

Quarterly Issues/Programs List
 “Morning Edition and All Things Considered”
 (April, May, June 2023)

General

ME

Date/Time(s):	Length:	Segment:
4/11/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:47	ONE WORLD STRONG/Shenoy: A group of Boston Marathon bombing survivors offers trauma counseling to victims of other terrorist attacks.
4/12/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:35	ED DAVIS/Becker: Former Boston Police Commissioner Ed Davis looks back at the marathon bombing, and whether we're safer from terrorist attacks today.
4/14/23 5:51 & 7:51	7:45	MARATHON VOICES COG/Various: Three people's memories of the Boston Marathon bombings, and how they still try to make sense of that day.
4/14/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:00	OFFICER SIMMONDS/Becker 2-Way: We talk with the sister of Officer Dennis Simmonds who is officially listed as the fifth person killed in the Boston Marathon Bombings and manhunt.
4/28/23 7:45	4:15	FIREARM LICENSING/Guida 2-Way: How did accused classified document leaker Jack Teixeira obtain several guns in Massachusetts, after he was initially denied a license?
5/23/23 6:22 & 8:22	2:03	BIKE COMMUTING/Perdomo-Hernandez [This month, more commuters are turning to a peddle-powered mode of transportation...]
5/25/23 5:45 & 7:45	3:40	FOOD FOREST/Moran [There's a new forest in Mattapan - that you can eat...]
5/31/23 7:45	4:34	FOOD INSECURITY/D'Amato 2-way: A new report finds the number of people experiencing food insecurity continues to rise in Massachusetts
6/26/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:20	TEEN EMPOWERMENT/Shenoy: Young people begin a series of summer events to try to address gun violence in Boston.
6/29/23 6:39 & 8:39	3:45	COG: POPPI: A New England high-schooler's poem about helping care for his Grandfather with Alzheimer's, and trying to understand memory.

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4/10/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	7:50	MARATHON MEDICAL TEAM/Bebinger atc-m10a Medical tent volunteers reflect on being at the finish line tent 10 years ago and the bonds they've created since the bombings.

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4/11/23 5:35:35	3:35	king funeral/LARKIN ATC-T11B Bostonians and political leaders remember civil rights activist Mel King at his funeral in the South End.
4/13/23 4:50:00	7:30	MARATHON SURGEON/audio postcard ATC-R13A Dr David King reflects on running the 2013 marathon and immediately going to work as a surgeon to treat people injured in the marathon bombings.
4/14/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	8:15	MARATHON SURVIVORS/3-way ATC-F14A Jessica Kensky and Patrick Downes speak about the injuries they suffered in 2013 marathon bombings, their recovery and how their work as a nurse and psychologist have helped with their recovery.
4/18/23 5:50:00	8:30	MARATHON MANHUNT PROBLEMS/Sivertson ATC-T18A Endless Thread podcast team presents the story of how the Boston marathon bomber manhunt sparked a social media crowdsourced manhunt that targeted the wrong man, a Brown University student, and traumatized his family
6/12/23 5:20:35	5:31	Roger Payne Audio Postcard ATC-M12A (Plus :19 whale sound) Biologist Roger Payne recorded the haunting whale songs with his collaborators more than 50 years ago. Payne died at his home in Vermont on Saturday, at the age of 88. WBUR's Barbara Moran spoke with Payne last year and produced this audio postcard about his life's work.

Economic and Business

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Date/Time(s):	Length:	Segment:
5/9/23 6:23 & 8:23	5:45	COMP ELECTRIC 1/Wasser: Third party electricity suppliers promise lower rates to Massachusetts customers--but very few actually deliver.
5/10/23 6:21 & 8:21	5:27	GREEN POWER/Wasser If you live in Massachusetts - chances are you've been offered a chance to switch over to an energy plan that is 100 percent green. Turns out those offers aren't always what they appear to be.
5/22/23 5:34 & 7:34	2:20	TECH OUTLOOK/Amer: [Layoffs and high interest rates have hit the Boston tech sector -- but it's a more complex economic moment than it might seem:
6/5/23 6:49 & 8:50	4:55	MANUFACTURED HOUSING/Amer: A potential solution to Massachusetts' housing shortage--factory-built homes.
6/13/23 6:46 & 8:46	3:30	CRYPTO BIG COMPANIES/Amer: Despite turmoil in cryptocurrency, some of Massachusetts' biggest and oldest financial companies are still on board

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Date/Time(s):	Length:	Segment:
5/8/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	5:50	ELECTRIC SUPPLIER COSTS/Wasser ATC-M08A State law allowing alternative energy suppliers was supposed to save customers \$, but state data show the option of choice in electricity supply is costing consumers more.
5/16/23 4:50:00	7:00	RESTAURANT CULTURE/Shea: atc-t16a [Allegations against a Boston chef are sparking a bigger conversation about work culture in restaurants]

Education**ME**

Date/Time(s):	Length:	Segment:
4/7/23 5:23 & 7:23	5:40	LOWELL STUDENTS/Petrucelli: In Lowell, a new program is trying to draw students of color towards teaching careers. Most of these kids have never had a teacher who looked like them.
4/19/23 6:34 & 8:34	4:34	BAY STATE COLLEGE/Larkin: [Students are left in the lurch as Bay State College prepares to close]
4/20/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:59	BROCKTON MULTILINGUAL CENTER/Jung Parents in Brockton where nearly half of students speak a language other than English at home now have a new center where they can ask questions and find answers:
5/5/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:50	CARTWHEEL/Moura: More than a dozen Massachusetts school districts have partnered with a vocal startup to help provide short-term mental health care for students.
5/18/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:36	TEACHER VISAS/Jung: [A Massachusetts school district cast a wide net to ease a teacher shortage]
6/2/23 5:45 & 7:44	5:25	MCAS ASSESSMENTS/Larkin: Amid complaints that the MCAS test doesn't reflect Massachusetts' changing student demographics, some districts are experimenting with alternatives.
6/9/23 5:51 & 7:51	1:50	CAMBRIDGE PRE-SCHOOL/Jung: Cambridge will fund a new public private partnership to make free pre-school more widely available.
6/20/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:13	O'BRYANT SCHOOL/Larkin Debrief: Boston's plan to move the O'Bryant School from Roxbury to West Roxbury draws pushback.
6/27/23 6:45 & 8:45	3:55	SCHOOL REFLECTIONS/Jung: Massachusetts K-through-12 students and educators look back on a year without masks, Covid tests, or social distancing.

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Medical and Healthcare

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4/10/23 6:34 & 8:34	7:35	BAA MED VOLUNTEERS/Bebinger: 10 years after the Boston Marathon bombings, the team that was working in the medical tent speak for the first time about that day...
4/11/23 5:45 & 7:44	5:25	BAA HOSPITALS/Dayal McCluskey: Boston hospitals drew wide praise for their response to the marathon bombings. But amid overcrowding and staff shortages, how would they handle a similar emergency today/
4/12/23 5:45 & 7:44	5:00	MARATHON MENTAL HEALTH/Becker: The long-term mental health affects of the marathon bombing among people who witnessed it.
5/1/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:20	HELPLINE/Becker: We go inside Massachusetts' new behavior health helpline, part of the state's overall effort to improve mental health care.
5/4/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:40	ORGANS/Madden: New data shows a Waltham-based organ donation group is one of several groups not finding enough donors.
5/10/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:36	PANDEMIC ENDING 2WAY/Shenoy + Hamer: Tomorrow marks the end of the COVID public health emergency. We look at what that means for Massachusetts.
5/12/23 5:23 & 7:23	5:30	LIFE EXPECTANCY/Bebinger: A new report indicates that where you live in Boston could affect your life expectancy by as much as 23 years.
5/24/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:32	BIRTH CONTROL/Emanuel: [The birth control pill traces its origins to an unexpected place: An infertility clinic in Brookline.]
6/1/23 5:22 & 7:22	4:50	CAN'T QUIT COVID/Dayal McCluskey: Patients with chronic illnesses, at high risk for Covid, are calling for the return of mask mandates to Massachusetts health care facilities.
6/9/23 5:53 & 7L:53	6:00	EMERSON TREATMENT/Jolicoeur: Emerson Hospital in Concord has shut down an addiction treatment program, to the dismay of patients and the doctor who ran it.

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4/11/23 4:50:00	5:30	hospital disaster preparedness/McCluskey ATC-T11A Concerns are raised about how Boston hospitals would respond to an emergency, 10 years after the marathon bombings when they did very well. Today staffing and patient

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		load are challenges that are raising questions.
4/12/23 4:50:00	5:25	MARATHON MENTAL HEALTH/Becker ATC-W12A How the boston marathon bombings 10 years ago caused long-lasting mental health problems for those who witnessed or were exposed to images from the bombings.
5/24/23 4:44:00	4:50	BIRTH CONTROL/Emanuel feature w/live lead-in A 20-year effort to make birth control pills available over the counter has been shaped by the pill's controversial beginnings. And as WBUR's Gabrielle Emanuel reports, it all started in Massachusetts.

Politics and Government

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Date/Time(s):	Length:	Segment:
4/6/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:31	LATINO TASK FORCE/Moreno: We speak with a member of Governor Maura Healey's new task force to help empower Latinos in Massachusetts
4/14/23 8:21	3:42	ENG'S FIRST WEEK/Becker 2-way: The MBTA's new General Manager meets derailments and a worker shortage in his first week on the job
4/24/23 5:45 & 7:45	3:53	PRISON REENTRY/Becker: A rare look inside a Massachusetts program to help people transition from prison-- as officials seek to expand the program:
4/27/23 6:45 & 7:45	4:43	SJC BREATHALYZER/Becker: More than 25,000 drunk driving prosecutions in Massachusetts are now in question, after the state's highest court finds police covered up evidence of faulty breathalyzer tests.
5/2/23 6:45 & 8:45	2:40	RENT CONTROL STALLED/Brown: Mayor Michele Wu's push to bring rent control back to Boston appears to have stalled on Beacon Hill. Lawmakers defeated a rent control proposal back in 2020.
5/5/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:30	BEACH ACCESS/Shenoy 2-Way: Private property and local regulations make a day at the beach in Massachusetts a lot more difficult than in other states.
5/10/23 5:34 & 7:34	3:54	TRUMP CNN/Brooks: Former President Donald Trump heads to New Hampshire for a CNN Town Hall -- an event drawing criticism even before he was found liable for sexual abuse and defamation:
5/11/23 5:34 & 7:34	2:55	DOC SUIT/Becker: Federal investigators could be looking into allegations of brutality against officers at a Massachusetts prison, according to new documents in a civil suit.
5/12/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:35	BOSTON REDISTRICT/Shenoy 2-Way: Boston officials are racing to draw new city council districts, after a judge ruled the old map focused too

		heavily on race.
5/17/23 6:45 & 8:45	3:33	ROLLINS RESIGNING/Wutmann: Massachusetts U.S. Attorney Rachel Rollins is resigning amid a months-long ethics investigation by the Department of Justice.
5/18/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:10	SJC RULING/Shenoy: [A ruling from the Massachusetts state Supreme Court justices takes aim at systemic racism in policing]
5/25/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:56	NH TRUMP EFFECT/Brooks [Florida Governor Ron DeSantis launched his presidential run; he recently shared some of his platform in New Hampshire.]
5/30/23 5:45 & 7:45	3:48	Secrecy Law Folo/Jarmanning: Massachusetts lawmakers look to make changes to state secrecy laws intended to protect victims of domestic violence -- but which instead have ended up protected police officers from accountability.
6/15/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:40	CITY HALL REPAIRS/Wuthmann: Boston's City Hall is more than 50 years old, and showing signs of aging. The city plans to spend 80 million dollars on maintenance over the next five years.
6/16/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:35	LILY XIE BPDA/Shenoy 2-Way: A new project imagines Boston development from a kid's eye view.
6/23/23 6:34 & 8:34	7:50	SSI SHORTAGE/Emanuel: Experts say thousands of eligible Massachusetts kids are missing out on supplemental Security Income. Parents and advocates point to under-staffing, outdated systems, and cumbersome rules.
6/28/23 6:45 & 8:45	3:30	DRIVERS LICENSES/Perdomo Hernandez: Thousands of immigrants in Massachusetts will be able to apply for drivers licenses, regardless of their immigration status. Some are preparing by studying the rules of the road.

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4/27/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	8:05	LAURA'S LAW/Mullins two-way ATC-R27B Lisa speaks with Peter DeMarco about the regulations he helped fight for and craft to require better signage and lighting at Massachusetts hospitals following the death of his wife outside Somerville Hospital when she encountered a locked door and poor entrance lighting
5/17/23 4:35:35, 6:20:35	5:15	ROLLINS ALLEGATIONS/Becker debrief LIVE Federal investigations released today find U S Attorney for Massachusetts Rachael Rollins violated ethics rules, by participating in politics while in her official duties, and tried to influence an election by leaking information from her office

Crime

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4/14/23 5:35:35	4:10	GUARDSMAN CHARGED/Amer LIVE Mass Air National Guard member charged, appears in court, to face federal charges related to leak of classified military and us government documents.
6/14/23 4:44:00, 6:20:35	3:53	Harvard Morgue Theft debrief/Live Today, a federal indictment accused the MORGUE MANAGER at Harvard Medical School- and his wife-- of stealing human body parts from donated cadavers and selling them. WBUR's Ally Jarmanning has the chilling details.

Science and Technology

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Religion

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4/21/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:55	SATANCON/Shenoy: We preview SatanCon, coming to Boston next week. Organizers say the convention will be the largest gathering of Satanists, ever.
6/8/23 6:48 & 8:48	5:00	MICHAEL SENNETT/Shenoy: We meet a Boston-area Catholic church staffer who's working to make his community more inclusive for transgender adults and kids.

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Weather and Environmental

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4/18/23 6:45 &	4:30	ELECTRIC BUSES/Moura: In Beverly Massachusetts, a new program is

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8:45		using electric school buses as backup power plants.
4/18/23 5:45 & 7:44	5:30	FIREFIGHTER PFAS/Emanuel: Massachusetts firefighters and their families are fighting to have dangerous PFAS chemicals removed from protective gear.
4/19/23 6:39 & 8:39	4:30	COMMUNITY POWER/HOPLAMAZIAN: [Some New Hampshire towns try a new tool to combat high electricity rates]
4/20/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:30	GREEN BURIALS/Krupp: Natural burials are becoming more common as people consider the environmental impacts that go along with being six feet under. But getting to this point hasn't always been easy:
4/21/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:15	SILVOPASTURE/Skahill: A number of New England farmers are responding to climate change with silvopastures--integrating trees, pasture, and livestock on one plot of land.
5/12/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:45	MOTHS/Moran: On Martha's Vineyard, an environmental group has launched a big project to protect endangered moths.
5/17/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:21	RIGHT WHALE/Moura: In order to protect Right Whales - scientists need to know where they're going. And for that - they're turning to their food:
6/16/23 5:45 & 7:44	4:55	MAINE OIL HEAT/Ropeik: Efforts to move Maine homeowners away from oil heat, to fight climate change and save money.
6/28/23 5:45 & 7:45	5:05	FAULKNER CLIMATE FOOD/Bebinger: Boston area hospitals are fighting climate change in the cafeteria, by nudging staff to more meat-free options.

