Clement, an Order terminating your parental rights is proposed, and you have the right to protest or contest these proceedings, and to be represented by counsel of your own choosing. You can request a copy of said Petition with the above-entitled Court.

THE STATE OF UTAH TO THE RESPONDENT:

Tyler Clement, you are hereby sum-moned and required to file an answer, in writing, to the Verified Petition for Termination of Parental Rights and Step-Parent Adoption which has been filed with the above-referenced Court. Said answer must be served upon this Court and sent to Attorney for Petition-ers' James M. Park, THE PARK FIRM, P.C., which can be emailed to [Parkfirm@gmail.com](mailto:Parkfirm@gmail.com) and/or mailed to at 141 North Main, Suite 200, Cedar City, Utah 84720. Said answer must be served within TWENTY-ONE (21) DAYS of the last date of publication on June 1st, 2024. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Verified Petition for Termination of Parental Rights and Step-Parent Adoption which has been filed with the Clerk of said Court.

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A “for sale” sign is posted in front of a home in Sacramento, Calif., on March 3, 2022.

# Mortgage rates remain a hurdle

More homes are on the market than a year ago

BY ALEX VEIGA  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Mortgage rates have been mostly ticking higher lately, but it’s not all bad news for home shoppers.

Homebuyers have a wider selection of homes to choose from now than they had at this time last year, a trend that could help lead to more sales in a market still constrained by a thin inventory of properties.

In the first four months of this year, active listings — a tally that encompasses all homes on the market except those pending a finalized sale — were the highest since 2020, according to Realtor.com.

The most recent monthly snapshot showed 734,318 homes on the market in April. That’s 30.4% up from the

same month last year. New listings, meanwhile, jumped 12.2%.

Some of the increase is seasonal, with more homes typically going on the market just before and during the spring homebuying season.

The pickup in inventory is good news for the housing market, which has been in a slump for two years, partly due to a shortage of homes for sale.

However, the inventory of available homes remains well below the pre-pandemic era. In April 2019 there were roughly 1.1 million homes on the market, or over 400,000 more than last month.

Many factors have contributed to this chronic shortage of homes for sale, including more than a decade of below-average new home construction and demographic trends that have led to homeowners hanging on to their properties longer. The large gap between current mortgage rates and where they were just a couple of

years ago has also discouraged many homeowners who locked in rock-bottom rates then from selling.

While home shoppers have more listings to choose from, high mortgage rates remain a hurdle for many.

After climbing to a 23-year high of 7.79% in October, the average rate on a 30-year mortgage stayed below 7% this year until last month, according to Freddie Mac. The average rate has been hovering slightly above that threshold since. When mortgage rates rise, they can add hundreds of dollars a month in costs for borrowers, limiting how much homebuyers can afford.

“If mortgage rates remain elevated over the next few months, the housing market may see a return to the holding pattern of scarce inventory, as we’ve seen over the past few years,” Realtor.com economists wrote in a recent report. “For buyers, that could mean fewer opportunities for finding their ideal home as summer approaches.”

# Mortgage rates dip to just below 7%

BY ALEX VEIGA  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The average rate on a 30-year mortgage dipped this week to just below 7% for the first time since mid April, a modest boost for home shoppers navigating a housing market dampened by rising prices and relatively few available properties.

The rate fell to 6.94% from 7.02% last week, mortgage buyer Freddie Mac said Thursday. A year ago, the rate averaged 6.57%.

This is the third straight weekly decline in the average rate. The recent pullbacks follow a five-week string of increases that pushed the average rate to its highest level since November 30. Higher mortgage rates can add hundreds of dollars a month in costs for borrowers, limiting homebuyers’ purchasing options.

Borrowing costs on 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, popular with homeowners refinancing their home loans, also declined this week, trimming the average rate to 6.24% from 6.28% last week. A year ago, it averaged 5.97%, Freddie Mac said.

Mortgage rates are influenced by several factors, including how the bond market reacts to the Federal Reserve’s interest rate policy and the moves in the 10-year Treasury yield, which lenders use as a guide to pricing home loans.

Treasury yields have



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A “for sale” sign is displayed in front of a home in Skokie, Ill., on April 14.

largely been easing since Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell said earlier this month that the central bank remains closer to cutting its main interest rate than hiking it.

Still, the Fed has maintained it doesn’t plan to cut interest rates until it has greater confidence that price increases are slowing sustainably to its 2% target.

Until then, mortgage rates are unlikely to ease significantly, economists say.

After climbing to a 23-year high of 7.79% in October, the average rate on a 30-year mortgage stayed below 7% this year until last month. Even with the recent declines, the rate remains well above where it was just two years ago at 5.25%.

Last month’s rise in rates were an unwelcome development for prospective homebuyers in the midst of what’s traditionally the busiest time of the year for home sales. On average, more than one-third of all homes sold in a given year are purchased between March and June.

Sales of previously occupied U.S. homes fell in March and April as home shoppers contended with rising mort-

gage rates and prices.

This month’s pullback in mortgage rates has spurred a pickup in home loan applications, which rose last week by 1.9% from a week earlier, according to the Mortgage Bankers Association.

“May has been a better month for the mortgage market, with the last three weeks showing declining mortgage rates and increasing applications,” said MBA CEO Bob Broeksmit. “Rates below 7% are good news for prospective buyers, and MBA expects them to continue to inch lower this summer.”



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Are you concerned about the quality of your drinking water? Reverse osmosis might be the solution you need.

# Clean water with reverse osmosis: Say goodbye to contaminants

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Do you worry about the quality of your drinking water? Clean water with reverse osmosis (RO) can give you peace of mind by providing pure and safe water for your family. With RO, you’ll never worry about harmful substances like lead, chemicals, or bacteria in your water again. RO systems use pressure to push water through a special filter with tiny holes that only let clean water molecules pass through, leaving contaminants behind. This means your drinking water will be free from harmful elements like arsenic, viruses, chlorine, salt, and dirt. With RO, you can enjoy fresh, clean water every day, ensuring the health and safety of your loved ones. Below, we’ll go over the benefits and the disadvantages of RO.



- contaminants.
- **Water Waste:** The process produces a significant amount of wastewater. For every gallon of clean water, several gallons of wastewater is produced.
  - **Cost:** RO systems can be more expensive to install and maintain than other filtration systems.
  - **Slow Process:** It takes time to produce purified water, so you may need a storage tank to ensure you have enough clean water on hand.

## How clean is reverse osmosis water?

Reverse osmosis water is extremely clean, removing up to 99% of contaminants. This makes it one of the best options for ensuring your drinking water is free from harmful substances. It’s beneficial in areas where water quality is poor, or contaminants are a significant concern.

## What is the healthiest water to drink?

The healthiest water is clean, free from harmful contaminants, and contains beneficial minerals. Reverse osmosis water is very clean, but since it lacks minerals, some people prefer to drink mineral water or use a remineralization filter with their RO system to add back essential minerals.

## What cannot be filtered by reverse osmosis?

While RO systems are highly effective, they could be better. Certain chemicals, like some pesticides, solvents, and volatile organic compounds, may not be removed entirely. Microscopic viruses or bacteria could pass through, though this is rare. To address these limitations, it’s essential to use a multi-stage filtration system.

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## What is reverse osmosis in simple terms?

In simple terms, reverse osmosis is like a super-fine filter that removes all the bad stuff from your water. Imagine a coffee filter, but much smaller and capable of catching even the tiniest particles. This process ensures that the water you drink is as pure as possible.

## Is it healthy to drink reverse osmosis water?

Drinking reverse osmosis water is generally healthy because it removes harmful contaminants. However, one drawback is that it removes beneficial minerals like calcium and magnesium. These minerals are important for your overall health, so some people add mineral drops to their RO water or use a remineralization filter.

## Is reverse osmosis better than filtered water?

Reverse osmosis is more thorough than other types of water filters, such as carbon filters, because it removes a broader range of contaminants. While carbon filters are good at removing chlorine and improving taste, they don’t remove as many impurities as RO systems. If you want the purest water possible, reverse osmosis is often better.

## What are the disadvantages of reverse osmosis?

While reverse osmosis offers many benefits, it does have some disadvantages. Here are a few:

- **Mineral Removal:** As mentioned, RO systems remove beneficial minerals and



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REVEREND GORMAN, YOU'RE A SHY AND QUIET PERSON, BUT DURING YOUR SERMON, YOU'RE ALL FIRE AND BRIMSTONE

...THAT'S MY ALTAR EGO...

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BIG NATE

OKAY, GANG... "WIN" ON THREE!

WAIT.

IS IT REALLY IMPORTANT TO WIN? WHY IS BEATING THE TEACHERS SUCH A BIG DEAL?

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ISN'T THE EXPERIENCE WHAT REALLY MATTERS? SHOULDN'T WE EMBRACE THE PROCESS AND NOT THE RESULT?

ON THREE, LET'S SAY "HAVE FUN AND RESPECT YOUR OPPONENT"!

LIAM, YOU'RE IN FOR FRANCIS.

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ZITS

AAAAAUGH!

DAD? ARE YOU OKAY?

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TWEAKED MY BACK! I SHOULD ALWAYS STRETCH FIRST.

ALL YOU DID WAS STIR YOUR COFFEE.

MIDDLE AGE IS COMING FOR YOU TOO, BUDDY.

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HI & LOIS

IS DITTO HERE?

HE LIVES NEXT DOOR.

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ARE YOU THE INFAMOUS "NEXT-DOOR NEIGHBOR"?

WHAT'VE YOU HEARD?

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DUSTIN

THANKS FOR THE ROUND OF GOLF, SON. IT FEELS GOOD TO BE ON A COURSE AGAIN.

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME.

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MY GOAL HAS ALWAYS BEEN TO SHOOT MY AGE-- IF THAT'S POSSIBLE.

OF COURSE IT IS, DAD...

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PROVIDED YOU CAN STILL SWING A CLUB WHEN YOU'RE 112.

SALLY FORTH

SO MY STUDY GROUP MEETS NEXT WEEK TO--

KEEFE

I FINALLY FIGURED OUT "THE BURGER OF SUMMER"!!!

ACTUALLY, DAD LOOKS LIKE HE BARELY FIGURED OUT FIREWORKS.

I'LL GET THE BACTINE.

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THE BARN

YOUR EYES WERE CLOSED AGAIN!

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NOW, THIS TIME LET ME SEE THOSE PEEPERS!

I'VE GOT ALL DAY AND NOWHERE TO BE.

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ANDY CAPP

I'M THINKING ABOUT JOINING THE ARMY, CHALKIE

GOOD FOR YOU, LAD. DID YOU KNOW ANDY AND I WERE IN THE ARMY YEARS AGO?

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REALLY? DID YOU SEE ANY FIGHTING?

LOADS

I SAW ANDY FIGHTING THE LIEUTENANT, THE CORPORAL, THE SERGEANT...

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DOONESBURY

OH NO... I SEEM TO HAVE GOTTEN A CABLE.

WHAT? WHY? YOU LITTLE...

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UNH... UNH...!

CAMP APPLES

NO PROBLEM, ALEX, HONEY!

UM... YOU SURE?

POSITIVE! BOY, THAT ANGER MANAGEMENT CLASS REALLY PAID OFF!

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SHERMAN'S LAGOON

OH, GREAT KAHUNA. COOLEST ROCK OF ALL TIME...

YES?

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WE HUMBLY REQUEST THAT YOU TURN US INTO HUMANS SO WE CAN TRY THAT NEW BURGER PLACE ON THE BEACH.

POOF! POOF!

WHO! THAT WAS FAST.

I HEARD HIM YELL, 'BRING BACK FRIES!'

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MALLARD FILLMORE

ACTUALLY, WITH THE CURRENT STATE OF THE AIRLINE INDUSTRY, YOUR FEAR OF FLYING ISN'T SO IRRATIONAL ANYMORE.

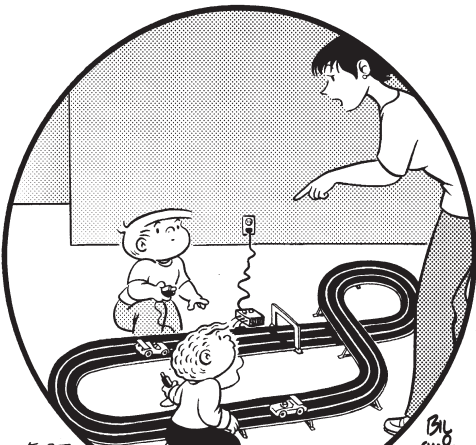
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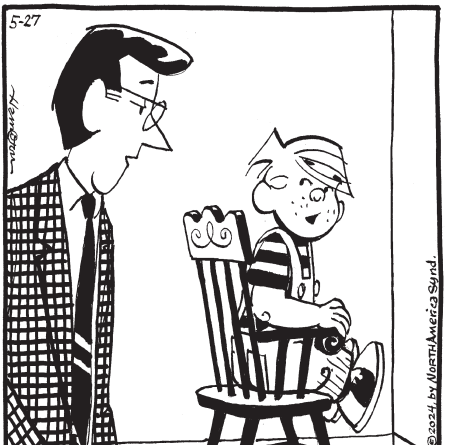


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“Gentlemen, stop your engines.  
Dinner’s ready.”

Bill Keane  
JEFF KEANE

DENNIS THE MENACE



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“WHY DID MOM  
PUT YOU HERE?”

“SHE DOESN’T KNOW YET,  
I TURNED MYSELF IN.”

SPEED BUMP



YOU PROBABLY DON’T NEED TO  
WRITE “SORRY FOR THE DELAYED  
REPLY” EVERY TIME, NATAGHA.

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FREE RANGE



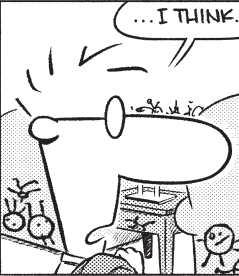
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“I’M WITH  
THE IRS.  
HAVE YOU  
GOT A FEW  
MINUTES?”


BABY BLUES



I’M HOME!




...I THINK.




IT STARTED OUT  
AS A FINGER  
PAINTING.

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE




WHAT  
DO YOU  
HAVE  
THERE,  
GOAT?

MY PLAN FOR THE DAY...  
“BUILD DECK, LEARN MORE  
FRENCH COOKING, FINISH  
HISTORY OF ART BOOK,  
WRITE SHORT STORY.”

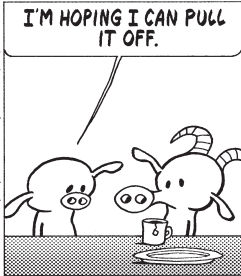


I DO THOSE  
DAILY LISTS,  
TOO.

LET’S  
SEE.




Just get  
through  
today.




I’M HOPING I CAN PULL  
IT OFF.

BLONDIE



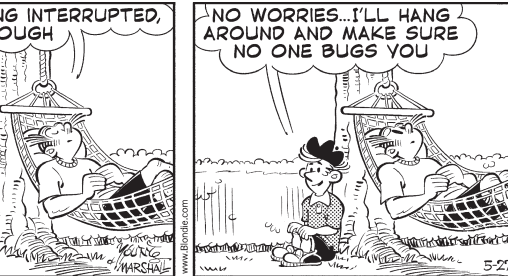
VO, MR. B! IT LOOKS LIKE  
YOU’RE TAKING A LITTLE NAP  
IN YOUR  
HAMMOCK

I’M TRYING  
TO ELMO




I KEEP GETTING INTERRUPTED,  
THOUGH

OH,  
I GET  
IT!

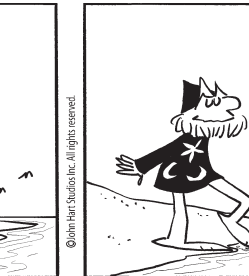


NO WORRIES...I’LL HANG  
AROUND AND MAKE SURE  
NO ONE BUGS YOU

WIZARD OF ID



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DIP



WARM ENOUGH FOR THE  
BEACH... NOT ENOUGH FOR  
SWIMMING, THOUGH

LUANN



WATCHING SHANNON, HUH?

TRYING. I HAVE A  
PAPER TO FINISH

WANNA  
PLAY  
WITH  
ME?



NO

PLEEEEEEZZZZ,  
AUNTIE BERNIE?

AUNTIE  
BERNIE?




C’MON!  
I’LL GET MY  
LIGHTSABER,  
AND WE  
CAN PLAY  
“STAR WARS”

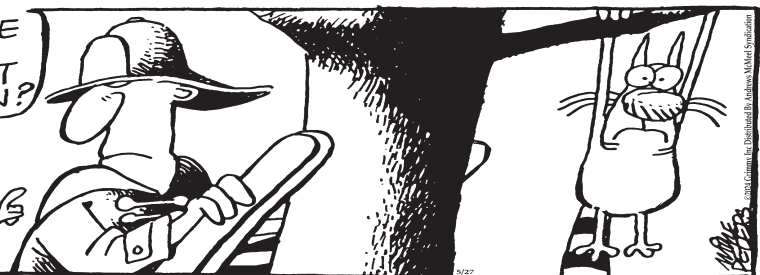
OH, JOY

THANKS,  
BERNIE

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM



WHILE YOU’RE  
UP THERE,  
COULD YOU GET  
MY KITE DOWN?



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BIG NATE



GAME TIME, GANG!  
LET’S TAKE CARE OF  
BUSINESS OUT  
THERE!



WHAT KIND OF  
BUSINESS, YOU ASK?  
THE BUSINESS OF  
SHOWING THESE  
TEACHERS WHO’S  
BOSS!



GET ‘EM DOWN AND  
KEEP ‘EM DOWN!  
DOMINATE THEM!  
STOMP ON THEIR  
THROATS! ANY  
QUESTIONS?



WHAT’S THE  
POST-GAME  
SNACK  
OUTLOOK?

CHAD  
FOCUS.

ZITS



MOMP  
ARE YOU  
OKAY?

I THINK I’M  
GETTING A  
COLD.



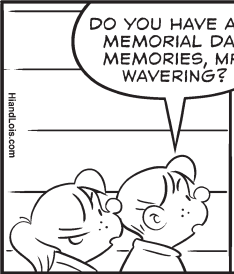
OH NO!



BUT I’LL  
STILL MAKE  
DINNER.


DON’T  
SCARE  
ME LIKE  
THAT!!

HI & LOIS

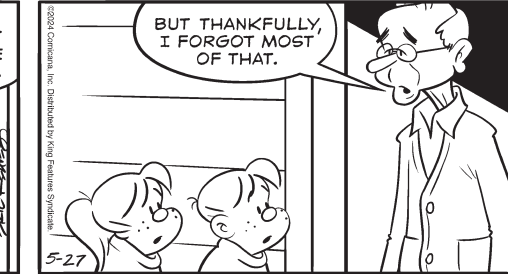


DO YOU HAVE ANY  
MEMORIAL DAY  
MEMORIES, MR.  
WAVERING?

I DID  
FIGHT IN THE  
WAR...



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BUT THANKFULLY,  
I FORGOT MOST  
OF THAT.

MUTTS



HEY

SHPARKY!  
WHERE ARE  
YOU  
GOING?



ANYWHERE!

DUSTIN



HEY, THAT  
LIZARD IS  
LOOKING  
AT ME.

YEAH,  
THAT’S KINDA  
CREEPY.




HAI! I HAVE A  
LIZARD FRIEND!  
THIS IS PRETTY  
RARE.




USUALLY  
THEY JUST  
LIE IN THE  
SUN  
ALL DAY AND  
NAP.

MAYBE HE  
RECOGNIZES  
A KINDRED  
SPIRIT.


B.C.




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FOONK



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WAS THAT  
A HOLE-IN-  
ONE?

SALLY FORTH



HAPPY  
UNOFFICIAL  
START OF  
SUMMER!

FINALLY!




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I CAN’T  
STAND THIS  
HEAT.

WE ARE MAKING  
IT THROUGH AT  
LEAST  
ONE GLASS OF  
LEMONADE.

DADDY’S HOME




DAD,  
CHECK  
OUT THIS  
OSCAR  
MAYER  
AD.

I CAN’T  
RIGHT NOW.  
I’M IN THE  
MIDDLE OF  
THIS  
PARAGRAPH.




I’M  
HOPING  
THIS  
INSPIRES  
YOU...

HOW IS  
THAT  
SUPPOSED  
TO INSPIRE  
ME?




YOU  
DIDN’T  
LET  
ME  
FINISH.

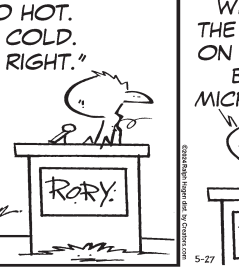


I’M HOPING IT  
INSPIRES YOU TO  
MAKE ME A  
SANDWICH.