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5/9/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	5:43	Green Electric Ads/Wasser ATC-M09A Ads for 100% renewable energy plans claim all you have to do is switch electric providers to help fight climate change. But are you actually helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions?

Arts, Culture, Media

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4/4/23 5:45 & 7:50	5:25	HOKUSAI MFA/Shea: Boston's Museum of Fine Arts celebrates the work and influence of the Japanese artist who created the iconic image, "The Wave."
4/19/23 5:45 & 7:50	4:50	SIMONE LEIGHT/Gray: [A new exhibit in Boston asks what to do with

7:45		monuments to the darker moments in history]
5/1/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:50	POST COVID THEATER/Mason: The pandemic shutdown threw many local theater companies into a financial crisis. But is also offered an opportunity.
5/2/23 5:53 & 7:53	6:25	POST-PANDEMIC MUSEUMS/Shea: As two Massachusetts museums adapt to the post-pandemic world, they're finding size matters.
5/3/23 5:45 & 7:44	5:30	POST-PANDEMIC DANCE/Guerra: How the Covid pandemic helped two Boston-area dance companies evolve.
5/4/23 6:23 & 8:23	5:50	PANDEMIC CLASSICAL/Williams: Two Boston Classical music groups got a boost during the pandemic, thanks to streaming.
5/10/23 5:39 & 7:39	4:23	KATE BAER/Cog: Best-selling author Kate Baer [BEAR] on becoming a mother and poet.
5/16/23 6:22 & 8:22	6:53	RESTAURANT CULTURE/Shea: [Allegations against a Boston chef are are sparking a bigger conversation about work culture in restaurants]
5/26/23 5:22 & 7:51	6:02	Boston Calling Kahan/Shea: [Among the 50-plus acts taking the stage at Boston Calling this weekend is Noah Kahan [KAHN] who writes songs about small town New England:]
5/26/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:33	Taylor Swift Fam/Cog: And the Taylor Swift tour may have moved on from Foxboro, but the afterglow remains for fans... and some of their parents too.
6/2/23 6:45 7 8:45	4:15	COG: THE LITTLE MERMAID/Okokon: Our commentator welcomes the inclusion in Disney's new version of The Little Mermaid. She just wants more.
6/12/23 6:23 & 8:23	6:00	48 HOUR FILM/Shea: From idea to screen in 2 days. Boston's 48-hour film project isn't just a competition.
6/15/23 5:51 & 7:51	3:30	VIEW BOSTON/Shenoy: We tour a new view of Boston opening today, from 52 stories up.
6/19/23 6:39 & 8:39	4:35	JUNETEENTH CONCERN/Graham 2-Way: Two years after Juneteenth became a national holiday, there are concerns the day is already losing its meaning.
6/20/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:10	BUNKER HILL/Shenoy: Some Charlestown residents are trying to control development by getting historic designation for the Bunker Hill battlefield.
6/21/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:37	QUEER SUFFRAGISTS/Shenoy 2-Way: They fought for the right to vote while keeping their private lives secret. We unpack the history of Boston's queer suffragists.
6/22/23 6:45 &	4:45	BAMS FEST/Gray: The Boston Art and Music Soul Festival returns this

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8:45		week. The celebration of Black culture is about more than just entertainment.
6/30/23 5:45 & 7:53	4:50	SUMMER OF SASS/Gray: A Provincetown summer program for young LGBTQ adults gets a new home, and security.

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4/20/23 4:50:00	7:05	SOUND ON/ALI MCGUIRK lauren williams ATC-R20A Lauren Williams profiles rising local singer Ali McGuirk and her songs on love, loss and social issues.
5/4/23 4:44:00, 6:20:35	4:30	JUDY BLUME COG/Brody ATC-R04A Sharon Brody reflects in this audio essay on the personal connection she had as a young reader with Judy Blume's book, turned movie, "are you there God, it's me Margaret"
6/19/23 4:44:00	4:35	sharon/eddie/fausto/amy/dave Juneteenth/Front Porch COG ATC-M19A 3:35 (Plus 1:00 music) Juneteenth was designated as a federal holiday in 2021 ... but members of the Black community have been commemorating it for decades. The Front Porch Arts Collective, a Black theater company in Boston, is working to advance equity in Boston's theater scene ... and on this Juneteenth, they are reflecting on how far they've come, and how far they have to go.

Sports

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4/13/23 5:47 & 7:46	3:50	DES LINDEN/Ashlock: 2018 Boston Marathon Champion Des Linden looks back at more than a decade of running the race--and how she fell in love with it her first time out.
4/17/23 5:23 & 7:22	6:25	MARATHON GOUCHER/Cog: Runner Kara Goucher (GOW-chur) reflects on her years running the boston Marathon, and life since she's stopped competing.
4/17/23 6:34 & 8:34	8:20	MARATHON ASHLOCK/LIVE DEBRIEF: We talk live with Alex Ashlock for a preview of today's Boston Marathon.
5/23/23 6:24 & 8:24	4:17	RICK HOYT REDUX: [Boston marathon icon Rick Hoyt has died at at age 61. He and his father, Dick Hoyt, became fixtures of the running scene after first racing together when Rick was 15.
5/30/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:00	Celtics Lose Game 7 Debrief/Ríos: The Boston Celtics came up short in their bid at history, losing Game 7 of the Eastern Conference Finals to the Miami Heat.

6/7/23 6:50 & 8:50	4:16	HARVARD HOCKEY COACH: The long-time coach of the Harvard Women's Hockey team retired yesterday despite an ongoing investigation into allegations of abuse and racism
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4/17/23 5:50:00	2:18	MARATHON FAN SUPERSPOT ATC-M17A 1:27 (2:18 W/LEAD) WBUR's Andrea Perdomo Hernandez [on-DRAY-uh per-DOH-moh her-NAN-dez] introduces us to two women that were determined to keep the energy high for both runners and spectators.

National

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6/23/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:30	DOBBS ONE YEAR/Bebinger: The political debate over abortion has been quiet in Massachusetts since the Supreme Court overturned Roe v Wade. But some clinics are seeing fallout from the ruling.
6/27/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:20	IMMIGRANT REPORT/2-Way: The Biden Administration's new immigration court in Boston is showing poor results, according to a new report.
6/30/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:10	SCOTUS AFFIRMATIVE ACTION ANALYSIS/2-Way: Yesterday's Supreme court ruling will change admission procedures at many colleges--but how sweeping are those changes likely to be

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“On Point”

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April 2023

Monday, April 3, 2023

Why Black children bear the brunt of gun deaths, and what can be done to stop it
Gun violence recently surpassed car accidents as the leading cause of death for American children. For Black children – that’s been the case since 2006.

Tuesday, April 4, 2023

Moral injury in modern medicine and how to heal health care workers
In our nation’s for-profit health system, more and more health care professionals say they're being forced to make choices that are bad for patients. Much like soldiers at war, clinicians...

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

How to make America's wireless networks more reliable
T-Mobile had a major cell phone outage in February. Last year, AT&T customers in Minnesota lost service for four days. What would it take to make America's wireless networks more...

Thursday, April 6, 2023

How to fix the growing discipline problem in U.S. classrooms
Student discipline problems rose sharply in the pandemic. Schools say disruptive behavior has been on the rise for years, but they're not allowed to do much about it. Now, lawmakers...

Friday, April 7, 2023

What’s next – legally and politically – for Donald Trump
For the first time in our nation’s history, a president was indicted on criminal charges. What’s next for Donald Trump?

Monday, April 10, 2023

The power of populism: What makes a leader a populist?
Populism has been on the rise in recent years. But why? And what exactly is populism? It’s the first episode of our series "The power of populism."

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

The power of populism: Populism in the world's largest democracy
Populism is on the rise across the globe, from Turkey to Hungary to Brazil. The second episode of our series “The power of populism” looks at the appeal of populism...

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Wisconsin and the politics of resentment

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On Point continues to explore “The power of populism” this week. Today, Wisconsin and the politics of resentment. How has populism flourished in the Badger state?

Thursday, April 13, 2023

The power of populism: Flipping the script on the urban-rural divide

It's easy to think of American populism as disempowered rural residents versus the urban elite. When it comes to America's electoral system and influencing national policy, who has the real...

Friday, April 14, 2023

The power of populism: Can populism strengthen a democracy?

It's episode five of our series 'The power of populism.' Populism can have an authoritarian trajectory, but can it also bring about better democracies?

Monday, April 17, 2023

The GOP and the abortion trap

By limiting access to abortion, Republicans have achieved a long sought-after goal. But it has cost them dearly in recent elections and many are looking to 2024 with trepidation.

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

Preparing for America's electric vehicle future

President Biden's new emissions standards are designed to accelerate the push towards electric vehicles. Among the challenges – batteries, and China's stranglehold on the supply chain. We hear how to...

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

What MLB fans and players think of baseball's new rules

Major League Baseball has new rules designed to speed up the game and attract new fans. We learn what fans and players think of the sport's big changes in the...

Thursday, April 20, 2023

An inside look at the Supreme Court's conservative transformation

Joan Biskupic has been a supreme court analyst for 25 years. Her new book tells the inside story of the court's conservative transformation -- the personalities and the politics behind...

Friday, April 21, 2023

America's Black maternal health crisis and how to fix it

As maternal deaths rose in the U.S. during the pandemic, Black women bore the brunt. In fact, they are almost three times more likely to die in childbirth than white...

Monday, April 24, 2023

How insecurity contributes to disenchantment with democracy

People the world over are feeling economically and culturally insecure. Economist Pranab Bardhan says liberal leaders aren't paying enough attention to that, and that's led to a growing disenchantment with...

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

What the Discord leaks reveal about the Pentagon's own cyber security

Cyber warfare is the future of war. And in many ways, that future is already here. So, is the United States ready?

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

Behind the push to strike down free preventative health care in America

The Affordable Care Act says you don't have to pay for preventative health care. But a federal judge in Texas recently struck that down. And it could change the way...

Thursday, April 27, 2023

Should there be a mandatory retirement age for elected officials?

Nearly three-quarters of Americans believe there should be a mandatory retirement age for elected officials. In many state judiciaries, there already is. Do mandatory retirement ages work in state courts?...

Friday, April 28, 2023

Fraud and forgery in the world of fine art

The world of fine art is full of multimillion dollar one-of-a-kinds and breathtaking masterpieces. But it's also rife with fraudsters and forgers. When fakes demand a fortune, what does that...

May 2023

Monday, May 1, 2023

Can AI be regulated?

Nearly 30,000 experts in the computing and AI world signed an open letter calling for a pause on AI development. What guardrails are needed before more advanced artificial intelligence is...

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

Reforming the country's organ transplant system

Thousands of people die each year waiting for an organ transplant in the U.S. The Biden administration says it's time the system is reformed. We hear how to improve America's...

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

Why Americans are leaving big cities behind

Americans are moving out of big cities. Cost, quality of life and the pandemic are shifting decades of population growth patterns. So where do Americans want to live now?

Thursday, May 4, 2023

What Tennessee tells us about democracy in America's states

In Tennessee's state assembly, Republicans are unabashedly exerting their power – over-ruling local laws, expelling Democratic lawmakers. What does Tennessee tell us about the health of democracy in U.S. state...

Friday, May 5, 2023

Does the Supreme Court need a code of conduct?

The Supreme Court doesn't have a code of ethics -- unlike every other judicial bench in the U.S. Who should require and enforce a code of ethics on the high...

Monday, May 8, 2023

'It goes so fast': NPR's Mary Louise Kelly on her life as journalist and mother

NPR's Mary Louise Kelly has reported from around the world. In her new book, she looks back on the choices she made as a reporter and a mother.

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Rebroadcast: Is customer service bad on purpose?

Press one. Press two. Try to find a human, but you can't. Welcome to the nightmare that is customer service.

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

The clock ticks on the debt limit: Lessons from America's last debt ceiling crisis

The U.S. debt limit clock is ticking. The nation could default in weeks. In 2011, the country came within 72 hours of that happening.

Thursday, May 11, 2023

How the politicization of COVID endangered our lives and democracy

The federal COVID-19 public health emergency is coming to an end today. But as we look back at the three-plus years of the pandemic, did we miss the opportunity to...

Friday, May 12, 2023

The U.S. COVID public health emergency ends: How did the pandemic change American life?

The U.S. COVID-19 emergency declaration is over. Over three years, Americans saw their lives forever changed.

Monday, May 15, 2023

What happened to Nina Jankowicz when Fox News came for her

When the Department of Homeland Security appointed Nina Jankowicz to lead an effort to fight disinformation and hate speech, disinformation and hate speech came for her. Now, she's suing Fox...

Tuesday, May 16, 2023

A record cull of Yellowstone bison intensifies debate into how to best manage them

This year more than a third of Yellowstone's bison have been removed from the herd – most of them shot – after they wandered out of the national park in...

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

Why hasn't the media learned its lesson about covering Donald Trump?

Former president Donald Trump tried to overthrow an election he lost. Now, he's running for president again. How should news organizations cover candidate Trump in post Jan. 6th America?

Thursday, May 18, 2023

How remote work is reshaping commercial real estate

Commercial real estate is cratering. In cities like Los Angeles and Chicago, more than 20% of office space lies vacant. What does that mean for America's cities?

Friday, May 19, 2023

The U.S. military promised to counter extremism. Has the Pentagon made progress?

The U.S. military promised to implement policies that would counter extremism in its ranks. But still it persists. What more should the Pentagon be doing to stop extremism in the...

Monday, May 22, 2023

A new rivalry between the U.S. and China over the world's undersea cables

Thousands of miles of fiber optic cable lying at the bottom of the world's oceans carry more than 95% of the world's data. Now, those undersea cables are at the...

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

What the DeSantis agenda means for higher education in Florida

Florida law now bans public colleges from offering general ed classes that "distort significant events" or "teach identity politics." What happens when the government tells colleges what they can and...

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

What Hunter Biden's troubles could mean for the president's 2024 reelection campaign

Hunter Biden faces possible indictment from the Justice Department. He's also the subject of Congressional investigation. We explore the details behind the headlines about the president's son.

Thursday, May 25, 2023

Rebroadcast: Understanding J. Edgar Hoover's America

J. Edgar Hoover, former FBI director. History has cast him as powerful, paranoid, a man not afraid to use the power of the FBI to intimidate and investigate his critics....

Friday, May 26, 2023

Gold Star children on life without their heroes

The children of fallen soldiers often bottle up their suffering. But some are opening up with the help of a writing seminar for Gold Star kids. Two of them share...

Monday, May 29, 2023

'The last supper': How a 1993 Pentagon dinner reshaped the defense industry

In 1993, then Secretary of Defense Les Aspin invited the CEOs of America's largest defense contractors to a private get-together. We hear how a secret dinner at the Pentagon kicked...

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

What the debt ceiling deadline means for your money

The debt ceiling deadline is quickly approaching. How will it impact your personal finances if the U.S. government can't pay its bills?