THE BARN



“TOO HOT.  
TOO COLD.  
JUST RIGHT.”



WHAT ARE  
THE SETTINGS  
ON THE THREE  
BEARS’  
MICROWAVE?



SHOW  
HIM WHAT  
HE’S WON,  
STAN!

FLO & FRIENDS

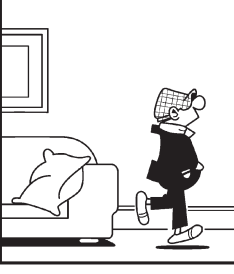


“IN THE END, WE WILL REMEMBER  
NOT THE WORDS OF OUR ENEMIES,  
BUT THE SILENCE OF OUR FRIENDS.”  
—MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.




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ANDY CAPP

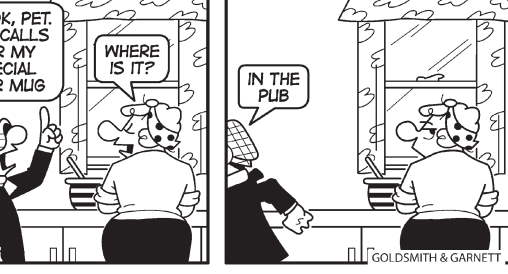


ANDY, MY MUM,  
SISTER AND  
THE VICAR ARE  
COMING OVER  
SHORTLY



OH, OK, PET.  
THIS CALLS  
FOR MY  
SPECIAL  
BEER MUG

WHERE  
IS IT?



IN THE  
PUB

SHERMAN’S LAGOON



HAWTHORNE, KAHUNA  
MADE YOU A HUMAN, TOO?

YEP, I WANNA  
TRY THIS FAMOUS  
BURGER AS WELL.



THERE’S THE  
WAITING LINE.

LET’S  
JUMP  
IN.



EVERYONE JUST ACT  
NORMAL... FOLLOW MY  
LEAD.


GOT IT.



MOVE THIS LINE, OR  
I START PINCHING.  
FOLLOW  
ANOTHER  
LEAD.


GOT IT.

DOONESBURY




GOT THIS YEAR’S DAILY  
SCHEDULE, ALEX, IF YOU’D  
LIKE TO SHARE IT WITH  
YOUR FATHER...


CAMP



SURE! LET’S SEE—  
“2:00 P.M. – 3:30 A.M.:  
WORK ON COOL STUFF.”



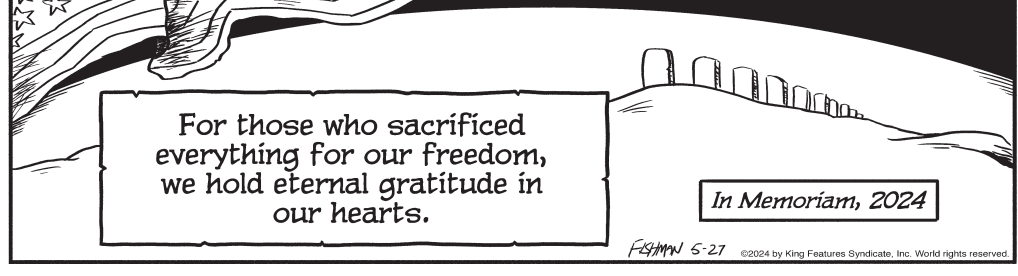
“4:00 A.M. –  
NOON:  
SLEEP.”



WOW! NOW  
THIS IS A  
SCHED-  
ULE!

FUNNY HOW  
KIDS CRAVE  
STRUCTURE.  
ISN’T IT?

MALLARD FILLMORE



For those who sacrificed  
everything for our freedom,  
we hold eternal gratitude in  
our hearts.

In Memoriam, 2024

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# Credit card debt piling up on the young

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Jenni Sohn

Consumers are increasingly struggling to pay their credit card bills, raising concerns about severe delinquencies spiraling and sapping consumer spending.

The share of credit card debt that's more than 90 days overdue rose to 10.7% during the first quarter, a 14-year high, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's report on first-quarter household debt.

The first-quarter jump in severe delinquencies was the biggest since 2011. Meanwhile total credit card debt rose to \$1.12 trillion from just under \$1 trillion a year ago.

Those in their 20s and 30s are having the most difficulty paying their credit card bills. Those age groups typically have a mix of less earnings power and lower savings.

The Federal Reserve hiked its key



## Off The Charts

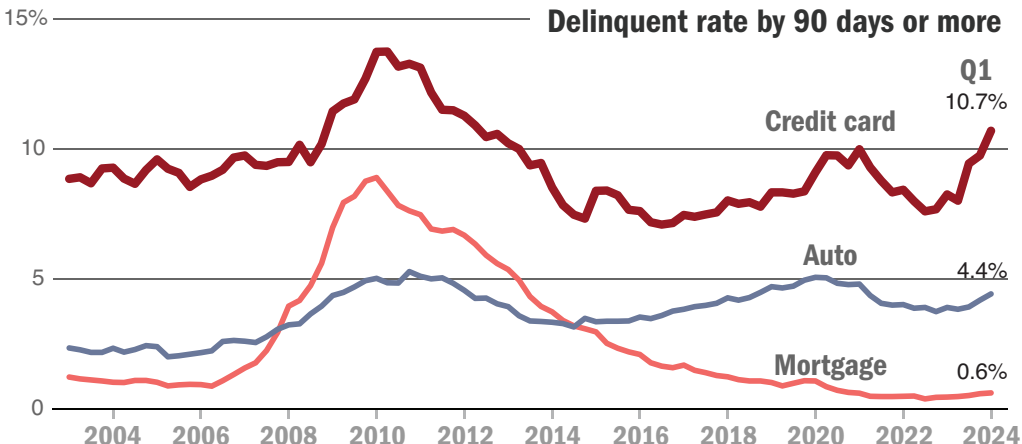
interest rate to a 23-year high to combat four-decade high inflation, which peaked in June, 2022 at 9.1%. Those rate increases made borrowing more expensive on mortgages, auto loans and credit cards.

"The combination of subdued job growth, sluggish income progression, and diminished savings could lead to increased delinquencies and a potential retrenchment in consumer spending," said Gregory Daco, EY chief economist.

Credit cards only make up about 6.5% of consumer debt, according to a Bank of America Global Research report. That alleviates some concerns, but the increase in delinquencies seems to be outpacing income growth.

## Struggling to pay

Credit card users are having an increasingly tough time paying off their debt, with one in 10 accounts delinquent by more than 90 days, the most since 2012.



Sources: Federal Reserve Bank of New York

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## Stocks of Local Interest

COMPANY	TICKER	LOW	52-WK RANGE	FRIDAY CLOSE	\$CHG 1WK	%CHG 1WK	MO	QTR	%CHG YTD	%RTN 1YR	PE	DIV	YLD
ASML Holding NV	ASML	564.00	1056.34	956.22	31.25	3.4	▲	▲	26.3	33.0	49	3.18e	0.3
AbbVie Inc	ABBV	130.96	182.89	157.06	-9.36	-5.6	▼	▼	1.3	14.3	47	5.92	3.8
Alphabet Inc C	GOOG	115.83	179.95	176.33	-0.96	-0.5	▲	▲	25.1	41.4	34	0.20p	...
Alphabet Inc A	GOOGL	115.35	178.77	174.99	-1.07	-0.6	▲	▲	25.3	41.1	34	0.20p	...
Amazon.com Inc	AMZN	113.78	191.70	180.75	-3.95	-2.1	▲	▲	19.0	59.2	62	...	...
Amer Elec Power	AEP	69.38	93.44	88.97	-3.70	-4.0	▲	▲	9.5	9.9	23	3.52f	4.0
Apple Inc	AAPL	164.08	199.62	189.98	0.11	0.1	▲	▲	-1.3	10.1	30	1.00f	0.5
Bank of America	BAC	24.96	39.84	39.70	0.41	1.0	▲	▲	17.9	43.6	14	0.96	2.4
Berkshire Hath B	BRK/B	317.71	430.00	407.41	-9.53	-2.3	▲	▼	14.2	25.8	55	...	...
Broadcom Inc	AVGO	674.12	1445.40	1407.84	12.55	0.9	▲	▲	26.1	108.1	cc	21.00f	1.5
Cardinal Health	CAH	80.90	116.04	96.39	-2.69	-2.7	▼	▼	-4.4	14.4	38	2.02f	2.1
Chevron Corp	CVX	139.62	171.70	157.75	-4.92	-3.0	▼	▲	5.8	7.5	15	6.52	4.1
Cleveland-Cliffs Inc	CLF	13.61	22.97	16.91	-0.60	-3.4	▼	▼	-17.2	15.3	23	...	...
Costco Wholesale	COST	476.75	808.05	809.73	13.92	1.7	▲	▲	22.7	66.9	76	4.64f	0.6
Dominion Energy	D	39.18	54.74	52.79	-0.11	-1.3	▲	▲	12.3	7.7	23	2.67	5.1
DuPont de Nemours	DD	61.14	80.46	81.12	1.21	1.5	▲	▲	5.4	19.3	87	1.52f	1.9
EQT Corp	EQT	32.07	45.23	40.15	-1.02	-2.5	▼	▲	3.9	15.2	29	0.63f	1.6
Eli Lilly	LLY	419.80	820.61	807.43	37.43	4.9	▲	▲	38.5	86.1	cc	5.20	0.6
Exxon Mobil Corp	XOM	95.77	123.75	113.91	-6.22	-5.2	▼	▲	13.4	13.6	14	3.80	3.4
FirstEnergy Corp	FE	32.18	40.65	38.97	-1.07	-2.7	▲	▲	6.3	9.6	22	1.70f	4.4
GE Aerospace	GE	79.52	170.80	167.33	7.44	4.7	▲	▲	64.4	93.5	55	1.12f	0.7
Halliburton	HAL	28.44	43.85	36.11	-1.79	-4.7	▼	▲	-0.1	22.5	12	0.68	1.9
Hess Corp	HES	124.27	167.75	151.39	-6.72	-4.3	▼	▲	5.0	15.0	34	1.75	1.2
Home Depot	HD	274.26	396.87	325.10	-19.11	-5.6	▼	▼	-6.2	16.7	19	9.00	2.8
JPMorgan Chase	JPM	134.40	205.88	200.71	-4.08	-2.0	▲	▲	18.0	46.8	12	4.60f	2.3
Johnson & Johnson	JNJ	143.13	175.97	146.97	-6.43	-4.2	▲	▼	-6.2	0.9	9	4.96f	3.4
Kroger Co	KR	42.10	58.34	52.99	-1.21	-2.2	▼	▲	15.9	10.2	36	1.16	2.2
Lowe's Cos	LOW	181.85	262.49	215.21	-15.90	-6.9	▼	▼	-3.3	11.0	21	4.40f	2.0
MasterCard Inc	MA	357.85	490.00	451.18	-9.09	-2.0	▼	▼	5.8	19.4	38	2.64f	0.6
Merck & Co	MRK	99.14	133.10	129.49	-1.70	-1.3	▼	—	18.8	17.1	cc	3.08f	2.4
Meta Platforms Inc	META	244.95	531.49	478.22	6.31	1.3	▲	▼	35.1	88.6	27	0.50p	...
Microsoft Corp	MSFT	309.45	433.60	430.16	9.95	2.4	▲	▲	14.4	35.0	42	3.00	0.7
Netflix Inc	NFLX	344.73	650.88	646.75	25.65	4.1	▲	▲	32.8	76.4	45	...	...
Nvidia Corporation	NVDA	298.06	1063.20	1064.69	139.90	15.1	▲	▲	115.0	204.6	cc	0.16	...
Oracle Corp	ORCL	97.29	132.77	122.91	-0.59	-0.5	▲	▲	16.6	24.0	51	1.60	1.3
Procter & Gamble	PG	141.45	168.54	165.33	-2.31	-1.4	▲	▲	12.8	15.1	27	4.03f	2.4
Range Resources	RRC	25.89	39.33	35.78	-2.00	-5.3	▼	▲	17.5	26.7	18	0.08	0.2
Tesla Inc	TSLA	138.80	299.29	179.24	1.78	1.0	▲	▼	-27.9	-4.6	46	...	...
Truist Financial Cp	TFC	26.57	40.51	38.40	-1.57	-3.9	▲	▲	4.0	34.0	...	2.08	5.4
Utd Bncp OH	UBCP	9.70	15.50	12.31	-0.08	-0.6	▼	▲	-4.1	14.8	8	0.70f	5.7
Utd Bankshares WV	UBSI	25.35	38.74	32.71	-2.31	-6.6	▼	▼	-12.9	15.9	12	1.48	4.5
UnitedHealth Group	UNH	436.38	554.70	508.17	-16.46	-3.1	▲	▼	-3.5	10.0	31	7.52f	1.5
Visa Inc	V	216.14	290.96	274.49	-5.61	-2.0	—	▼	5.4	20.0	31	2.08f	0.8
Walmart Strs	WMT	48.34	65.69	65.38	0.73	1.1	▲	▲	0.0	33.3	33	0.83	1.3
Wesbanco	WSBC	23.00	32.20	27.72	-1.39	-4.8	▲	▼	-11.6	24.3	12	1.44	5.2

## Company Spotlight

# Stacked deck

Shares of Deckers Outdoor eclipsed \$1,000 for the first time ever Friday after the maker of Ugg boots blew past Wall Street's fourth-quarter targets to close out a record-breaking year.

Deckers earned \$4.95 per share in the period, easily beating analyst projections of \$2.97 per-share profit. Quarterly sales of \$960 million also came in ahead of forecasts, propelling the California company to a record \$4.29 billion in annual sales.



Hoka shoes and sandals' 34% sales growth in the quarter led to revenue of \$533 million, more than half the company's total.

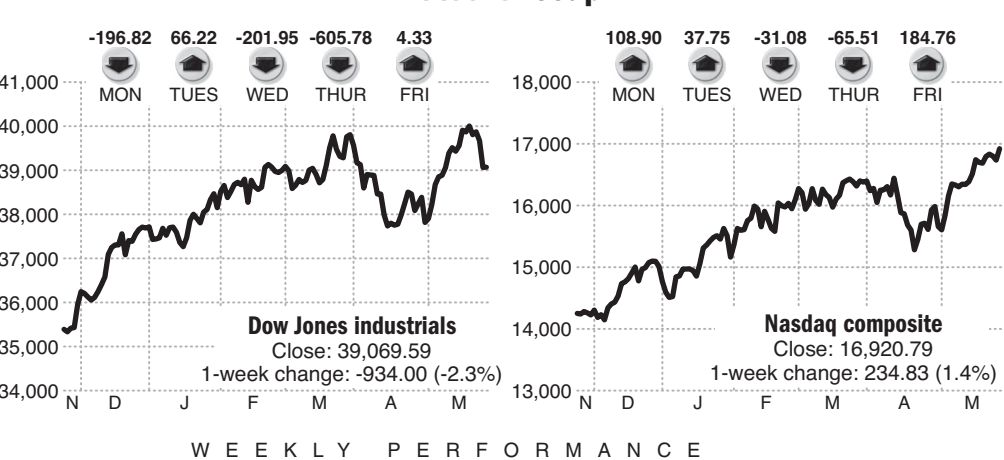
"Hoka and Ugg remain two of the most admired and well-positioned brands in the marketplace, each with a robust innovation product pipeline designed to win with global consumers," said CEO Dave Powers.

Deckers' full-year profit came in at \$29.16 per share, a more than 50% increase over 2023.

<b>Deckers Outdoor (DECK)</b>	Friday's close: <b>\$1,032.90, +128.25</b>	<b>Total return</b>	1-yr	3-yr	5-yr
<b>52-WEEK RANGE</b>	<b>Price-earnings ratio: 35</b>	<b>DECK</b>	<b>134.6%</b>	<b>45.6</b>	<b>46.4</b>
<b>\$424</b>	<b>\$1035</b>	(Based on past 12-month results)			
		<b>Market value:</b> \$26.5 billion			

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**Dividend Footnotes:** a - Extra dividends were paid, but are not included. b - Annual rate plus stock. c - Liquidating dividend. e - Amount declared or paid in last 12 months. f - Current annual rate, which was increased by most recent dividend announcement. i - Sum of dividends paid after stock split, no regular rate. j - Sum of dividends paid this year. Most recent dividend was omitted or deferred. k - Declared or paid this year, a cumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m - Current annual rate, which was decreased by most recent dividend announcement. p - Initial dividend, annual rate not known, yield not shown. r - Declared or paid in preceding 12 months plus stock dividend. t - Paid in stock, approximate cash value on ex-distribution date.  
**PE Footnotes:** q - Stock is a closed-end fund - no P/E ratio shown. cc - P/E exceeds 99. dd - Loss in last 12 months.

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	52-WEEK HIGH	52-WEEK LOW	INDEX	CLOSE	FRI CHG	WK CHG	WK %CHG	YTD %CHG	1YR %CHG
Dow Jones Industrials	40,077.40	32,327.20	Dow Industrials	39,069.59	4.33	-934.00	-2.33	3.66	18.06
Dow Jones Transportation	16,717.04	13,471.47	Dow Transportation	15,082.94	74.08	-418.49	-2.70	-5.13	8.48
Dow Jones Utilities	958.67	765.47	Dow Utilities	926.11	1.92	-25.31	-2.66	5.04	3.61
Nasdaq Composite	18,421.92	14,638.37	Nasdaq Composite	18,110.60	82.12	-277.66	-1.51	7.46	20.11
S&P 500	16,996.38	12,415.85	Nasdaq Composite	16,920.79	184.76	234.83	1.41	12.72	30.40
S&P SmallCap	5,341.88	4,103.78	S&P 500	5,304.72	36.88	1.45	.03	11.21	26.14
Wilshire 5000	1,353.65	1,065.49	S&P SmallCap	1,320.59	11.85	-18.10	-1.35	.18	15.19
Russell 2000	53,567.62	40,532.58	Wilshire 5000	53,188.12	381.80	-85.10	-1.16	10.13	28.36
	2,135.46	1,633.67	Russell 2000	2,069.67	21.26	-26.05	-1.24	2.10	16.73

# Wages outpacing prices

Americans' paychecks, on average, are still rising. But their growth rate recently fell below 4%, which could help cool inflation.

Average hourly wages rose 3.9% in April from a year earlier, according to the government. That surpassed inflation, which rose 3.4% on a yearly basis that month. After trailing inflation for nearly two years, average pay has outpaced prices for nearly a year.

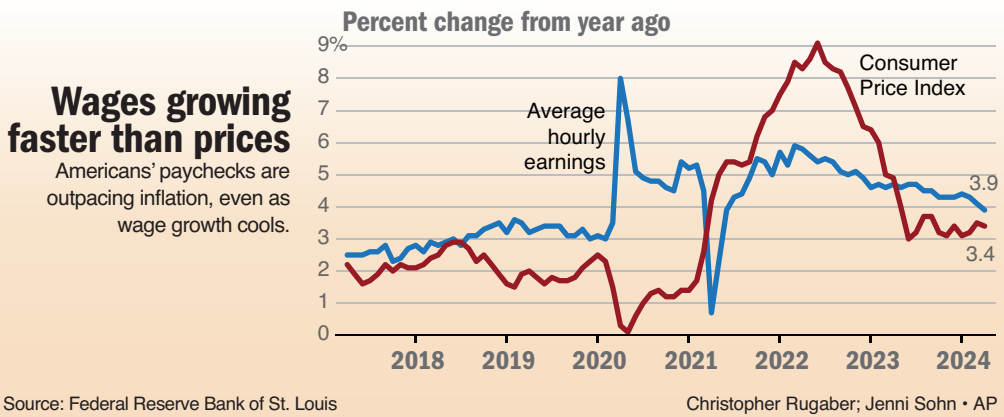
Both wages and prices are growing more slowly, though. Post-pandemic pay growth peaked at nearly 6% in March 2022. But prices spiked 8.5% that month from a year earlier, more than offsetting the



wage gain. Robust paycheck growth can worsen inflation if businesses raise prices to offset their higher labor costs — what's known as a "wage-price spiral." But with pay growth

cooling along with prices, such a scenario seems unlikely. Instead, milder wage gains remove a source of inflationary pressure in the economy. Annual pay growth of 3.9%, while still healthy, is closer to pre-pandemic levels.

As a result, more-moderate pay increases could help set the stage for the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates later this year.