Wednesday, May 31, 2023

How the medical aid in dying movement is gaining momentum in the U.S.

In the past five years, states allowing access to life-ending medication for the terminally ill have more than tripled. But as more states allow such end-of-life care, is access really...

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Thursday, June 1, 2023

The little-known virus behind a majority of nongenetic birth defects

One virus causes more birth defects in American babies than any other nongenetic disease – but most don't know it exists. We hear a mother's journey to understand her daughter's...

Friday, June 2, 2023

'Greedflation': A once fringe theory of inflation gains momentum

A pandemic, war in Ukraine, supply chain breakdowns -- all led to soaring prices. And now, the idea that inflation is driven in part by corporations keeping prices high is...

Monday, June 5, 2023

What the impeachment of the Texas attorney general means for Ken Paxton and his party

Republicans in the Texas House voted overwhelmingly last week to impeach State Attorney General Ken Paxton. Charges include fraud, bribery and more. But it's also revealed a divide in the...

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

The Microsoft-Google AI war

Two of the biggest tech companies in the world, Microsoft and Google, are warning about the dangers of unregulated AI development. At the same time, they're racing each other to...

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

Reality wars: Deepfakes and national security

A prominent Kremlin critic says the Russian government invited him to a Zoom call that turned out to be a deepfake. But what happens when governments start using deep fakes...

Thursday, June 8, 2023

CITES: A historic treaty protecting endangered species turns 50. Is it still an effective tool?

In 1973, countries came together and signed a historic treaty to stop the international trade of endangered species. 50 years later, the CITES agreement has never been updated, even as...

Friday, June 9, 2023

How California agriculture is the problem and solution to its Colorado River water crisis

80% of California's water from the Colorado River is used for agriculture. As the river dries up, the first cuts tend to land on farmers. But is targeting the country's...

Monday, June 12, 2023

Is Vice President Kamala Harris a liability or an asset in 2024?

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In the race for the White House, due to President Joe Biden's age, Vice President Kamala Harris is under a lot more scrutiny than number twos on the ticket usually...

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Should schools ban smartphones in the classroom?

A new Florida law lets teachers prohibit students from using phones in class. How do phones alter a student's ability to focus, stay on task, absorb new information and exercise...

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

'Recoding America' author Jennifer Pahlka on how we can reshape our government to work for us
State and federal government is so focused on policymaking that it often fails to provide the services its laws intend. In her new book "Recoding America," author Jennifer Pahlka outlines...

Thursday, June 15, 2023

Woniya Thibeault survived extreme cold and isolation to become a winner

Woniya Thibeault used her knowledge of skills used by early humans to become the first woman to win History Channel's wilderness reality show, Alone. Now she wants to show you...

Friday, June 16, 2023

How Trump's trial could alter the nation's political landscape

This week former president Donald Trump pleaded not guilty to dozens of federal criminal charges for his handling of classified documents. How will the trial of Donald Trump alter the...

Monday, June 19, 2023

How cities can better confront climate change

The city of Milwaukee has an ambitious climate plan to cut its carbon emissions. Hundreds of U.S. cities have similar plans. Very few have met their goals.

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Why one female pastor left the Southern Baptist Convention

The Southern Baptist Convention – the nation's largest Protestant denomination – overwhelmingly voted to oust women from church leadership. What's driving this crackdown, and what impact will it have on...

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Is it time to take Putin's nuclear threats more seriously?

Russian officials have warned NATO since the start of the Ukraine war that it could resort to nuclear weapons. Most observers think that's bluster. But one former defense attaché to...

Thursday, June 22, 2023

Will the PGA Tour-LIV Golf deal sportswash Saudi's reputation?

Last year, the PGA Tour and LIV Golf filed lawsuits against each other. Now, the two groups are forming an alliance. What does it tell us about Saudi Arabia's growing...

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Are return-to-office mandates backfiring?

Apple, Meta, Amazon and Disney want workers to be in the office more days per week. How does where we work affect our productivity and office culture?

Monday, June 26, 2023

Why so many U.S.-educated foreign students don't stay for work

From 2017 to 2021 nearly 40,000 foreign-born graduates of U.S. universities were recruited to Canada alone.

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

The man helping TikTok disrupt the music industry

TikTok is a driving force in the music industry. How does the platform identify snippets of music and turn artists into the next generation of global music stars? That's the...

Wednesday, June 28, 2023

'A most tolerant little town': The forgotten story of desegregation in Clinton, Tennessee

In 1956, a federal judge ordered the town of Clinton, Tennessee to desegregate its high school. The unrest that followed tore the town apart.

Thursday, June 29, 2023

Pitmaster Ryan Mitchell on America's complicated history with barbeque

The whole hog barbeque is the original style of American barbeque. It's a tradition deeply rooted in indigenous and Black history.

Friday, June 30, 2023

Musician Rhiannon Giddens digs into American roots music and finds connections to cultures around the world

Pulitzer Prize-winning musician Rhiannon Giddens challenges us to honestly answer the question, can any culture lay total claim to specific styles of music?

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Stick your neck out and adopt a desert tortoise

More than 300 animals are available this year, mostly because people illegally breed them at home.

How media is covering the Trump indictment

Far from shrinking away from a historic indictment last week, former President Donald Trump finds himself once again at the center of media attention.

As Tax Day approaches, let's talk taxes

Expert business analyst offers tips on how to prepare for the looming deadline.

Broadway's Ben Platt, Micaela Diamond say lessons in 'Parade' on hatred, antisemitism resonate today
Theater goers waiting outside Broadway's acclaimed musical "Parade" recently were harassed by a small group of neo-Nazi protestors.

Wisconsin's Supreme Court election may be the most contentious and expensive race in 2023

The outcome will likely determine abortion access, election law and whether a heavily-Republican gerrymandered map will remain in place.

Trump will be arraigned Tuesday: What we know so far

The charges are connected to payments made during his 2016 campaign.

LSU tops Iowa in Women's NCAA basketball final for 1st championship title

In a back-and-forth game, the Tigers ran out as comfortable winners at the end, trouncing the favored University of Iowa Hawkeyes 102-85.

How 'Choosing to Run' made all the difference for marathon winner Des Linden

Des Linden's new book details her 2018 Boston Marathon victory — but it's also about what happened in her life before she got to the starting line that day.

Storms and tornadoes kill 32 people across the South, Midwest

Forecasters are warning of more severe weather this week.

An emergency rescue during California's wild weather is just another day for this rural paramedic

Jessica Farmer is a seasoned emergency responder. Recently, she, along with other emergency workers, has had numerous challenges in helping people due to frequent, and sometimes debilitating, storms in California.

In 'On Work: Money, Meaning, Identity,' Derek Thompson explores what work means to people
For many people, work is more than just a job, it's something that gives our lives meaning and provides community.

Pro-Putin Russian military blogger killed in St. Petersburg explosion
Popular Russian military blogger Vladlen Tatarsky was killed in a bomb blast at a cafe in St. Petersburg Sunday.

Proposed North Carolina bill would repeal funding to join multi-state voting registration group ERIC
In the past year, there has been an exodus of red states from ERIC, including Florida, Missouri and Ohio.

Trump will soon be arraigned — what comes next?
We get the latest on the political noise former President Donald Trump's imminent arraignment is causing.

Tuesday, April 4, 2023

Questions persist over East Palestine waterways cleanup after chemical spill from train derailment
The creeks and rivers that run through East Palestine, Ohio are contaminated with chemicals from the train derailment that occurred in early February.

'Reflections on Captivity' tells story of Navy lieutenant assumed dead who survived as a POW
For a year and a half, Halyburton was listed as "killed in action" after being shot down over North Vietnam. But he was actually alive.

Tornadoes, high winds set to hit nearly 70 million Americans from Texas to Michigan
This comes just days after some of those areas were ravaged by deadly tornadoes.

The 1915 antisemitic lynching of Leo Frank resonates in today's political and racial climate
Leo Frank, a Jewish man from Atlanta, was falsely accused and sentenced to the death penalty for the killing of a 13-year-old girl in 1913. Two years later, he was...

Gun control politics reach new highs — or lows — in Tennessee
The demonstrations included school children and followed the deadly shooting last week at the Covenant School in Nashville.

Trump to surrender for arraignment: Indictment pushes more Republicans to support his re-election
Every poll participant said they were considering donating to the 2024 Trump presidential campaign.

The latest from New York City ahead of Trump's surrender
A grand jury indicted Trump last week for his alleged role in covering up hush money payments.

What to expect from Trump's arraignment
The former president says he will deliver the words "not guilty" himself.

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Restoring Amache to honor the thousands of Japanese Americans who died there
During World War II, thousands of Japanese Americans were deemed a threat and forcibly incarcerated at various sites.

'Egg: A Dozen Ovatures' book egg-spounds on the history of the not-so-humble ovals
Author Lizzy Stark's new book takes a look at the history and many uses of the egg throughout the world.

Oil prices jump after OPEC+ makes surprise production cuts
OPEC+ — a group of oil-producing nations — voted to cut production by more than a million barrels a day.

How art strengthens the brain
Creative activities like music, dance, and poetry have a measurable effect on brain structure, scientists say.

Texas considers wave of election laws
Republican lawmakers say the wave of bills would address election fraud — but there hasn't been much detected. Critics say it will disenfranchise voters, especially voters of color.

Trump arraignment: Former federal prosecutor weighs in
Former President Donald Trump is scheduled to be arraigned today in New York City after a grand jury handed up an indictment last week.

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National Park Service works to restore Amache, former site of a Japanese internment camp
Thousands of Japanese Americans were forcibly incarcerated at various sites in the U.S. during World War II.

'Music for Prime Time' book explores TV themes that haunt our brains
Jon Burlingame has interviewed 450 participants in that field and he shares that knowledge in the new, updated version of his book "Music for Prime Time."

Pandemic academic losses prompt Illinois to pivot tutoring strategy
Studies show that small groups and intensive tutoring to complement foundational classes is helping kids who are beyond catch-up. The initiative is funded by federal COVID relief dollars.

Tick bites can result in red-meat allergies: How to test and treat them
Lots of people are aware of Lyme Disease, but ticks cause other illnesses, too.

New technology helps street medicine team care for LA's unhoused population
The group, Healthcare in Action, offers unhoused people free trackers which they can voluntarily wear. The trackers allow the medical team to check in periodically or in case of a...

After train derailment, questions remain over East Palestine waterways cleanup
The train derailment that occurred in early February contaminated creeks and rivers running through East Palestine, Ohio, with chemicals

Wisconsin Supreme Court election may be nonpartisan, but Protasiewicz's win is a liberal victory
The election was record-breaking for both money spent and voter turnout.

'Extrapolations' portrays what's at stake for our planet over the next few decades
The new fictional TV show "Extrapolations" avoids the Hollywood tendency to tell climate stories about the end of the world.

Creating a suicide prevention plan to distract, cope and reach out for support can save lives
The late psychologist Barbara Stanley left behind a simple, but staggeringly effective interview to prevent suicides.

House Speaker Kevin McCarthy meets with President of Taiwan despite objections from China
The meeting is at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Southern California.

Broadway's 'Parade' is based on the 1915 antisemitic lynching of Leo Frank
The Broadway musical "Parade" is a retelling of the story of Leo Frank, a Jewish man from Atlanta, falsely accused and sentenced to the death penalty for the killing of...

Brandon Johnson won the Chicago mayoral race. What now?
Progressives in Chicago are celebrating this morning after Brandon Johnson's victory in last night's mayoral election.

The charges against Trump, explained
He pleaded not guilty Tuesday to 34 felony charges. He's accused of covering up payment to an adult film actress to conceal an alleged affair and influence the 2016 election.

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Medical students in states with abortion bans are traveling to Washington for training
For medical students in states where abortion bans are in place, abortion training is hard to get.

In snowy Utah, skjoring is an extreme sport thrill
Skjoring is a unique snow sport dating back centuries. It's kept alive in annual competitions in the West.

French President Emmanuel Macron's visit to China: What it means
Macron last visited China in 2019 before the pandemic.

Maryland AG report details decades of alleged clergy sex abuse in Baltimore Archdiocese
A new report alleges that Catholic clergy abused more than 600 children over decades in the Baltimore Archdiocese.

Florida Judge Scott Cupp leaves the bench to fight for the freedom of man convicted of murder
Leo Schofield was newly married to 18-year-old Michelle Schofield when she was found stabbed to death in 1987.

Electric vehicle markets: GM overtakes Ford for 2nd place, Tesla is still far out in front
GM's accelerating success is a sign of the company's grand aim of being the top EV maker in the country in the next few years — an aim shared with...

Scabby the Rat — an icon of the labor movement — could be endangered
If you live in a city you will probably recognize him.

Runner Kara Goucher blew the whistle on abuses, misogyny, and doping to spare others
Her new memoir "The Longest Race" tells the story of her evolution as a runner and as the whistleblower who eventually testified formally about doping in the Oregon Project —...

The case against Trump is strong, former Manhattan chief assistant DA says
Trump pleaded not guilty Tuesday to 34 felony charges. He's accused of covering up payments to an adult film actress to conceal an alleged affair and help him win the...

Tensions escalate in Jerusalem after 2nd consecutive night of police raiding Al-Aqsa Mosque
The incidents occurred at the beginning of the Jewish week-long Passover holiday and during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan.

Michigan abortion ban repealed
Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signed a bill to repeal a 1931 abortion ban in Michigan, which went into effect after the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade last June.

Friday, April 7, 2023

Can AI help doctors with paperwork?
Critics say the systems need to overcome biases and a tendency to fabricate answers.

Biden administration report on war in Afghanistan points fingers at Trump
The review found the U.S. should have left Afghanistan earlier, but it also blames former President Donald Trump for the withdrawal.

Are ivory-billed woodpeckers extinct? Question ruffles feathers of birders who say it's still alive
The black and white woodpecker hasn't been officially sighted since 1944 — but many ornithologists believe that it's still alive somewhere.

Oddly-shaped underwater mountain discovered off California coast
Scientists found a 3,300-foot-tall underwater volcano off the coast of Northern California.

German soccer club FC Ente Bagdad fights prejudice one game at a time
The team brings together young people from all over the world who have ended up in the German City of Mainz and — through soccer — coaches them to understand...

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Job growth slows, but unemployment ticks downward

The job market is showing signs of cooling — a sign that rising interest rates may finally be taking their toll on the job market.

Are employers looking for older workers?

Some employers say they are looking to 70-year-olds for their new hires.

Advocates call Biden's transgender athlete proposal either 'a step forward' or 'a betrayal'

The proposed change to Title IX would outlaw broad bans on transgender athletes but still allow some restrictions on participation.

John Cho's debut novel 'Troublemaker' out in paperback

The novel centers around Jordan, a 12-year-old Korean-American boy living in Los Angeles who is caught up in events following the acquittal of the men videotaped beating Rodney King in...

Israel launches airstrikes on southern Lebanon and Gaza

The attacks came in response to a barrage of rockets that were fired from south Lebanon toward northern Israel.

Tennessee lawmakers expel 2 Democrats over gun control protest

Reps. Justin Jones and Justin Pearson protested on the floor last week in favor of gun control following a deadly school shooting in Nashville.

Scrutiny of Justice Clarence Thomas increases

A report says that Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas did not disclose lavish travel and vacations hosted by a conservative donor.

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'Essential Tremors' podcast explores how musicians find inspiration in unlikely places

Composer Brian Harnetty finds inspiration in unusual places. One of his compositions uses oral histories that were recorded in Appalachia in the mid-20th century.

Guatemalan journalist and publisher imprisoned by authorities for more than 8 months

José Rubén Zamora is a journalist and publisher of El Periódico, a newspaper investigating corruption in the country.

Boston Bruins hold record for most wins in an NHL season with 63

The Bruins won their 63rd game last night against the Philadelphia Flyers. We briefly mark the moment.

Migrant boat carrying hundreds adrift in Mediterranean

There are about 400 people aboard, and many of them need medical attention.

Financial literacy can help people avoid scams. 'Financial Capability Month' promotes education

The aim of "National Financial Capability Month" is to highlight “the value of high-quality financial education in improving Americans' financial capability.”

Justice Clarence Thomas failed to report lavish trips, new report finds
Thomas broke the law when he failed to report lavish trips on a private jet and on a superyacht all provided by a Texas billionaire and GOP megadonor.

Priest on building bridges between religions, 25 years after Northern Ireland peace deal
25 years ago, a historic peace deal ended decades of sectarian violence known as The Troubles.

Future of abortion drug Mifepristone in question amid conflicting court rulings
For more than 20 years, Mifepristone was widely and safely used as a drug in medication abortions.

The EU wants to sanction diamonds from Russia
A large part of the world's supply of diamonds comes from Russia.

Merrie Monarch Festival — the 'Olympics of hula' — celebrates 60 years
The biggest festival of hula and Hawaiian culture in the world takes place in Hilo this week.

How rural communities without grocery stores are innovating
The U.S. Department of Agriculture says 76 counties in the U.S. don't have a grocery store.

Resort towns in Wyoming are selling at record-breaking real estate prices
Buying a home in Wyoming is becoming more expensive. And it may not change anytime soon.

25 years after the Good Friday Agreement ended decades of violence in Northern Ireland
The deal, signed on April 10, 1998, brought an end to decades what's known as the Troubles.

Nashville leaders to decide on reinstating expelled Rep. Justin Jones
Republican lawmakers had ousted Rep. Justin Jones of Nashville, as well as Rep. Justin Pearson of Memphis, after a gun control protest on the House floor.

Justice Department investigates leaked Pentagon documents
The leak includes information about Russia's war in Ukraine, like where Ukrainian troops are located.

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PFAS take on another life after surviving wastewater treatment process
PFAS are toxic chemicals that exist in almost everything from drinking water to cookware.

Clint Smith's 'Above Ground' explores both the joys and tribulations of parenthood through poetry
Clint Smith writes about the everyday joy, anxiety and exhaustion of parenthood with young children.
He also writes about the legacy of slavery and racism and how that history shaped...

Uber CEO has a new plan to attract drivers to the company, though many still seek higher pay
Uber has made changes, but many drivers still want more pay.

'We Were Once a Family' explores flaws in foster, adoption systems and 6 children's resulting deaths
"We Were Once a Family: A Story of Love, Death, and Child Removal in America" centers around two families whose children were taken away and adopted by a couple who...

Biden ends COVID national emergency with resolution
The coronavirus killed more than one million people in the U.S.

Tennessee activists call out lawmakers for criminalizing protest
Activists claim Tennessee lawmakers are deflecting from taking action on issues such as gun control or police reform by criminalizing protests.

Why so many kids with autism get expelled from preschool
A new study finds that about one in six kids with autism are expelled from preschool and daycares.

Will your children be better off than you?
Recent surveys find three-fourths of Americans believe their children will not be better off than they are.

NBA play-ins begin ahead of the playoffs
The headliners are the LeBron James-led Los Angeles Lakers, who are heading in as the big favorites in the West. While in the Eastern Conference, his old team the Miami...

2 Chicago teens want more girls to play competitive chess
Queens United Chess was started by two public school students a few years ago to introduce the game to more girls.

Asylum officers express concern over Biden's new, expedited asylum screening process
Under this new screening process, migrants who enter the country illegally will be screened by asylum officers while under the custody of U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

Should Congress impose an ethics code on Supreme Court after Justice Clarence Thomas' revelations?
The Democrat-controlled Senate Judiciary Committee plans to hold hearings over Supreme Court ethics.

One abortion rights activist on what judge's ruling on mifepristone means for pregnant people
Since it was approved in 2000 by the FDA, mifepristone has been shown to be a safe and effective way to have a medication abortion.

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Pakistan struggles with compounding crises, 6 months after deadly floods
The lasting effects of the floods compounded with the extreme economic crisis Pakistan is dealing with, as well as the refugee crisis, have resulted in Pakistan being in sore need...

How laws against 'woke' banking, investing impact everyday people from school kids to retirees

There are political winners and real-life losers in this culture war.

Dueling rulings on abortion pill Mifepristone pose challenges for FDA
Judicial action on mifepristone could have broad implications for the FDA's authority going forward.

Herbie Hancock on life, death, faith and friendship with fellow jazz icon Wayne Shorter
The two lions of jazz played music together and practiced Buddhism together for more than half a century.

EPA proposes tougher new emissions rules for vehicles
The EPA's new plans to cut vehicle emissions could transform the car industry.

Treating gunshot victims so frequently takes an emotional toll, Louisville doctor says
Dr. Jason Smith calls for lawmakers to take action to curb gun violence in Kentucky and across the country.

Increased wages for low-wage workers came out of pandemic economy
Hourly wages for low-wage workers adjusted for inflation grew 9% during the pandemic.

How does Haiti get out of crisis?
The risk of kidnapping for Haitians is just one small piece of a wider crisis with escalating gang violence, a food shortage, a constitutional and law enforcement crisis and a...

Elder dog with terminal cancer found 'an instant heart connection' with his new family
Older dogs, particularly those with special needs, are difficult to place in new homes. In addition, overcrowded animal shelters result in a lot of unwanted dogs and cats.

What do Trump voters want? Pollster on the former president's supporters and his re-election run
Strategist Frank Luntz penned a New York Times opinion piece titled "How To Make Trump Go Away."

Plans to cut imperiled Colorado River water usage emerge
The federal government is trying to protect the country's largest reservoirs from failing after 23 years of drought.

White House warns against synthetic drug cocktail causing widespread deaths among users
Some 100,000 people are dying each year from illegal street drugs.

Conservative movement pushes against abortion drug Mifepristone
Conservative push got a case about the abortion pill Mifepristone in front of a Texas judge.

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National Guardsman arrested for massive intelligence leak
A Massachusetts National Guardsman was arrested Wednesday afternoon in the leak of top secret intelligence documents in a gaming forum.

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What's cooking in Cincinnati? Multiple James Beard Award finalists hail from the city
While major hubs like Dallas and New York City have their share of nominations, Cincinnati is holding its own with three finalists.

This card game has no rules and is designed for people with dementia to play
As a person with dementia's condition worsens, enjoying activities with others may be more difficult.

Proud Boys leaders testify in Jan. 6 trial, others accused remain in D.C. jail
We get the latest from the months-long trial of Proud Boys leaders accused of seditious conspiracy for their role in the Jan. 6 riot

Biden's Ireland trip continues with address to Irish Parliament
Biden's address is part of a visit to the island of Ireland, as he marks the 25th Anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement and revisits his family's own history.

How Jacob Wideman faced his mental health struggles behind bars
Jake had many years of practice pretending he wasn't suffering from mental health struggles in his youth, but now, he had to push those struggles even further out of sight...

Amid Senator Dianne Feinstein's extended absence from the Senate, should she resign?
Feinstein has asked Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer to temporarily relieve her of her duties as a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee while she's recovering from shingles, but she's...

JUUL vaping company to pay nearly half a billion dollars in settlement
E-cigarette company JUUL has agreed to settle a case brought by six states and Washington D.C. accusing it of lying about the harms of vaping and of illegally marketing to...

Could hospitals handle another event like the Boston Marathon bombings?
If a similar event were to happen now, in a post-pandemic world, it's likely Boston hospitals wouldn't have the same capacity to handle it as they did a decade ago.

AI may discriminate against parents with disabilities, new investigation shows
The investigation looks into how the child welfare system in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, uses AI to predict which children could be at risk of harm.

South Florida sees severe flooding
As much as 20 inches of rain fell during storms Wednesday.

17th-century Dutch artist Judith Leyster's work resurfaces nearly half a millennia later
More institutions are introducing new audiences to her unique painting style.

Remembering Raghavan Iyer, noted cookbook author
Raghavan Iyer taught Americans about the depth and breadth of Indian cuisine.

Landmines in Ukraine crop fields put farmers' lives at risk
By one estimate, mines have already killed nearly 200 civilians since the start of the war.

Who is the judge who overturned FDA approval of abortion drug Mifepristone?
Judge Matthew Kacsmaryk, who overturned the FDA's approval of the abortion drug mifepristone, has a history of anti-abortion views and was appointed by then-President Donald Trump.

Abortion pill rulings: U.S. appeals court preserves partial access but with tighter rules
The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit says the drug, used in most medication abortions in the United States, remains approved for use up to seven weeks of...

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'Gasolina,' Queen Latifah and more are inducted into the National Recording Registry
For the first time, a reggaetón song and the music of a female rapper have been selected.

Leaked Pentagon documents appear to show U.S. eavesdropping on both adversaries and allies
The leaks came ahead of South Korea President Yoon's state visit to Washington on April 26.

Meet Max, a new streaming service combining HBO Max and Discovery-Plus
Warner Brothers Discovery will combine the two streaming services, Discovery-Plus and HBO Max, into one app, called Max.

Fire at Indiana plastic recycling plant: Health risks, cleanup and more
For more than two days, the inferno spewed black fumes that local officials declared "toxic."

'Joyland,' film briefly banned in Pakistan, earns Cannes Film Fest accolades
The film "Joyland" follows a man who gets a job in a burlesque show and falls in love with a trans woman.

The story of a cult leader, 30 years after the Branch Davidians raid in Waco
How did a rural Texas boy named Vernon Wayne Howell transform himself into David Koresh, leader of the Branch Davidians? And what's the long-term effect of the fiery federal raid...

Abortion drug ruling dominates week in politics
The Supreme Court is expected to weigh in for the first time on the availability of the so-called abortion pill Mifepristone.

Boston Marathon first responders became a family in the wake of tragedy
Ten years ago, these first responders were strangers.

Clarence Thomas sold property to Texas billionaire Harlan Crow, new revelations show
Justice Thomas never reported it. Ethics experts say selling property and failing to disclose it is a clear violation of the law.

'MLB: The Show' celebrates historical Black all-stars with new player additions

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It's a first for the long-running game franchise.

Fight for democracy in Tennessee isn't over, progressive organizers say

A protest for stricter gun laws in Tennessee led to Republicans expelling two House members. Those two, Justin Pearson and Justin Jones, are now back in office.

Tennessee, Michigan among states taking up gun legislation as annual NRA meeting kicks off

The National Rifle Association's annual meeting kicks off Friday in Indianapolis.

Suspect in Pentagon documents leak arrested

A 21-year-old member of the Massachusetts Air National Guard has been arrested in connection with the recent trove of leaked Pentagon documents.

Black Maternal Health care in 'crisis.' What's the solution?

Black women in the U.S. are three times more likely to die from pregnancy-related complications than white women. Experts point to systemic racism and inequities as the cause.

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North Carolina state government agencies face major worker shortage

Department heads are looking to the state legislature to increase funding for salaries to attract and keep workers.

ER doctor recounts treating Boston Marathon bombing patients, 10 years later

Doctors around the city heard there had been some kind of incident, but could not have prepared for the flood of patients who arrived, many in critical condition.

House Speaker Kevin McCarthy presents debt ceiling plan to Wall Street

McCarthy will make the case for drastic spending cuts to deal with the U.S. government's debt.

Credit card questions: 'Don't judge why other people go into debt,' expert says

Our personal finance guru answers your questions on paying down credit card debt.

The latest from the Boston Marathon update finish line

The 127th running of the iconic race comes ten years after bombings at the finish line killed three people and injured hundreds of others.

Fox-Dominion defamation lawsuit begins this week

Dominion accuses Fox of knowingly spreading falsehoods about its vote counting in the 2020 presidential election.

Marathon bombing survivor Heather Abbott stands at the finish line yearly to fund prosthetic limbs

At 38, she was on a trip from Rhode Island to Boston to watch the Red Sox and the Marathon finish, when the second of two bombs blew her into...

La Marisoul and Los Texmaniacs bring the heart on their new album 'Corazones and Canciones'

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The 15 songs on the album are reinterpretations of classics that are meant to bring people together, wherever they are.

Robocops join NYPD, much to the dismay of some residents
The New York City Police Department recently showed off high-tech gadgets including four-legged Digidogs to work alongside officers. But some New Yorkers think it's creepy.

Here & Now's Robin Young reflects on the Boston Marathon bombings and everything that followed
As recreational runners continue to cross the Boston Marathon finish line on Monday, Here & Now takes a look back at the events that started at 2:49 p.m.

Fort Lauderdale's historic flooding pushes residents out of their homes
WLRN's Gerard Albert III talks with one resident who has decided to move to higher ground.

Fighting in Sudan escalates as millions of civilians are caught in the crossfire
Nearly 100 civilians have been killed in fighting that erupted this past weekend between rival military factions in Sudan.

Alabama birthday party shooting leaves 4 dead: The latest
A shooting at a Sweet 16 birthday party in Dadeville, Alabama this weekend also injured 28 people.

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Pablo Escobar's invasive hippos could be relocated from Colombia
The plan is controversial, in part because it would be very difficult to capture and transport dozens of hippos, and in part because the hippos have become a local tourist...

'Brotherless Night' explores Sri Lanka's civil war through stories of family
Between 1983 and 2009, a civil war between the majority Sinhalese government and the minority Tamil insurgents, also known as the Tamil tigers, devastated Sri Lanka.

Some coastal species can live in floating trash rafts
Way out on the Pacific Ocean lies an accumulation of floating trash, known as the Great Pacific Garbage Patch.

Is 'ladies' acceptable workplace language?
Are there words and phrases that are no longer acceptable or off-limits in the workplace? What happens if you're unaware that you're using them? It's not always a simple right...

Rep. Justin Jones on his expulsion and reinstatement from Tennessee House over gun protests
Tennessee Republicans expelled two young, Black Democratic lawmakers for protesting on the House floor.

'The Phantom of the Opera' actor reflects on musical's historic Broadway run
The show ended its Broadway run on Sunday night after 35 years, making it the longest-running musical in Broadway history.

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The latest on Israel, as cross-border and internal tensions rise
Even for those who don't closely follow the Middle East conflicts closely, it would be difficult to miss the uptick in recent headlines from the region,

WGA votes to authorize strike — bringing Hollywood closer to potential shutdown
The members of the Writers Guild of America voted yesterday to authorize a strike - should they fail to reach an agreement with The Alliance of Motion Picture and Television...