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

Christopher Rugaber; Jenni Sohn • AP

# Wall Street wins back earlier losses

BY STAN CHOE  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks rose Friday in a bounce back from Wall Street's worst day since April.

The S&P 500 gained 36.88 points, or 0.7%, to 5,304.72 and won back all its losses from the prior two days. It eked out a tiny gain for the week, enough to extend its weekly winning streak to five, and is sitting just below its record set on Tuesday.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 4.33 points, or less than 0.1%, to 39,069.59, and the Nasdaq composite gained 184.76, or 1.1%, to 16,920.79 and topped its all-time high set earlier this week.

Deckers Outdoor jumped 14.2% for the biggest gain in

the S&P 500 after reporting stronger profit and revenue for the latest quarter than expected. The company behind the Hoka, Ugg and Teva brands also gave a forecast for revenue this upcoming fiscal year that was in line with analysts' expectations. Ross Stores also lifted the market after leaping 7.8%. The retailer reported better profit for the latest quarter than analysts expected. That was despite its revenue only edging past expectations, as customers continue to hold back on purchases of non-essentials.

CEO Barbara Rentler said several challenges, "including prolonged inflation, continue to squeeze our low-to-moderate income customers' purchasing power."

Even though data on the overall, or macro, economy has been showing continued strength for spending by U.S. households, the numbers underneath the surface may not be as encouraging.

"Walmart and Target are telling us that high income consumers are doing fine, but beginning to trade down," said Brian Jacobsen, chief economist at Annex Wealth Management. "The lower income consumer is struggling. Macro often focuses too much on the average and the average is skewed by the high-end household."

The market got a bit of a boost Friday from a report showing overall sentiment among U.S. consumers weakened by less in May than preliminary data had suggested.

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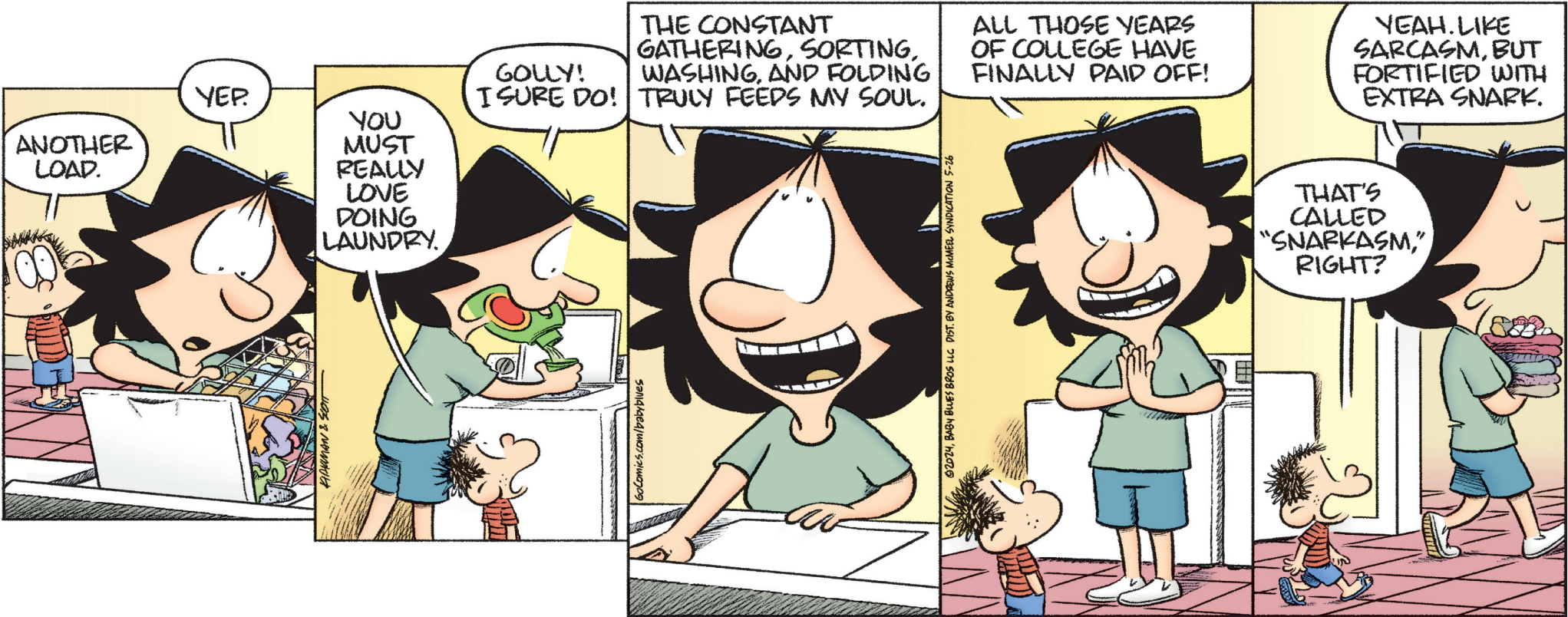
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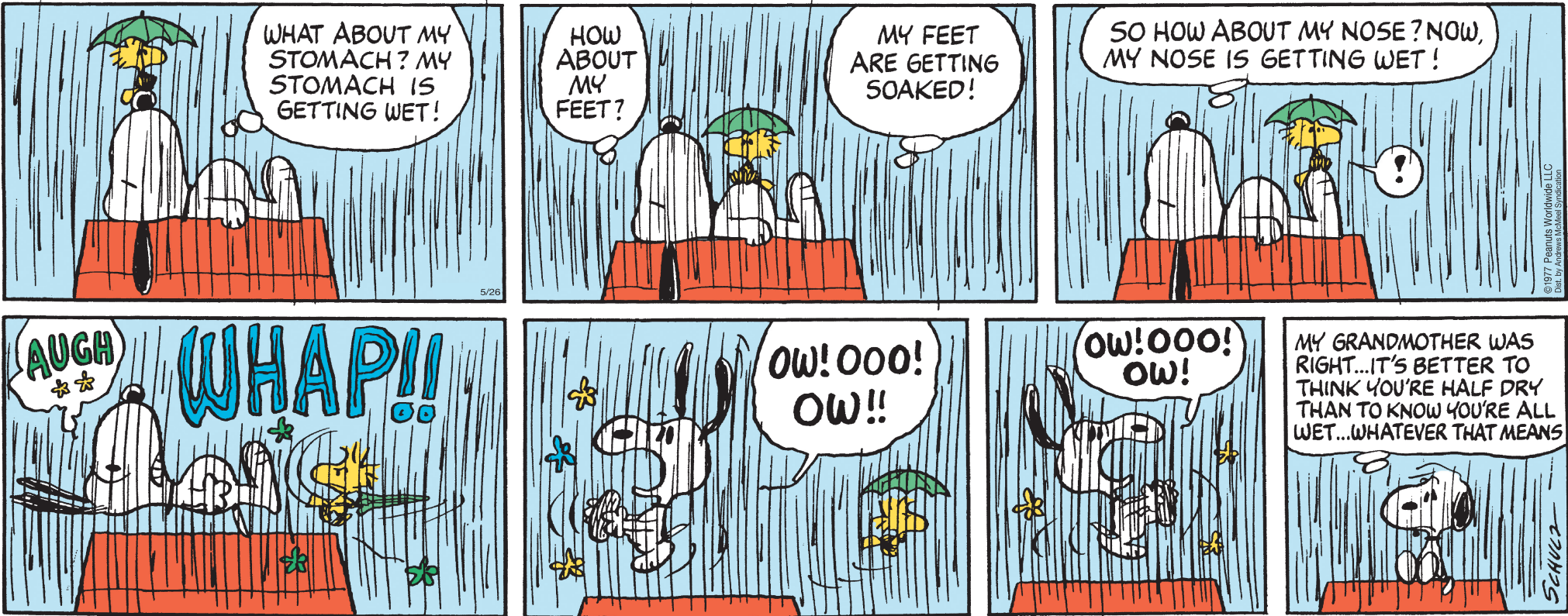
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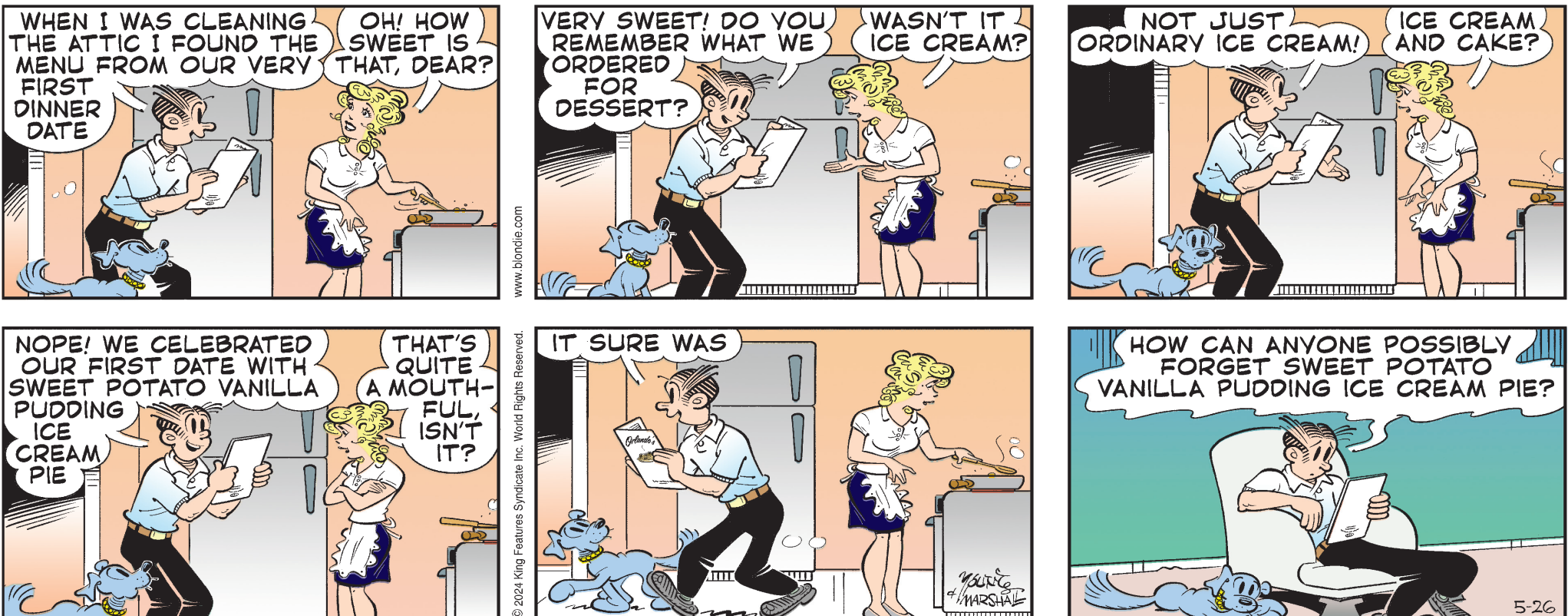
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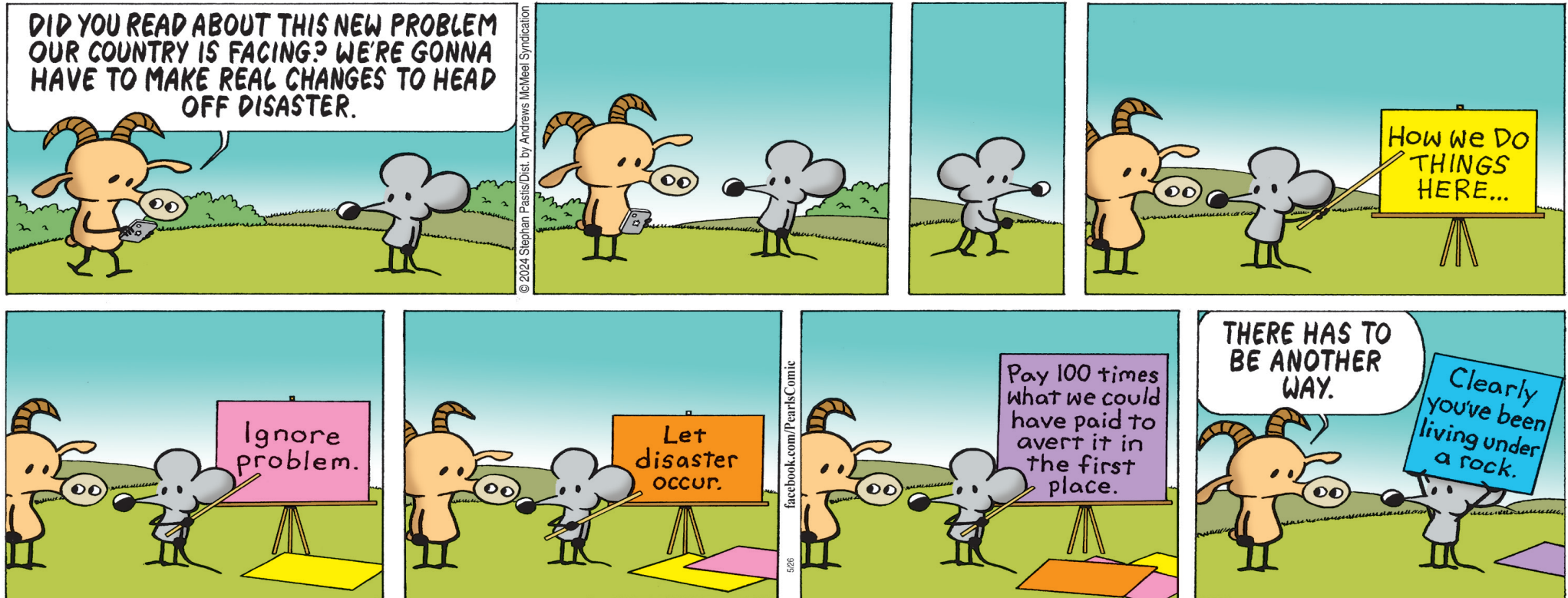
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OH! YOU'RE HOME!