The hypocrisy and dysfunction of 'front yard politics'
The Atlantic's Derek Thompson writes that Americans have become more interested in saying the words than in taking the appropriate actions to back them up.

Why one of America's largest seafood providers is under investigation — again
In New Bedford, Massachusetts, some workers are still looking for jobs after Eastern Fisheries, one of the U.S.'s largest seafood providers, effectively fired them at the beginning of the month.

Akron activist: People need 'permission and space to be angry' over police killing of Jayland Walker
A special grand jury came back Tuesday with no charges for eight police officers who shot and killed the young Black man last summer.

Sudan latest: Confusion of ceasefire calls
The Sudanese Army has seemingly agreed to a call by rival paramilitaries forces to enter a humanitarian ceasefire, but there appear to still be factions who are opposed to the...

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Immigration law prevents family from staying together in U.S., but there's a bipartisan solution
Last Congress, a bill that would make it possible for Ed Markowitz and his wife Rocio to return to the U.S. made it through a House markup. But the bill...

Colorado River labeled as most endangered in U.S., and climate change is to blame
A stretch of the Colorado River that flows through Grand Canyon National Park is listed as the most endangered river in the country.

Maverick City Music collective brings diversity to contemporary Christian music
The group won four Grammy awards this year, tying with Beyonce for most wins of the night.

Suspect who shot Black teenager Ralph Yarl faces 2 felony charges
84-year-old Andrew Lester has been charged with assault in the first degree and armed criminal action for shooting Yarl.

Fox News settles with Dominion Voting Systems, will pay nearly \$790 million
The settlement averted a high-profile trial involving Fox News and Dominion Voting Systems.

Sudan fighting spills into 5th day

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The death toll from the fighting is reaching 300 and that number is expected to climb.

'Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club' is J. Ryan Stradal's love letter to his mother
The book centers around three generations of women connected to a family-owned supper club in upper Minnesota.

Apple opens new high-yield savings account for customers in the face of rising interest rates
Apple has launched a new savings account with an interest rate of 4.15% for users with an Apple card.

DOE drafting regulations to implement 15-year-old requirement for fossil-free federal buildings
A 2007 law requires new and remodeled federal buildings to stop using fossil fuels by 2030. But implementation stalled and gas utilities want to repeal that section.

Biden's 'historic' child care order: What's in it?
Advocates are calling it historic and a good first step in the absence of Congressional action.

Father of Dadeville shooting victim Marsiah Collins remembers his son
Martin Edward Collins says his son Marsiah Collins should have been able to attend a birthday party without being gunned down.

Supreme Court to weigh in on the availability of abortion drug mifepristone
Mifepristone is the most common method of abortion in the U.S.

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Board games are having a renaissance — but which should you play?
We're in the midst of a board game renaissance. Convention attendance has swelled, premium games sell for hundreds of dollars and designers enjoy cult followings

The Darien Gap is the world's most dangerous migrant route. CNN chronicled 5 days on the route
There's only one way to walk from South to Central America — a route so fraught with danger that no one with any other option would choose it.

Life on parole: How a violation put Jacob Wideman back in prison
Jake didn't know it when he was first released, but his freedom would only last nine months — and there were people on the outside working to put him back...

Brazil reaches out to China and Russia — and the West is nervous.
President Lula's invitation is part of a wider effort to maintain a neutral foreign policy stance, having last week visited China, as well as the U.S. earlier this year.

McCarthy releases plan to raise debt ceiling
In exchange for raising the debt ceiling and avoiding a government default, House Speaker Kevin McCarthy's plan calls for slashing federal spending, cutting regulations, and putting stricter rules on some...

Ukrainian teen sets new tennis ambitions after relocating to U.S.
Russian's invasion of Ukraine forced thousands to flee and relocate to other countries.

California's San Quentin prison could be more like Norway's prison system. But what would it take?
California governor Gavin Newsom wants to make San Quentin, one of the state's most infamous prisons, look more like Norway's prisons.

SpaceX Starship rocket explodes after launch
The rocket got off the launchpad before exploding above the Gulf of Mexico.

A student's viral TikTok got their influencer marketing class final cancelled
In an influencer marketing course at Chapman University in California, the professor issued a challenge.

Some states still ban abortion, even if 'life of the mother' is at risk because of mental health
Most states that ban abortion do allow exceptions for life-threatening emergencies.

Muslim call to prayer broadcast on Astoria, Queens streets
Mosques have been broadcasting the Islamic call to prayer over loudspeakers, with the city's permission.

Update on the case of Fredly Charles, a Massachusetts father at risk of deportation back to Haiti
Charles' lawyer says the end of the case is near.

A look at instances where common mistakes lead to gun violence
20-year old Kaylin Gillis was killed after the car she was in drove up the wrong driveway and the homeowner shot her.

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Amid immigration attorney shortage, Maine tries to help asylum seekers
People seeking asylum in the U.S. need to be able to get legal representation. It greatly increases their chance of winning a case and avoiding deportation.

'Vinylthon' fundraiser kicks off with college radio DJs worldwide spinning vinyl records exclusively
The 8th-annual Vinylthon fundraiser supports the next generation of radio broadcasters.

Uganda's LGBTQ community face anti-gay legislation, other threats
Anti-gay legislation is forcing many into hiding and has left some facing unbearable choices about their future there.

Hyundai, Kia vehicles without theft protections at risk of recall
Thefts of the vehicles have grown because people can easily start the engines without a key.

Melting ice sheets to blame for injured right whales

For several years, endangered North Atlantic right whales were injured in waters where they weren't expected.

Latest on abortion drug, Sen. Feinstein and the debt ceiling
The Supreme Court has until midnight on Friday to take action on the common abortion medication mifepristone.

'Star Trek: Picard' wraps its third and final season Paramount TV+
Paramount TV+ built "Star Trek: Picard" around the beloved Star Trek character Jean-Luc Picard.

How one company is serving up tax-free bagels with cream cheese
To sidestep the sandwich tax in New York, a bagel company teamed up with Philadelphia cream cheese to make a bagel injected with cream cheese — since it only counts...

Will record-breaking snowpack help Utah's vanishing Great Salt Lake?
According to a recent report, the Great Salt Lake could dry up in five years.

Guy Ritchie's 'The Covenant': A review
An American soldier struggles to help an Afghani interpreter who saved his life in Guy Ritchie's "The Covenant."

More audio released after McCurtain County officials were caught making racist, violent remarks
In McCurtain County, Oklahoma, a county commissioner who was caught on tape talking about lynching Black people and killing journalists has resigned.

Goodbye BuzzFeed News: Reflecting on the end of an internet era
Through the 2010s, BuzzFeed News was a force on the internet that produced journalism with real impact. But after more than a decade, the outlet is closing its doors.

Life expectancy improves for Black people who live near Black doctors, new study finds
Advocates working to address racial health disparities call the study about Black physicians "groundbreaking" and "a wakeup call."

States stockpile mifepristone as nation awaits Supreme Court ruling on abortion pill
The U.S. Supreme Court is expected to make a decision today on whether the pill mifepristone, commonly used in medication abortions, will remain available.

Monday, April 24, 2023

With high death rates and low life expectancy, American mortality rates fall far behind peers
An infant is nearly twice as likely to die in the U.S. than in a peer nation, and that rate only gets worse through to the 30s.

Shrimp boat captain from Texas wins international Goldman Environmental Prize
Diane Wilson noticed problems in the water and started a nearly four-decade fight to get a local chemical company, Formosa, to stop dumping harmful plastics in the water. She won...

Declining housing affordability keeps real estate market unbalanced
The continued low inventory and lack of affordable homes have kept the residential market unbalanced.

NYC could outlaw weight discrimination in housing, workplace: Activist explains what it could mean
Organizations like the National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance support the move for equal protection for all body types.

Tucker Carlson to leave Fox News
The company released this statement Monday: "FOX News Media and Tucker Carlson have agreed to part ways. We thank him for his service to the network as a host and...

Why 'Ike Dike' won't do much to stop Houston from flooding
It will be the largest project ever undertaken by the Army Corps of Engineers.

An Iowa woman is trying to get her husband out of Sudan
Her husband had traveled there for a family funeral this month, just before fighting broke out between rival generals.

Why the NAACP says new laws in Jackson, Mississippi, represent a 'state takeover'
Governor Tate Reeves signed new laws that expand the power of state law enforcement on Friday.

The Zeen wheelchair-walker hybrid allows users to 'get up and go'
The Zeen was created by Garrett Brown, an inventor whose Steadicam system revolutionized the film industry decades ago.

Can you pull yourself up by your own bootstraps?: 'Bootstrapped' debunks American dream myth
Author Alissa Quart says the idea of the self-made person is fiction.

Thomas Friedman weighs in on Tucker Carlson, the Supreme Court, China
The majority of Americans disagree with judges who tried to overturn the Food and Drug Administration's approval of the medical abortion pill mifepristone.

In Dadeville, Alabama, memorial service remembers 18-year-old Phil Dowdell
One of the victims — Philstavious "Phil" Dowdell— will be remembered at a memorial service at Dadeville High School on Monday. He was 18.

How Biden's 2024 campaign would contrast 2020
President Biden is reportedly ready to announce his reelection bid.

Pittsburgh Rabbi reflects on start of antisemitic shooting trial
Jury selection begins Monday in the trial over the deadliest antisemitic attack in U.S. history.

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Leaked documents show Afghanistan has become staging ground for terrorists, Washington Post reports

The news comes less than two years after the U.S. pulled troops out of the country.

Bed, Bath & buh-bye! Bed, Bath & Beyond has filed for bankruptcy

The big box retailer wasn't always circling the drain. In fact, for many years, the store was a homeware giant.

How does racism 'weather' the body? Researcher who coined the term explains

In 1990, public health researcher Arline Geronimus was excoriated and shunned from the medical community after presenting her research on health outcomes for babies born to Black mothers.

President Biden officially announces 2024 reelection bid

President Biden made his 2024 run for reelection official Tuesday morning with a campaign video.

Minnesota weighs expanding state health insurance to all residents

Minnesota farmer Cindy VanDerPol has struggled to afford the cost of breast cancer treatment.

Does a Grammy win change an artist's music?

Successful artists are creative by nature, but validation can also be a powerful motivator.

'Like, Literally, Dude': Linguist makes the case for why 'uhs' and 'likes' belong in our language

Author Valerie Fridland dives into the history of abused speech mannerisms like "ums" — and discovers that they have much more value than we think.

How ChatGPT could help — and hurt — high school students

A California high school teacher assigned an essay to his class. He then ran the papers through OpenGPT and discovered that more than half the class had used ChatGPT to...

Harry Belafonte dies at 96: Remembering the musician, actor and civil rights activist

Harry Belafonte broke racial barriers and balanced his activism with his artistry in ways that made people around the world listen.

To grow or not to grow milkweed? It depends what city you live in

Common milkweed is an essential plant for monarch butterflies. But some towns and cities have banned the plant, sometimes in conflict with state and county policies promoting milkweed.

Trump continues to garner GOP support for president — even if convicted of a crime, poll shows

Former President Donald Trump is still the Republican party's frontrunner, despite facing multiple criminal investigations.

Sudan war generals agree to 72-hour ceasefire as countries scramble to evacuate their nationals

Warring factions have been fighting inside Sudan for more than a week, leading to a humanitarian crisis.

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

How should you talk about mental health in the workplace?

Talking about mental health at work seems less taboo than ever before.

Amid book bans that target LGBTQ literature, transgender authors continue to tell their own stories
These books were written by transgender authors or address transgender topics.

First Republic Bank shares fell again, and investors are concerned

The bank reported it lost more customer deposits than expected during the banking tumult in March,
and investors are concerned.

Black American English often informs standard American English

Black American English is constantly informing the evolution of standard American English.

Melting snow could cause major flooding in Rocky Mountain states

Near-record snowpack in the mountains threatens to test larger-scale flood controls.

Former Tucker Carlson producer files lawsuits against Fox News

Former producer Abby Grossberg alleges the network was hostile to female employees.

Chinese President Xi Jinping calls Ukraine's Zelenskyy for first time since war started

The call comes after it comes after Xi spent days in Russia, meeting with Vladimir Putin.

Study finds melatonin supplements vary in actual dosage compared to what's advertised

A new study found that melatonin gummies may contain up to three times more melatonin than
advertised due to little FDA oversight.

In 'Going Up,' comedian Sara Schaefer pulls back the curtain on what goes into making comedy

The show is run as a mock seminar on how to be a comedian.

American synagogues reconsider prayer for Israel

At many synagogues, a prayer for the state of Israel is said across the U.S. every sabbath. But with the
Israeli government's recent actions, some American congregations are reconsidering it.

A Texas prisoners' hunger strike didn't bring the change they'd hoped. Inmates plan to strike again

Dozens of incarcerated men in Texas went on a weeks-long hunger strike earlier this year, protesting
indefinite solitary confinement and poor conditions.

EPA set to impose strict new rules on power plants

These new regulations could force existing power plants to rely on new technologies like carbon
capture and hydrogen.

Chinese journalist Dong Yuyu faces espionage charges as China tightens control over media

Dong Yuyu — a writer known for his reformist ideas — was seized in February of last year after
having lunch with a Japanese diplomat.

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House planning to vote on McCarthy's debt ceiling plan
Democrats oppose the plan, and some Republicans say it doesn't go far enough.

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Judge rules on detention for intelligence leaker Jack Teixeira
Massachusetts Air National Guard member Jack Teixeira is accused of posting classified documents he had access to at work on a chat room on the social media platform Discord.

SpaceX Starship explosion is under investigation
Researchers are exploring the health and environmental impacts that may have occurred as a result of the explosion.

Investor argues ESG investing is about measuring risk, not politics
There's a new target in the culture wars: Banks and other financial companies conservatives slam as "woke."

Looking for an Afrofuturist book? There's a vending machine for that
The owner of the online bookstore Sistah SciFi has rolled out vending machines that contain books by Black and Indigenous science fiction and fantasy authors, most of whom are women.

How a parole violation sent Jacob Wideman back to prison — possibly for life
Six months after Jacob Wideman was released from prison on home arrest, his parole officer told the parole board that Jake was doing well. Soon after that routine check-in hearing...

Disney is taking DeSantis to court: Company sues over 'targeted campaign of government retaliation'
The company filed a lawsuit over Desantis' attempts to takeover its theme park district, which it has self-governed since the 1960s.

Sen. Dick Durbin on debt ceiling, Supreme Court ethics
This week, Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts declined an invitation from Durbin to testify before a Senate panel on Supreme Court ethics.

The Bucks are out and the NFL draft is on: The latest in sports
The Milwaukee Bucks are out of the NBA playoffs.

400 years after Shakespeare's first folio publication, Folger Library to display all 82 owned copies
Shakespeare's first folio was published 400 years ago. If not for this collection, we wouldn't have 18 of his plays, including "Julius Caesar," "Macbeth" and "Twelfth Night."

Pentagon documents leak suspect in court
Experts say it will be hard to find a single solution that can prevent a bad actor from leaking classified documents.

'Trust the Plan' explores influence and absurdity of QAnon, from satanic Democrats to Trump as a god

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QAnon, the once-fringe conspiracy group, gained millions of supporters in the U.S. and abroad over the last 5 years.

Assault weapon sales banned in Washington state

Gun safety groups hail the restrictions, but gun rights advocates call it "virtue signaling" doomed to fail at the Supreme Court.

Debt ceiling bill passed by House Republicans has 'zero chance' in Senate. What's next?

The measure raises the debt limit through next year, slashes future spending and guts several key Biden administration agenda items such as student loan forgiveness and climate change.

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Comic Roy Wood Jr. has come a long way since early stand-up

Roy Wood Jr., is having a moment, from guest hosting "The Daily Show" to hosting the White House Correspondents' Association annual dinner.

As triple-digit heat sets in, Phoenix races to address downtown homeless encampment

In Metro Phoenix, homelessness has surged 46% since 2019.

How does precision technology factor into farming?

High costs and connectivity issues are barriers to implementation.

Are our pets actually miserable?

Your beloved dog or cat — and most definitely your bird — is miserable living with you.

Debt limit fight and growing 2024 candidate pool dominate week in politics

A federal grand jury is weighing what former Vice President Mike Pence told them in testimony about efforts by former President Donald Trump to overturn the 2020 presidential election results.

New lawsuit over water pollution could change how we fight wildfires

An environmental advocacy group argues that the aerial fire retardant used to combat wildfires is leeching into waterways and causing environmental hazards, such as killing endangered fish and creating toxic...

Jam to new music this Jazz Appreciation Month, from 'Artimacy' host Keanna Faircloth

Turn your speakers up and get down.

Millions of acres of North Carolina's wetlands are thriving

Wetlands protect water quality, prevent floods and serve as habitats for plants and animals. But over the past few centuries, millions of acres of wetlands were drained for development or...

Who is Chinese billionaire Guo Wengui, the Bannon buddy accused of \$1 billion fraud?

While FBI agents were searching Wengui's New York penthouse, it went up in flames.

Fed officials prepare to decide on another rate hike

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The Commerce Department reported that inflation cooled to 4.2% in March over the previous year.

Rep. Jim Clyburn weighs in as Congress remains divided over the debt ceiling
Earlier this week, House Republicans passed a bill that would raise the debt ceiling — but dramatically cut spending. It is unlikely to pass in the Senate, which is controlled...

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LED lights save energy, but could they be bad for humans and wildlife?

More cities across the country are replacing traditional street lights with LEDs. They save energy and provide brighter light.

'A History of the World According to Getty Images' releases striking historical footage

"A History of the World According to Getty Images" details how some of the most striking footage ever shot is hidden away behind paywalls.

Warriors, Lakers and Bruins make sports history, for better or worse

The Boston Bruins got knocked out of the Stanley Cup playoffs in the first round.

Incarcerated people to regain use of federal Pell Grants for the 1st time in nearly 30 years

For nearly three decades, incarcerated people have not been able to access federal Pell Grants to pay for college courses offered in prison. That will change this summer.

France pension reform prompts angriest protests in several years

May Day is a day when labor rights are marked around the world.

Ukraine reels from Russian missile strikes ahead of an anticipated counteroffensive

Friday's deadly strike killed civilians and children in Uman.

What does the collapse of First Republic Bank mean for consumers?

First Republic is the third major bank to fail in 2023.

Most people use AI as a toy, even if it scares them

The Atlantic's Derek Thompson says these time-wasting uses of AI are actually a key piece of any technological development.

'Defending Jacob' author William Landay's new novel explores what happens when a mother vanishes

The novel centers around the disappearance of a Massachusetts mother and its effect on her three children as well as her husband, who is suspected of her murder.

Happy birthday, internet!: Celebrating 30 years of the World Wide Web

On April 30, 1993, the World Wide Web was released into the public domain.

30 years ago, Toni Morrison won the Nobel Prize in Literature
A new exhibition at Princeton University displays of the author's correspondence and early drafts of her novels.

A striking number of Mass. legislators have a financial stake in approving a rent control policy
Boston wants to institute a form of rent control, but they have to get approval from the state legislature to do it since voters banned the policy statewide nearly 30...

Nearly 1000 Americans flee Sudan
Evacuating the country is dangerous, and foreign governments are offering limited support.

What First Republic failure tells us about financial system
First Republic is the third bank to fail this year — and the largest.

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

Tony Award nominations announced
The Tony Awards announced nominations Tuesday.

Microforests' massive impact
Forests are essential for storing carbon dioxide but can take a long time to grow big enough to be effective.

E. Jean Carroll's lawsuit against Trump: The latest
The writer and advice columnist wrapped up her third and final day of testimony Monday.

Gordon Lightfoot, Canadian singer, dies at 84
The singer-songwriter was known for classics such as "If You Could Read My Mind" and "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald."

'Starting From Zero' documentary tells story of Afghan refugees'
When Kabul fell to the Taliban in August of 2021, thousands of Afghans flocked to the airport and tens of thousands more waited in desperation for a chance to flee.

Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on ethics and the U.S. Supreme Court
Tuesday is also the one-year anniversary of the leak of the Supreme Court's Dobbs decision.

Met Gala 2023: How Karl Lagerfeld's controversial legacy showed up on the red carpet
Cat costumes, Chanel brides and a cockroach on the carpet: It's the Met Gala, baby.

'What Happened to You?' teaches kids and parents how to address limb differences
The kids' picture book centers around a little boy who is continually asked why he only has one leg by other kids on the playground.

Vice Media prepares for bankruptcy filing, reports say
You can add another name to the list of media organizations in trouble.

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How these military vets infiltrate domestic extremist groups

Top law enforcement officials say that violent domestic extremist groups are on the rise in America — and they often attempt to recruit military veterans.

Research finds rent control reduces affordability in long run

Economist Rebecca Diamond was part of a study in San Francisco that found that in the long run, rent control drove up rents because it led a number of landlords...

Hollywood writers go on strike for first time in more than 15 years

The Writers Guild of America says Hollywood studios are underpaying writers in the streaming age and aren't providing enough training and opportunities for young writers.

June 1 debt ceiling deadline sparks Biden, Congress to meet next week

On Monday, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen came out with a forecast that says the U.S. could reach its debt limit on June 1 — and without the ability to borrow...

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

Gun violence rates differ across regions

Gun violence and mass shootings are daily events in this country.

'Secret Gate' saved lives during the fall of Afghanistan. A new book tells its story

The book tells the stories of an Afghan women's rights advocate and the American junior diplomat who helps her escape Afghanistan.

Cleveland, Texas, shooting suspect and 5 others arrested

Francisco Oropesa has been on the run since Friday after the shooting in Cleveland, Texas.

Caste discrimination persists in the U.S. How are legislators addressing it?

The Indian government officially abolished the caste system in 1950.

Spring has sprung in upstate New York, and it's prime time for hiking the Adirondacks

Trees and flowers are blooming. Maybe your allergies are back.

King Charles' coronation traditions include 'Stone of Destiny' stolen back by Scots in 1950

Medieval Scottish kings were crowned upon the "Stone of Scone." Since 1308, it has been part of the English king's coronation chair.

In "Borderless," Guatemalan author seeks to correct misconceptions about Central American immigrants

Jennifer De Leon's new young adult novel tells the story of Maya, a young woman growing up in Guatemala, and the circumstances that force her and her mother to attempt...

'ComEd Four' all convicted for bribery tied to former Illinois House speaker

A federal jury just found three ex-lobbyists and a former electric utility CEO guilty of bribery charges.

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Spanish speakers report language-based discrimination during childbirth, report finds
The study also finds that Spanish-speaking women said they're less likely to get pressured to be induced or get C-sections.

The push for Indigenous land acknowledgements at Vanderbilt
Land acknowledgments are common in Australia, but less so here in the U.S.

Cate Blanchett on the Syrian refugee crisis and her roles as a UNHCR goodwill ambassador
Since 2011, more than 14 million Syrians have been forced to leave their homes to escape political violence. And the recent earthquakes in southern Turkey and Syria caused a new...

Debt ceiling debate reminiscent of 2011 political fight
Congress is staring down a June deadline to raise the debt ceiling.

What Biden administration is sending more troops to the border signifies
Immigration watchers say it's a substantial move for the Biden administration to send an additional 1,500 troops to the Southern border ahead of the end of Title 42.

Thursday, May 4, 2023

The gender pay gap for female doctors is deepest for those who are also mothers
A new study finds female doctors get paid significantly less over the course of their careers if they're married and have children compared to male doctors who have children.

'The Great American Baking Show' brings beloved competition across the pond
"The Great American Baking Show" is the U.S. version of "The Great British Bake Off."

What's the truth behind a drone attack on the Kremlin?
Russia launched more strikes on Ukraine overnight in retaliation.

What options remain for Jacob Wideman?
In the final episode of Violation, we return to thorny dilemmas about the criminal justice system: When someone commits a terrible crime, as Jake did, is there anything they can...

Hollywood writers' strike continues: One TV writer shares his experiences
It's day three of the strike, with members of the Writers Guild of America asking studios for better pay in the streaming era.

Banking sector wobbles again as another regional bank sees stocks plummet
PacWest, a smaller regional bank, saw its stock fall by more than half early Thursday morning.

Tea time: A feast fit for a king or queen, just in time for coronation
Quiche kind of peaked in the U.S. in the late 1970's, so it may not strike you as a particularly trendy or interesting recipe. But quiche is solid and always...

How important is Gen Z's vote?

Republican Joe Mitchell and Democrat Teddy Landis talk about what they think fellow 20-something voters want to hear on issues such as abortion and gun control.

Proud Boys members found guilty of seditious conspiracy for role in Jan. 6 insurrection

Four members of the far-right group known as the Proud Boys have been convicted.

How White Castle transformed America's burger craze and fast food culture

Just over a century ago, America's first fast-food chain opened its doors.

How a small Nevada company is making millions on water

"Water brokers" are profiting off of the Western water crisis.

Why the war in Tigray could be 2022's deadliest conflict

As many as 600,000 civilians alone may have died in the last two years of the conflict.

Judicial ethics expert on Harlan Crow's private school payments for Clarence Thomas' relative

New reporting from ProPublica found that billionaire Republican donor Harlan Crow paid private school tuition for Justice Thomas's grand-nephew.

Friday, May 5, 2023

How to talk to kids about homelessness

Some parents and teachers in Portland, Oregon are trying to have honest conversations with their kids about homelessness.

Secret Chinese police stations are a worldwide problem

Federal officials in New York indicted two U.S. citizens from China last month and accused them of operating a secret Chinese police station in Manhattan.

What to expect from the 149th running of the Kentucky Derby

Four race horses have died in the leadup to the race, including one qualifier for Saturday's Derby.

More ethics questions for Justice Thomas, as debt and immigration deadlines loom

It's unclear what will happen next week, both at the southern border and in Congress.

The coronation of King Charles III to take place in the UK

The event — at Westminster Abbey in central London — will be watched by a star-studded audience and hundreds of millions of expected global viewers.

How calculus inspires National Teacher of the Year to find the good in hard times

High school teacher Rebecka Peterson recognizes that it's rare for students to be taught by a biracial, bilingual female in mathematics.

What to take away from Zelenskyy's interview with the Washington Post

Zelenskyy said he never got a heads-up from the White House or the Pentagon about leaked documents that included a number of revelations about Ukraine's military capabilities and plans

Ahead of King Charles III's coronation, many Brits are unhappy
While thousands of people are likely to turn out and watch, not everyone is a fan of the monarchy.

Chaka Khan, Kate Bush and George Michael are among the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame 2023 inductees
The list includes the rock band Rage Against the Machine, country singer Willie Nelson and guitarist Link Wray.

Investigation looks at mental health care for incarcerated people in North Carolina
Half of the prison population, who are deemed incapable to stand trial, end up waiting longer than 300 days, according to a year-long investigation by WFAE in Charlotte

Tijuana officials wonder what will happen on May 11 when Title 42 is lifted
Officials at the Tijuana border say they don't know how the U.S. is planning to process the roughly 16,000 people waiting to enter the United States there.

Proud Boys movement may grow after leader's conviction
Proud Boys leader Enrique Tarrio and three other members of the far-right extremist group were found guilty of plotting the Jan. 6 insurrection on the U.S. Capitol.

Monday, May 8, 2023

How a man trapped in Sudan made it home to Cedar Rapids
Mohamed Ahmed has finally made it home after evacuating Sudan. He was unable to return to the U.S. after fierce fighting started in Khartoum on April 15.

A Day Without Child Care: Daycares plan to close for protests Monday
More than 700 child care providers are shutting down for the day in at least 20 states.

Economy rebounds after a tough week, but experts urge caution
April's job report showed more than 253,000 jobs were added, soundly beating expectations.

Colorado River states learn to live with less
Aquifers are disappearing, reservoirs are at an all-time low and cities are stretching their water supply as farmers struggle to get by on less and less water.

Spending cuts proposed by GOP would severely impact families
The plan, called the "Limit, Save, Grow Act," would lift the debt limit by \$1.5 trillion and is the Republican Party's plan to avert a catastrophic default on the U.S.'s...

Driver kills 8 people at bus stop outside migrant shelter in Brownsville, Texas
Police say it's not clear if the event was intentional.

Simone Leigh's historic installations arrive on American shores

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Simone Leigh made history as the first Black woman to represent the U.S. at last year's Venice Biennale. Now, that art is in the U.S. for the very first time.

Are we witnessing the end of a digital media era? Author Ben Smith thinks so
Ben Smith is the former editor-in-chief of BuzzFeed News and the author of the new book "Traffic: Genius, Rivalry, and Delusion in the Billion-Dollar Race To Go Viral."

Remembering Father Kevin Mullan, who built bridges between Catholics and Protestants
The Reverend Kevin Mullan died on Saturday in Northern Ireland after a long illness.

Will civil rights prevail in Chester, Pennsylvania's bankruptcy plan?
Legal experts say people with judgments and settlements against the city will likely be left with little or no remittance.

How people with disabilities feel about Biden's executive order aimed at improving long-term care
The order seeks to increase the numbers and support for the people who provide care for seniors and people with disabilities enrolled in Medicaid.

Virtual border wall between U.S. and Mexico creates privacy and safety concerns
The federal government has invested millions in surveillance technology along the southern border whose aim is to keep migrants and drug smugglers out of the U.S.

Biden to meet with congressional leaders to discuss debt ceiling deal
Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen warned last week that if the debt ceiling isn't raised so the U.S. can continue to borrow money, the country might run out of money to...

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Jury finds Trump liable for battery, defamation in E. Jean Carroll case
Carroll was awarded a total of \$5 million in damages.

What makes child care providers awesome: Parents share their appreciation
Preschool teachers, as well as daycare providers and nannies, don't always get the recognition, respect or pay that K-12 educators receive.

'Patina Modern' book helps redefine how to use our living spaces and what to put into them
Much has changed since COVID-19 arrived in 2020, including how we use our homes. After quarantining in them, working in them, and home-schooling in them, many people decided they needed...