HOW DID YOUR DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENT GO?

HE WANTS ME TO HAVE A STRESS TEST.

DID YOU SCHEDULE IT?

I DON'T THINK IT'S NECESSARY.

YOU'RE BACK!

I HAVE ONE LIVING RIGHT NEXT DOOR.

HEY, EARL, MEET MY PET SHNAIL "LITTLE EARL!"

WE'RE GOING FOR HIS WALK.

DOWN! BOY. DOWN!

HEEL! HEEL!!!

SIT, EARL, SIT!

HE'S SHTILL A PUPPY.

Mort Walker's

beetle bailey

MARTHA'S BUSY. GOOD TIME TO SLIP OUT

WITH WHOM?

MY STAFF

FOR WHAT?

STRATEGIC PLANNING

WHEN WILL YOU BE BACK?

IN A FEW HOURS

YOU'RE PROBABLY WONDERING WHY I CALLED YOU ALL HERE TONIGHT

NOT REALLY

YOU NEEDED AN EXCUSE TO GET OUT OF THE HOUSE

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UNNNNGH!

I AM A GENIUS!

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The FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

DADDY'S HOME FROM HIS TRIP!

SORRY, GUYS--I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO BRING YOU ANYTHING.

YES, YOU DID, DADDY! YOU BROUGHT US YOU!