Airline regulation proposals would benefit stranded passengers
The Biden administration is proposing regulations that would require airlines to compensate stranded passengers when the carrier is at fault for the canceled flight.

'My Father's Brain' memoir explores the effect of Alzheimer's disease

The book intertwines information about the disease and how it's treated with Sandeep Jauhar's own story of coping when his father developed Alzheimer's.

Victory Day for Russia and other Soviet states looks different in Ukraine this year
Ukraine, which historically celebrated the victory against Nazism with Russia on this day, is moving to switch its celebration of this anniversary to May 8.

Debt ceiling negotiator warns of 'most dangerous time in U.S. history' to make a deal
The current debt ceiling debate is reminiscent of 2011 negotiations.

Inside an AP African American Studies course
The College Board will soon release an updated framework for the highly criticized AP African American Studies course.

No Mow May movement says take the month off mowing to bring back the birds and bees
Proponents of the movement are urging homeowners not to mow those lawns for the month, to preserve and create habitat for birds, butterflies and bees that pollinate our plants.

The 2020 census may have undercounted a huge swath of U.S. residents
The Census Bureau says a large share of non-U.S. citizens may have been missed in the 2020 tally of the country's residents.

This obesity drug is on the fast track for FDA approval
Tirzepatide has been shown to help users lose more than a fifth of their body weight.

Did Title 42 lead border crossings to increase?
The Libertarian Cato Institute argues that it actually led to more border crossings, which is counterintuitive.

Texas House advances bill raising age to buy semi-automatic rifles: Uvalde parent weighs in
The bill would raise the minimum age to buy certain semi-automatic rifles from 18 to 21.

Biden and House Speaker McCarthy to meet at White House on debt ceiling
In just over three weeks, the government is expected to run out of money to pay its bills if the debt ceiling isn't raised.

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

The most endangered places in America include a gas station, church and cemetery
For the last 36 years, the National Trust for Historic Preservation asks the public to nominate places in danger of being torn down.

Whaling logs from centuries ago offer new insight into climate change
Sailors were also prodigious writers, trackers and data seekers, logging every current, temperature fluctuation, wind gust and raindrop.

Breast cancer screening should begin at age 40, federal health panel says
A federal panel says breast cancer screening should begin a decade earlier than previously recommended.

George Santos in custody, facing 13 federal charges
He is charged with seven counts of wire fraud, three counts of money laundering, two counts of making materially false statements to the House of Representatives and one count of...

Golijov's 'Falling Out of Time' symphony grapples with grief, pain and acceptance
Starting in 2017, musician and composer Osvaldo Golijov began writing a musical interpretation and first performed it in 2019 on a small stage with the Silk Road Ensemble.

Debt ceiling negotiations expected to 'go right up the wire'
The U.S. Treasury is slated to run out of money starting next month.

Trump found liable for sexual abuse and defamation: What's next?
In 2019, Carroll publicly accused Trump of raping her in a department store dressing room in 1996. Trump denied it and called her a liar, and Carroll sued him for...

How Notre Dame Cathedral looks today amid repairs
Notre Dame Cathedral is set to reopen in December 2024, years after a fire gutted the building.

'Orphan Bachelors' memoir explores the decades-long impact of the Chinese Exclusion Act
Author grew up in San Francisco's Chinatown surrounded by elderly men who were prevented from having families due to America's Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882.

What the 14th Amendment means for the debt limit
Some scholars say the debt limit goes against section 4 of the 14th Amendment, which says the public debt of the U.S. government "shall not be questioned."

CNN faces criticism for hosting voter town hall with Trump in New Hampshire
The event has sparked controversy among many Democrats, student groups and media watchers, who are criticizing the network for giving such a platform to Trump, who has a long record...

What new asylum restrictions mean for migrants at the U.S.-Mexico border after Title 42
The new restrictions will make it easier for the Biden administration to deport some people crossing the southern border after Title 42 ends on Thursday night.

The political implications of the Trump verdict
On Tuesday, a federal jury found former President Donald Trump liable for battery and defamation in a civil case brought by the writer E. Jean Carroll.

Thursday, May 11, 2023

'The Legend of Zelda: Tears of the Kingdom': Nintendo's rocketing success

Nintendo releases its biggest game in years on Friday, the latest in the massively influential "Legend of Zelda" series.

'A Wing and a Prayer' lays out efforts to save birds in danger
Over the past 50 years, one-third of North America's birds have disappeared.

James Webb Space Telescope captures a star and planet in its orbit
What they found was a surprise.

Military spouses often feel overwhelmed and alone. A new pilot program aims to help
These parents face obstacle after obstacle — from struggling to secure a job to finding child care — because they constantly uproot their families as military assignments change.

Pakistan Supreme Court intervenes in Imran Khan arrest
Imran Khan, the former star cricket player and Prime Minister, was ousted just over a year ago. Khan was arrested on corruption charges.

Title 42 expires: A view from both sides of the border in Arizona
Thursday is the last day of Title 42, a pandemic-era rule that the Biden administration has used to quickly expel migrants.

A divided Congress sets the stage for tough negotiations for the new farm bill
This year's farm bill — set to last for five years — is expected to cost some \$709 billion, the most expensive ever.

Haiti's violent 'Bwa Kale' movement provides concern and optimism
"Bwa Kale" is a movement where citizens hunt down and sometimes kill suspected gang members.

COVID-19 public health emergency expires Thursday night. What does that mean?
Infectious disease experts say the virus has entered an endemic phase, and can now be managed with precautions and treatments.

Gauging the reaction to Trump's town hall in New Hampshire
A day after a New York jury found him liable for sexual abuse and defamation, former President Donald Trump took questions from friendly New Hampshire voters.

'A basic human right': Seattle aims to address race disparity in drowning deaths
Children of color face multiple barriers when it comes to learning how to swim — and the impact of those barriers can be fatal.

Asylum seekers share their stories as Title 42 comes to an end: What Biden's new rule means for them
The Biden administration has finalized a rule that would make it much more difficult for most people to claim asylum at the U.S.-Mexico Border, just as the public health order...

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'Of White Ashes' novel explores Japanese-American internment, Hiroshima bombing through fiction
The novel is based on the experiences of author Kent Matsumoto's parents.

MTV News shutdown: What made it so important for young people in the 1990s?
Parent company Paramount announced the news this week as part of a 25% cut in staff.

What Supreme Court fraud rulings mean for prosecuting corruption
The Supreme Court threw out two fraud convictions out of New York on Thursday.

Tesla recalls more than 1 million vehicles in China
This is the second Tesla recall in China this year.

'Omar' opera wins Pulitzer Prize for music
The opera brings to light and life the true story of an enslaved man, Omar Ibn Said.

Border chaos, Trump town hall and debt negotiations: Week in politics
New immigration rules take effect Friday that are aimed at controlling the huge numbers of people seeking asylum along the southern border

'Dear Mama' tells the story of Tupac Shakur and the mother who raised him
The FX docuseries looks at Tupac's life in tandem with his mother, Afeni, who was a member of the Black Panther.

'LEGO Heroes' tells stories of people using LEGO to change the world
Interactive art installations. A wheelchair for a turtle. Games to keep seniors' minds active. These are just three ideas that are part of a new book called "LEGO Heroes: LEGO...

Maryland gun safety law faces new legal challenges
A law in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, that requires gun store owners to put pamphlets about suicide prevention and domestic violence in the boxes of guns and ammunition.

How much water is in the Rocky Mountain snowpack?
It's surprisingly hard to calculate.

One year since Tops grocery store shooting in Buffalo, podcast tells story of local cheerleading gym
The shooting happened just three blocks from BASE, a local cheerleading gym.

Polling is close ahead of Turkey's elections Sunday
Retired civil servant Kemal Kilicdaroglu is running about even in the polls with President Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

Title 42 has expired: The view from a border town mayor
There has been a sharp increase in activity at the border in the weeks leading up to the end of the order — an increase that is straining already overstretched...

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Brandon Johnson will be Chicago's 57th mayor. What are his biggest challenges?

He will immediately need to figure out how to make up for the drastic lack of funding for migrants in Chicago.

'Talk of Champions' memoir from Kenny 'The Jet' Smith tells of the NBA champion's life, inspirations
Kenny "The Jet" Smith won two NBA titles and has been a longtime basketball analyst with TNT's
"Inside Basketball."

Americans are losing confidence in banks and financial system

The poll showing the concern comes after the collapse of three U.S. banks in recent weeks and inflation that continues to climb.

Sheryl Crow to be inducted to Rock and Roll Hall of Fame

Showtime's documentary "Sheryl" offers a retrospective of the musician's life and career.

Turkish presidential elections head to runoff

President Recep Tayyip Erdogan is leading his challenger, retired civil servant Kemal Kilicdaroglu, but neither managed to get more than half the vote

The end of Title 42: Arizona border sheriff on what's happening

For the past three years, Title 42 has allowed U.S. officials to turn away migrants who came to the U.S.-Mexico border on the grounds of preventing the spread of the...

Green steel brings new promise to the Rust Belt

Green steel is manufactured from hydrogen made from renewable energy.

Cereals and ice creams that help you sleep? One sleep expert calls them a 'contradiction in terms'

Research shows that about one in three Americans aren't getting enough sleep — but can cereal, ice cream and chocolate bars promoting better rest help?

Documenting the decline of ash forests

Twenty years ago, an invasive beetle arrived in North America from Asia. In the years that followed, the emerald ash borer decimated many ash forests in 36 states.

The child labor behind your favorite meal

Child labor violations are on the rise — and the food industry is one of the biggest offenders.

Kevin McCarthy faces pressure from Republicans in debt ceiling negotiations

Kevin McCarthy made compromises to become House speaker, and he's especially indebted to the most intransigent factions in his party.

Hotel reopens as temporary home to migrants arriving in New York City

Over the weekend, Mayor Eric Adams announced that the shuttered Roosevelt Hotel will be used as a temporary shelter.

Tuesday, May 16, 2023

Roller derby: Fast-paced, fun and gender inclusive

Gender identity in athletics has become a hot-button issue around the country. At least 20 states have banned transgender students from participating in sports that align with their gender identity.

The ugly side of We Buy Ugly Houses uncovered by new ProPublica report

Investigative journalists at ProPublica have uncovered the company's tactics: To target homeowners in distress and pay below market prices for their homes in order to flip them.

Importance of religion to Americans is declining, new report finds.

For those who do still attend a house of worship, they say they're optimistic about the future.

American household debt passes \$17 trillion

The major areas where Americans have debt are mortgages, auto loans, student loans, retail cards and home equity lines of credit.

Psychiatrist Judith Herman on trauma, justice for survivors and her passion for social justice

When psychiatrist Judith Herman published her book "Trauma and Recovery" in 1992, she turned the world of psychiatry on its head.

Philadelphia Democrats gear up for mayoral primary

The winner could become a major player in the 2024 presidential election.

OpenAI CEO faces questions about ChatGPT, AI in Senate subpanel hearing

Sam Altman, the CEO of OpenAI, creator of ChatGPT is on Capitol Hill Tuesday, testifying in front of the Senate Judiciary Committee's subpanel on technology.

Bisa Butler weaves the Black diaspora together in dynamic, electric-colored quilted portraits

Her pieces meld old and new, past and future, history and hope. She transforms the traditional craft of quilting into a mosaic of fabric creating portraits of Black American history.

NBA Conference Finals begin with Lakers and Nuggets squaring off in the West

The LeBron James-led Los Angeles Lakers are heading to the No. 1-seeded Denver Nuggets.

No Labels centrist political group is sparking concerns about how it's getting on ballot

No Labels is a nonprofit that does not have to disclose its donors.

A progressive party swept Thai elections, but its military-backed government may not let them rule

The Move Forward Party, an opposition party driven by young voters, won the plurality of seats in Thailand's recent elections.

Durham report denounces FBI's 2016 Trump investigation

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Special counsel John Durham issued a report Monday that criticizes the FBI for investigating the 2016 Trump campaign.

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Police say they're being poisoned by fentanyl exposure. But experts say they're just panicking
These “panic attacks” put police themselves and the public at risk.

Audiobooks to keep you company on Memorial Day driving recommended by 'The Stacks' Traci Thomas

The perfect complement to a long drive? A great audiobook.

A patch for peanut allergies: New study shows promising results for toddlers
For kids under the age of 4, there's no protection available for peanut allergies beyond avoidance.

Nnenna and Pierce Freelon album honors ancestors including architectural giant Phil Freelon
Pierce and Nnenna made history last year as the first mother-son pair both nominated for Grammy awards for their music.

Ukraine's Patriot air defense system likely damaged by Russian airstrike
Ukraine employs Patriot defense technology, some of it from the Pentagon.

Kentucky governor primary results set up big challenge for incumbent Democrat Beshear
Kentucky Attorney General Daniel Cameron won the Republican primary for Kentucky governor Tuesday night.

A walking food tour of Los Angeles, guided by chef Kathy Gunst
With more than 4,000 taco trucks and close to 25,000 restaurants across the county, Los Angeles is one of the most exciting, diverse food cities in the country.

Families face human growth hormone shortage
NPR's pharmaceuticals correspondent Sydney Lupkin reports on the shortage of a drug called Norditropin.

Black Twitter moves over to BlueSky
Since Elon Musk took over Twitter, many users have fled the platform. Among those packing their bags and heading out? Members of Black Twitter.

At G7 summit in Hiroshima, nuclear threats high on agenda for Biden
Amid rising nuclear tension around the world, what do nuclear experts want to hear from him?

What would loan default mean for Americans?
We unpack how the default would affect credit, government payments for programs ranging from social security to SNAP benefits, and more.

'We've just decided enough's enough': Women senators on abortion in South Carolina

A bipartisan group of five female South Carolina state senators have banded together to fight the passage of a near-total ban on abortions in a special session that's now underway.

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'Flyover' states get creative to attract more tourism

Tourism directors in Nebraska, Iowa, and Kansas have campaigns to draw attention to their fun — and sometimes quirky — attractions.

Experts and residents watch California snowpack with lasers and nervous eyes as temperatures rise
People in California's Central Valley who are bracing for flooding, a month after a dozen atmospheric rivers dropped all of that snow on the mountains.

Pakistani security forces remain in tense standoff with former Prime Minister Imran Khan
Authorities are threatening to storm his house after the deadline for Khan to hand over “terrorists” officers say he's harboring passed hours ago.

Is AI weapons detection technology the best way to reduce the number of guns in schools?
Security experts and others are sounding the alarm about the system and its limitations that could require controversial patchwork solutions.

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Mifepristone hearing reveals clues about case's future

A panel of three conservative judges at the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans heard arguments Wednesday.

The drawbacks of remote work for young staffers

A new study on remote work called the Power of Proximity indicates more experienced workers can be more productive remotely while newer workers may miss out on learning and feedback...

Barbara Kingsolver's 'Demon Copperhead' brings Charles Dickens to modern-day Appalachia
The book was announced as a co-winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction earlier this month.

It's getting hot in here: Heat levels will break records in the next 5 years, organization predicts
And we may pass a major climate change threshold.

'Love to Love You, Donna Summer' tells the story of the music icon's career and tumultuous life
The film premieres on HBO Saturday.