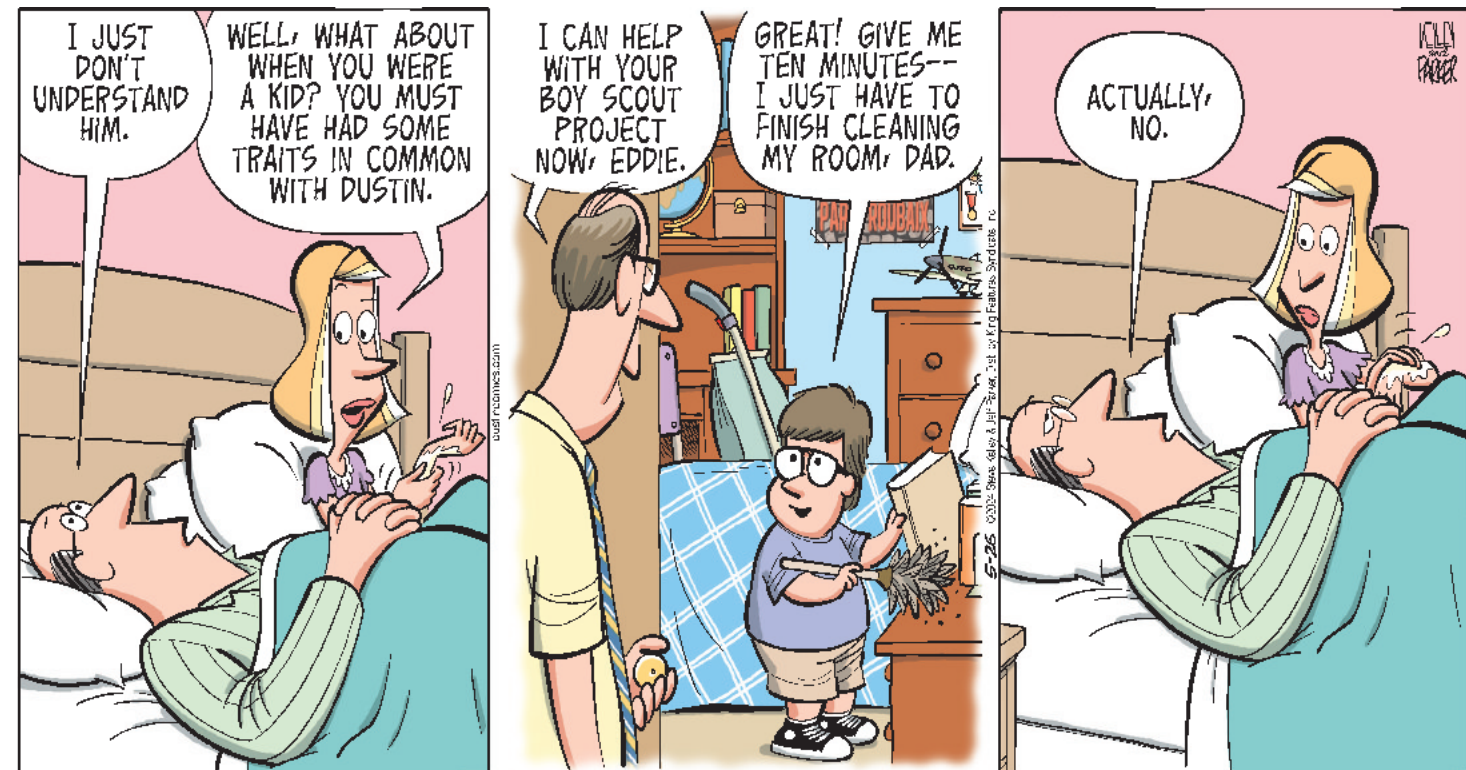
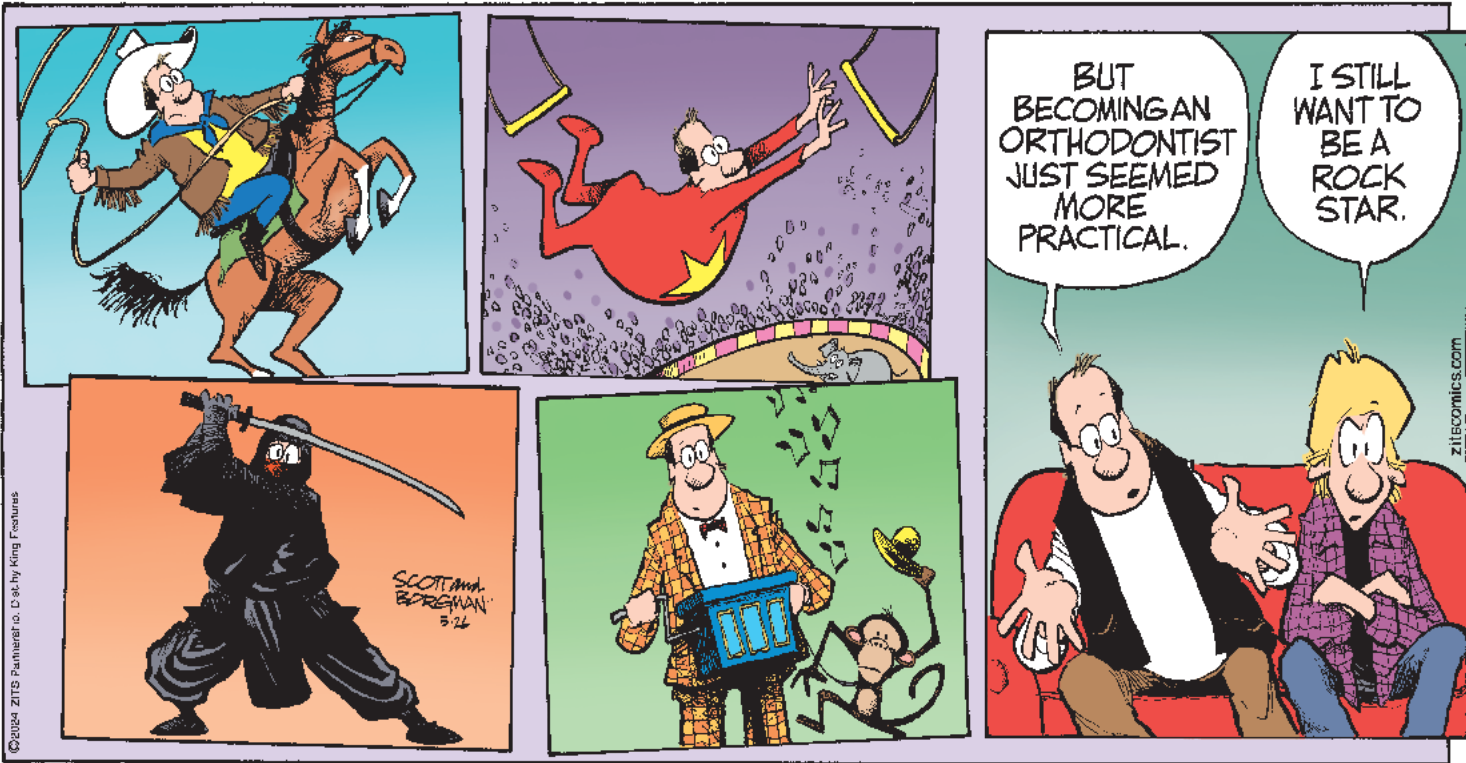
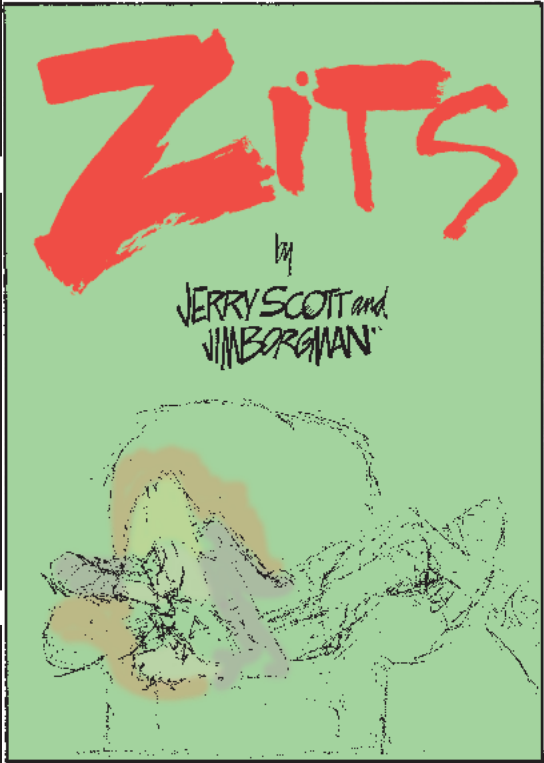
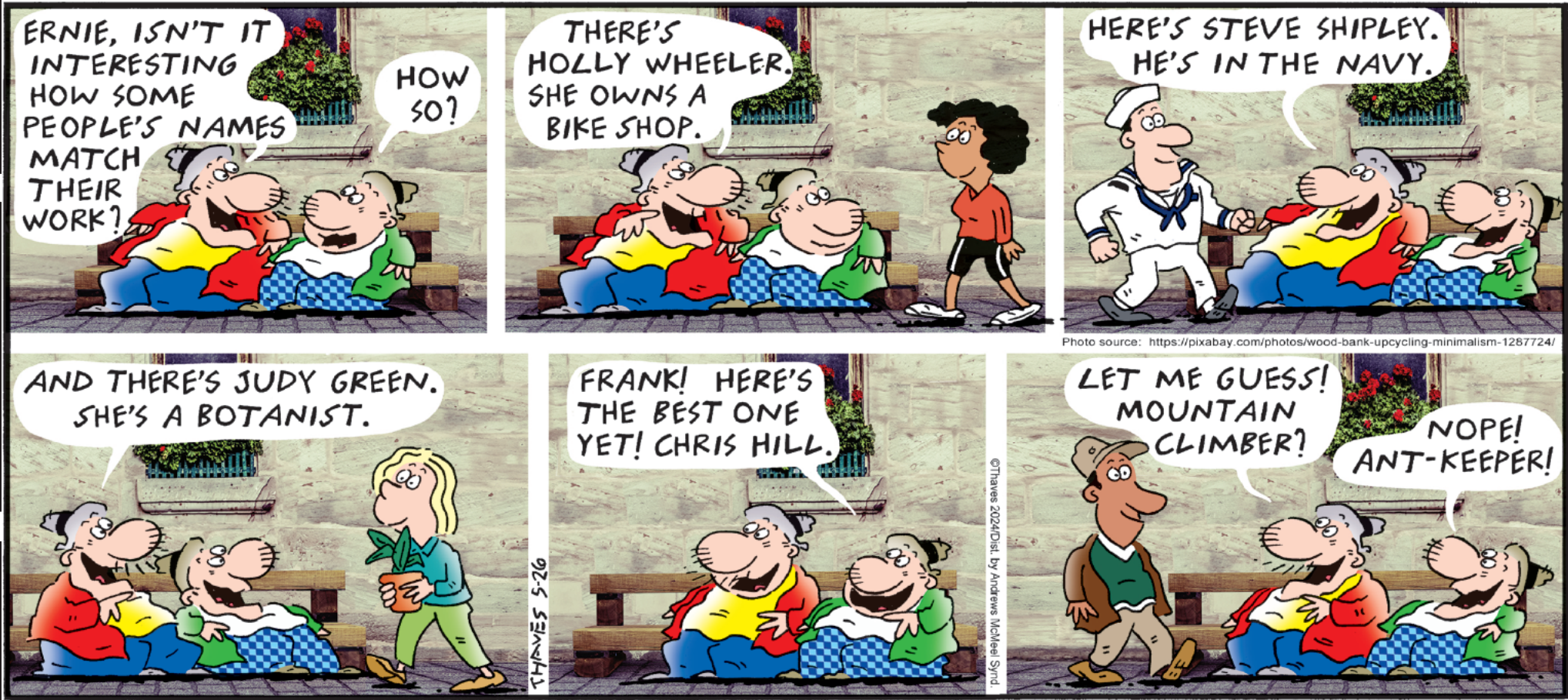
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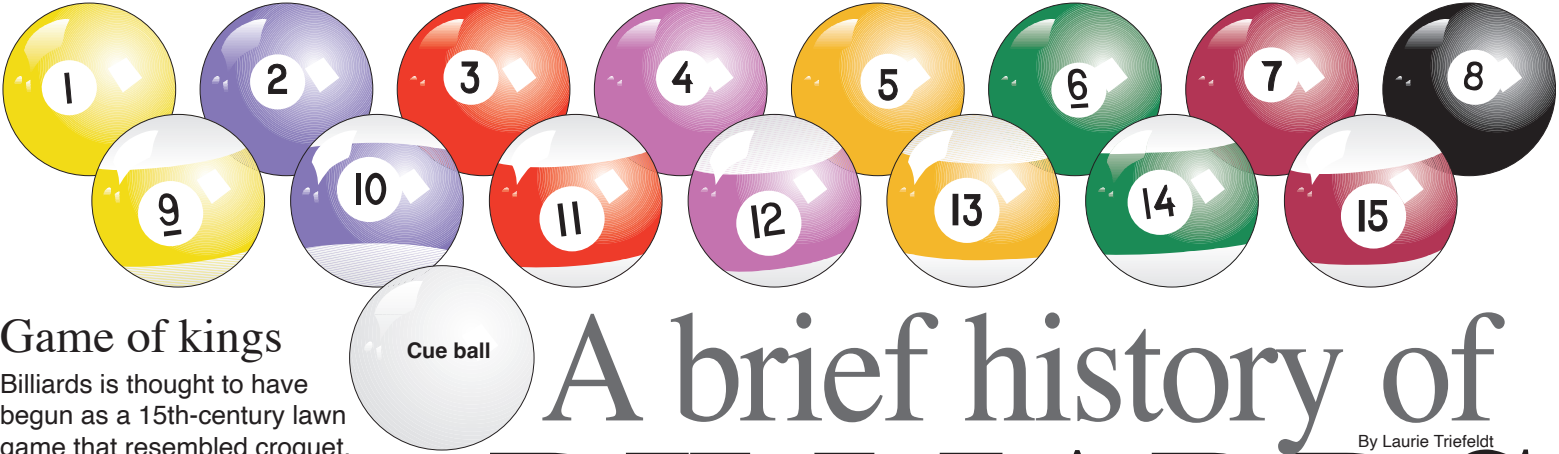
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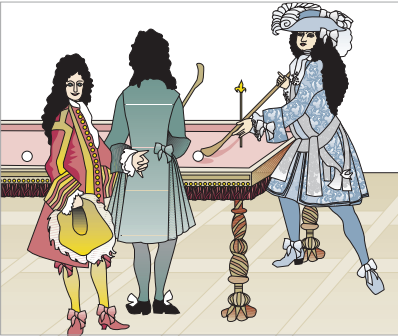
The **break** is the opening shot in a game of pool.



Game of kings

Billiards is thought to have begun as a 15th-century lawn game that resembled croquet. Historians disagree about where exactly it began — Persia, France and England have each claimed to be the first to play billiards. No one knows when the game was moved indoors or when it evolved into a tabletop game, but the first historical evidence of the tabletop version is from a 1470 inventory record of a billiard table that belonged to King Louis XI of France. It was said to have a hole in the middle.

Billiards became a popular game among royalty: Mary, Queen of Scots (1542–1587) and King Louis XIV (1638–1715) both played. But billiards was not just for the rich and famous. A reference to billiards in Shakespeare’s “Antony and Cleopatra” (Act II, scene v), “Let’s to billiards,” shows that many people were familiar with game.



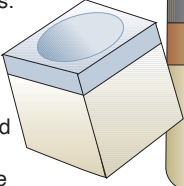
Louis XIV playing billiards. Note the wooden mace with the flattened, curved end. The cue stick evolved as players increasingly began using the mace’s narrow tip (the top end) to hit the balls.

Kinds of games

The most popular forms of billiards are **pool**, **snooker** and **carom billiards**. Pool is the game of choice in North America and is played with a cue ball and 15 object balls. Snooker, a popular billiards game in England, is played with a cue ball and 21 object balls. Pool and snooker are played on a table with six pockets. Carom billiards is played on a table without pockets. Three or four balls are used. Players try to stike, or carom, the cue ball off the object balls and the table’s raised sides in specified ways for points.

**Marquetry** is the art of making designs with thin slices of wood, shell or other materials. This method of decoration has long been in use to enhance the beauty of tables and cues.

During the 1800s, the chalk used on cue tips was **carbonate of lime**, also known as blackboard chalk. Most chalk used today is composed of fine abrasives, not chalk.



SOURCES: *World Book Encyclopedia*, World Book Inc.; <http://billiards.colostate.edu>; *Pocket Billiards: Fundamentals of Technique and Play*, Sterling Publishing; *The Complete Beginner’s Guide to Pool and Other BilliardGames*, Doubleday & Co.

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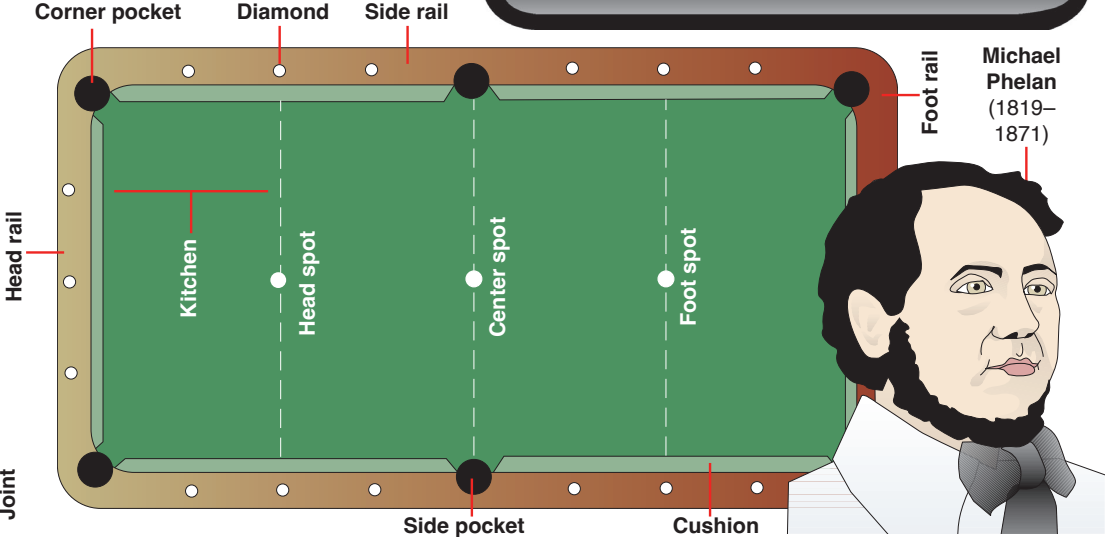
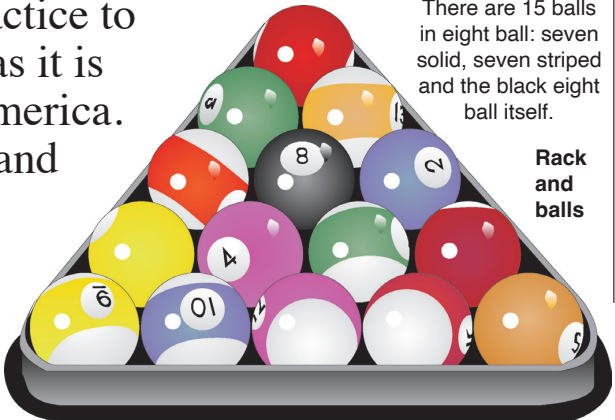
A brief history of  
BILLIARDS

By Laurie Triefeldt

It takes a great deal of practice to master billiards, or pool, as it is usually called in North America. Understanding geometry and angles is an advantage.

**Billiard tables** come in a variety of sizes, but all tables are twice as long as they are wide.

Charles Goodyear discovered vulcanized rubber in 1839. By 1845, it was being used for billiard table cushions (banks).



Michael Phelan (1819–1871)

The cue stick

The **cue** evolved from a wooden or metal stick called a **mace**. Leather tips were introduced between 1807 and 1823. Chalk was then used to increase the friction between the cue and the ball. Two-piece cues (easy-to-carry halves, which screw together into one long stick) went on the market around 1829.

The balls


When billiards was a lawn game, the balls were larger and made of stone. When the game moved indoors, the balls became smaller and were made of wood, then ivory. Ivory was very expensive, lost its round shape after heavy use and led to the slaughter of many elephants. Today’s balls are made of plastic or resin.

The table

Early billiard tables used walls to keep the balls from rolling off. Because they resembled riverbanks, the table walls were called **banks**. Players began to bounce the balls off the walls in what is called a “bank shot.” Early tables were made of wood, slate or marble covered in green wool. Wool (not felt) remains the fabric covering of choice.

Some characters, milestones and trivia of 19th- and 20th-century billiards

1859 — Michael Phelan and legendary billiard player Jim Seereiter played in Detroit for \$15,000. The contest lasted four days. Phelan won.



John Wesley Hyatt (1837–1920)

1865 — Louis Fox and John Deery competed in Detroit for \$1,000. Fox was distracted by a pesky fly and missed his shot. Deery won the match.

1869 — John Wesley Hyatt discovered celluloid, the first plastic. His early billiard balls made from this material tended to explode on impact.


1900 — The game of eight ball was invented.

1903 — First coin-operated billiard table patented. The cost of the game was one penny.

1897 — William A. Spinks was granted a patent for a billiard chalk that was gritty and greatly improved shot-making.


1909 — Johnny Kling (catcher for the Chicago Cubs) won the World Pocket Billiard Championship against Charles Weston.

1920s — Ralph Greenleaf won the world title six times and defended it 13 times. His dramatic flair helped increase the game’s popularity. The world’s largest billiard hall was built in Detroit.



Ralph Greenleaf (1899–1950)

1960s — Minnesota Fats is arguably the most recognized name in the history of billiards. He was a billiards showman and hustler whose original name was Rudolph Wanderone, but he officially changed it to Minnesota Fats after a character in the 1961 movie “The Hustler.”



Willie Mosconi (1913–1993)

2007 — Peter Gilchrist of England runs 1,346 balls in a New Zealand tournament.

2017 — Filipino Lee Vann Corteza wins the U.S. Open Straight Pool Championship.

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On Forgiveness

An earth sign trine and lunar squares offer variations on the theme of forgiveness. Some forgive and forget. Some forgive and remember. Some don't forgive but find other ways to offer grace. For instance, instead of granting pardons, they learn the essential nature of a person or dynamic, then open to accept it as fully as possible.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** The spaces are part of a shape. Arguably, the spaces are what make matter into a shape. The pauses are part of the music. The distance between hearts is partly what makes it love.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** You'll have moments when you feel truly acknowledged. Someone recognizes your talent. You'll be offered timely companionship and support, which reinforces that relationships are your great treasure.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** You'll be in stimulating environments and in a posi-

tion to choose your level of involvement. There is much to observe, but don't stop there. You'll see much more when you're in the mix of the action.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** You'll love the work of the day. Assignments and duties are opportunities. They give you the excuse you need to organize your ideas and present them to those who most need them.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** There are those who see people as either useful or not useful instead of seeing them as potential friends to get to know. Not you. Because of the special way you treat people, you will be among the ones you admire.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** There is more than one way to be the best version of yourself, and there are also multiple paths to creating the life you want. Avoid thinking in absolutes. Be willing to try different methods and walk new paths.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** You'll find beauty in diverse human connections and

cherish each unique perspective. Every conversation is an opportunity to learn and grow as a person. You'll magnetize people who can enrich your life by simply being themselves.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** In the quest for vitality, you sometimes get problems instead — items to return, so-called remedies that are more like ongoing experiments than solutions, and "helpers" who just don't. Even when it goes that way, the quest is still worthwhile. Forward!

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** You've an acute sense of your own direction. You know what's interesting to you, and when you follow your curiosity and land on something you want, you immediately figure out what it will take to make it happen.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** You don't speak to win. Winning hardly ever happens through speaking anyway; it happens through the feeling people have when they interact with you. You let your ears guide you instead of your mouth.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Few things match the fulfillment of feeling seen and understood. Who has done this for you? Which connections do you think you should celebrate or honor more? Which have shaped your past or could alter your future?

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Talk about what's bothering you. As you put words to it, you'll home in on the exact nature of the issue. Your description alone brings you closer to the answer. There's someone near who can help you solve your problem.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 26).** It's a year of love and invitations. You are many people's favorite person. It's partly the way you give support, and partly the way you take it. More highlights: You'll be bowing to applause. You'll make an investment so savvy many will copy you. You'll throw and attend wonderful events. Capricorn and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 8, 11, 2 and 22.

What’s in a name?

The word “billiards” is derived from one or two French words — **billiard**, a wooden stick, or **bille**, which means “ball.” The word “cue” is from the French word **queue**, which was the name for the handle of the **mace** (a long stick originally used to move the balls). Billiards is often referred to as **pool**. The word “pool” is from the word “poule,” which was French slang for “betting.”

A bad reputation

In the 15th century, the church viewed all recreational games, including billiards, as dangerous sins. Later, billiards became popular with noblemen, and few would question a king’s favorite pastime. Moral opposition to gaming resurfaced in Colonial New England, and billiards became associated with unsavory men who drank and gambled. By the 19th century, billiards was banned in many parts of the United States. The game was viewed so negatively that a billiard table installed in the White House in 1825 by President John Quincy Adams put his moral character in question and hurt his career. (A new table was reinstalled in the White House in 1869.)

Respectability

**Michael Phelan** is often called the father of American billiards. He was an expert pool player and a manufacturer of billiard tables. Phelan is credited with being the first to install ivory diamonds on table rails. Phelan opened an elegant billiard room in New York City, which helped change the negative perception of billiards. In 1850, he wrote “Billiards Without a Master,” which provided easy-to-follow instructions and diagrams on hundreds of billiard shots.