Tennessee school cancels Mother's Day program focusing on inclusivity, as parents ask 'why?'
Officials at the Alpine Crest Elementary School canceled a program designed by librarian Caroline Mickey to be sensitive to children who might not have a mother.

Turkey's future after the presidential runoff

The Washington Institute's Soner Cagaptay argues this could be the country's last free and fair election if incumbent Recep Tayyip Erdogan wins a third term.

Drug overdose deaths increased by 2% last year. (John Moore/Getty Images)

Drug overdoses in the U.S. slightly increased last year, CDC says

Drug overdose deaths increased by 2% last year.

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The Native American Graves and Repatriation Act moves forward

The University of Alamba is one of the top 10 repatriation efforts.

Galveston, Texas, faces sea level rise

How high does a sea wall need to be? The answer lies in West Antarctica, where scientists are trying to figure out how quickly the ice is melting.

Disney cancels \$1 billion Florida development.

The decision comes amid continued feuding between the company and the state's Gov. and presidential hopeful Ron DeSantis.

Musician and poet Valerie June explores light and dreams in her work

June will be on tour beginning at the end of May.

TV networks reveal fall show lineup amid writers strike

Media executives presented their TV fall season shows this week, in glitzy pitches intended to court advertisers. But the Hollywood writers strike looms large.

How Yellowstone is recovering from flooding as summer approaches

The country's oldest National Park...is still recovering from last spring's flooding that washed out roads and closed the north entrance.

Wildfires continue to rage across western Canada

The entire area is blanketed with smoke and around 12,000 people are currently being evacuated.

Brisket breakdown: The chemistry that transforms this tough cut of meat to juicy deliciousness

Summer is right around the corner — which means it's time to break out that smoker for a good ole' barbecue.

Scientists work on new ways to map Earth's final frontier: the ocean floor

The maps will make it possible to spot and protect sensitive marine habitats, ensure safe navigation for ships and keep people on land safe during a hurricane.

How the fight for migrant rights is playing out in New York

Some communities are resisting efforts by New York City Mayor Eric Adams to bus migrants to their towns.

Prosecutors say Jack Teixeira should be held behind bars as he awaits trial
The Massachusetts Air National Guard member accused of leaking military secrets in an online forum is back in court Friday for a detention hearing.

Ron DeSantis expected to announce a presidential run next week
On Thursday, Disney announced it's pulling a \$1 billion dollar investment out of Florida.

G7 Summit underway in Hiroshima, Japan
The gathering will focus on the war in Ukraine, with that country's President Volodymyr Zelenskyy expected to attend on Sunday.

Monday, May 22, 2023

Gangs in Haiti threaten the future of its children. Soccer is providing an avenue of hope
Youth soccer programs in Haiti are providing opportunities for Haitian youth amid gang violence and recruitment.

ChatGPT is upending academia — and more needs to be done about it
Columbia University sophomore Owen Terry wrote an essay titled "I'm a Student. You Have No Idea How Much We're Using ChatGPT."

Ukrainian President Zelenskyy meets with world leaders as Russia claims Bakhmut
Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy met with allies at the G7 summit in Tokyo, right after meeting with Arab leaders at a summit hosted by Saudi Arabia.

Sen. Tim Scott to announce presidential run
Scott will face off against former President Donald Trump and fellow South Carolinian Nikki Haley.

What the closure of elPeriódico means for journalists in Guatemala
Many say the case is politically motivated after elPeriodio's hard-hitting investigations into government corruption.

The origins of blue jeans
It's hard to imagine a piece of clothing that's more wrapped up in American history and mythology than blue jeans. They were invented 150 years ago this month.

Bridgetown Roti Rashida Holmes is up for James Beard Award
The West Indian pop-up restaurant in Los Angeles serves up

What awaits the class of 2023?
While graduation is an exciting moment for the students and everyone else involved, it is often a moment of nervousness and anxiety about the world that awaits.

Natural burials become more common across the U.S.
For centuries, certain groups have buried the dead without caskets, letting the body naturally decompose. Now, more cemeteries are offering this alternative.

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Veterans funding is at the heart of 2 high-stakes showdowns in Washington
If the U.S. defaults, the Department of Veterans Affairs could be short of cash.

Striking Hollywood writers are on the frontline of a labor fight against AI
What happens in Hollywood could have implications for other industries, too, as the proliferation of AI threatens to upend all kinds of industries.

A24's 'You Hurt My Feelings' asks, how much truth do you owe the one you love?
The film centers around a couple whose marriage is in crisis after the wife discovers her husband has been lying to her about liking her latest book.

WNBA season tips off: Brittney Griner makes emotional return
The star player returned to the Phoenix Mercury after enduring a harrowing stay in Russian detention.

Checking in on operations at the U.S.-Mexico border following the end of Title 42
After Title 42 ended earlier this month, the process of seeking asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border has become a bit more complicated.

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

West Virginia race could determine which party controls the Senate
With Democrats currently controlling the Senate with a slim majority, the Senate race in West Virginia could determine which party has control of the chamber following the 2024 election results.

Remembering Martin Amis, British novelist, literary heir, and pointed critic of Trump
Amis has died at 73.

Spring real estate market hits a slump
Homeowners don't want to sell and give up their cheap mortgages and buyers feel sidelined by high interest rates.

Disney's plans to shake up ESPN take shape
Disney is pulling together plans to create an ESPN streaming subscription service that would seriously shake up the already vulnerable cable TV network system.

Climate change is here, but your child likely isn't learning much about it at school
More than half of adults see climate change as a major threat to the country's well-being. But most states don't require kids to learn about it in school.

Tik Tok sues Montana to block the state ban
Montana last week passed a law banning anyone in the state from using Tik Tok, which is owned by the Chinese company ByteDance.

Spending caps, work requirements, among sticking points in debt ceiling fight

President Biden and House Speaker Kevin McCarthy emerged from Monday's meeting yet again with no deal, though McCarthy called the meeting "productive."

How a baby's early experiences can shape their health later in life
Researchers are learning more about how these early influences can impact a child's immune, metabolic, and cardiovascular systems as they get older.

In 'Our Migrant Souls,' author Héctor Tobar explores myths and truths of what it means to be Latino
In the book, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author tells the stories he's heard as well as his own.

WNBA tips off: Favorites, storylines, Brittney Griner and expansion
While it is too early to predict a final, two clear favorites have risen above the rest: reigning champions the Las Vegas Aces and a newly retooled New York Liberty,...

When it comes to planting trees, diversity is key
When communities plant only one type of tree, say maples or elms, it makes them vulnerable to pest infestations which, in turn, can lead to huge economic losses.

How Sen. Manchin could ruin Biden's chances at reelection
Democratic Sen. Joe Manchin hasn't yet announced that he's running for president in 2024, but he seems to be testing out the idea.

'Stakes were high' in Colorado River deal, Arizona water negotiator says
The temporary deal will restrict the use of Colorado River water while Western states come up with a longer-term plan to share the river's limited water amid a historic drought.

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

Tina Turner — 'Queen of Rock 'n' Roll' — dies at 83
Turner was the lead singer of the Ike & Tina Turner Revue before launching a successful career as a solo performer.

Black Americans suffer millions more premature deaths than white Americans
Black Americans endured over 1.6 million more excess deaths in the last two decades compared to white Americans.

Uvalde pastors reflect on 1 year since school shooting at Robb Elementary
It's been one year since a gunman killed 19 children and two teachers at the Robb Elementary school. The shooting left 17 others injured.

How many Kyles does it take to beat a world record?
The gathering of Kyles was hoping to beat the 2017 Guinness World Record set by a group of more than 2,000 Ivans.

In Uvalde, plans to build a new school 1 year after Robb Elementary shooting
It's been a year of grief and loss for the Uvalde community, but people are also trying to move forward.

Super Typhoon Mawar devastates Guam
The island suffered a direct hit from Super Typhoon Mawar.

Americans on guns: New poll shows priority to prevent violence over protecting rights
Six in 10 Americans say controlling gun violence is more important than protecting gun rights.

Osage Nation who worked on 'Killers of the Flower Moon' attend Cannes
Martin Scorsese's latest film, "Killers of the Flower Moon," just premiered at Cannes — and with it was a delegation from the Osage Nation who had worked and consulted on...

India is the world's largest democracy — but it isn't a healthy one, journalist Rana Ayyub argues
Rana Ayyub — a longtime critic of India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi — says the government's systematic oppression of the country's Muslim minority is reaching new heights and eroding democracy.

What to expect from Memorial Day travel
After a disastrous summer for the travel industry last year, many are left wondering what to expect for Memorial Day weekend and the season ahead.

What barriers do Black women face in seeking Senate seats?
There have only ever been two Black women in the U.S. Senate. That could change if Dianne Feinstein steps down.

1 year after Uvalde, questions remain about why the police responded so slowly
An 18-year-old gunman killed 19 children and two teachers at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas, last year.

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis to announce his run for president on Twitter with Elon Musk
DeSantis is expected to announce his run for President of the United States via Twitter on Wednesday evening.

Rep. Maria Elvira Salazar on bipartisan immigration bill
The bill includes funding for more border security and creates a pathway to citizenship for some migrants in the country without documentation.

Thursday, May 25, 2023

Apps that offer fast cash could soon be regulated in California
The apps are nothing more than predatory loan practices packaged into a new, fancy app, experts say.

How one Tina Turner superfan will cherish her legacy
Tina Turner was a true icon in every sense of the word.

Some antibiotics could reduce the risk of sexually transmitted infections
One in five Americans has a sexually transmitted infection.

Debt ceiling negotiators have made little progress
How do Democrats and Republicans in Congress feel about their leaders at this moment?

'American Genocide' podcast tells of Native American boarding schools
The schools, most operated by the Catholic Church and U.S. government, were part of a large effort that began in the 19th century to assimilate Native children.

3 years since George Floyd's death: Is there any lasting change to policing?
A Minneapolis police officer killed George Floyd on the street.

Supreme Court sides against EPA in wetlands case
The case determined what constitutes a wetland.

Remembering rock legend Tina Turner
Tina Turner died after a long illness at home near Zurich, Switzerland. She was 83.

The push for more girls to play competitive chess
A few years ago, two public school students started Queens United Chess to introduce the game to more girls.

Republicans push for more work requirements in debt ceiling negotiations
Republicans are calling for stricter work requirements on some social safety net programs, including the program that helps people get food on the table.

How testing wastewater for drugs could help prevent overdoses
Some public health officials are using lessons from the pandemic to try to track illicit drugs in the wastewater.

Race in American politics: 2 big thinkers urge politicians to step it up
In a very provocative moment, Republican Tim Scott — the only Black Republican in the U.S. Senate — declared that the U.S. is not a racist country.

Target and other companies pull back on support for the LGBTQ community amidst right-wing threats
In a statement, the company says it received threats that made employees feel unsafe.

What to know about paramilitary attacks in western Russia
A Ukrainian presidential advisor has denied that Ukraine played any role in these attacks — but it's not clear how they got some of their equipment and other assistance.

Friday, May 26, 2023

'Succession,' 'Barry' and 'Ted Lasso' Season 3 end
We discuss what the show endings mean amid a writer's strike.

Warnings about the power of artificial intelligence from the 'godfather of AI'

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The machines are getting smarter and faster. There are not enough guardrails to control the technology.

Biden names new Joint Chiefs chairman

President Biden has selected Air Force Gen. CQ Brown to be the next chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff — the most senior member of the U.S. military.

Nvidia stock is going up amidst the AI boom

The video game chipmaker has a near trillion-dollar valuation.

'Beethoven in Beijing' tells of Philadelphia Orchestra's trip to China

The orchestra went to China at a time when Western music was banned there.

How George Floyd's death at the hands of police changed our politics

Elected leaders are marking three years since the death of George Floyd

Foreign aid to fight climate change is falling short. Do we need to change the model?

At a United Nations event this week, private funders pledged nearly \$2.5 billion in climate change aid for Somalia, Ethiopia and Kenya. While that boost is welcome, it fell short...

Zelenskyy tells graduates to treasure the most valuable resource: time

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky appeared virtually to deliver their commencement address to graduates at John Hopkins University.

Sea urchins in the Caribbean are dying. A student helped identify why

In just a matter of months, University of South Florida microbiologist Mya Breitbart and her student Isabella Ritchie helped an international team figure out what's behind a population decline: a...

French Open begins on Sunday: What to expect

Reigning and 14-time champion Rafael Nadal is missing with an injury. On the women's side, there are three clear favorites — the reigning Grand Slam champions Iga Swiatek, Aryna Sabalenka...

Washington Post investigation finds how surveillance cameras are being used in public housing

In some cases, residents are being evicted for minor violations caught on camera.

Talk about racism in soccer reignites after Spanish fans chant racist abuse at Real Madrid star

This Sunday in Spain, fans hurled racist abuse at Real Madrid star Vinícius Junior. It's not the first time Black players have dealt with racism in European soccer.

How officials in Maricopa County, Arizona, are mitigating heat to prevent deaths

Last year, a record number of people died from heat-related causes in Maricopa County.

New poll: Majority of California voters think Sen. Feinstein is no longer fit to serve in office

Prominent figures like Hillary Clinton have said Feinstein shouldn't resign — but that poll also suggests a majority of California Democrats disagree

Monday, May 29, 2023

Remembering Mahatma Gandhi's grandson, Arun Gandhi

Arun Gandhi came to accept and champion his grandfather's message of nonviolence.

'Riverman' chronicles the life of American river nomad Dick Conant

Dick Conant continually canoed rivers across America before mysteriously disappearing in 2014.

The Boston Celtics made an incredible comeback, but can they make history and win it all?

The Boston Celtics are poised to make history and become the first NBA team to overcome a 0-3 deficit.

Montford Point Marine shares his history and experience with racial segregation

At 95 years old, one retired Marine Corps member is helping spread the word that there are thousands of others like him who came up through Camp Montford Point and...

Turkey election: What Erdoğan's presidential reelection means for the country

There was a runoff election in Turkey to determine the results.

Biden administration official on debt deal

Tip prompts for nontraditional businesses are giving consumers pause before spending

Recently, shoppers have been encountering more requests to tip businesses they never expected.

At the box office, Memorial Day kicks off a summer of sequels and a few gems

Memorial Day is the traditional start of the summer movie season.

Native American tribes struggle to fund environmental research

Tribal governments manage significant wildlife habitats across the U.S., but they don't get the same tax revenue as states for conservation.

'Team Rubicon' documentary series spotlights veteran volunteers in global disaster zones

The mostly-veteran operation started in 2010 when a former marine and some buddies decided to go to Haiti to help rebuild in the aftermath of that country's earthquake. It's since...

Texas attorney general suspended from office as he awaits impeachment trial

The Republican-controlled Texas House of Representatives to impeach Republican state Attorney General Ken Paxton for illegal activities involving a political donor.

Key takeaways from the Biden-McCarthy deal on the debt ceiling

The deal will raise the federal debt limit and fund the government for the next two years.

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

1st-time authors in their 80s say it's never too late to publish a book

In most ways, it was an event like many held at the independent bookshop. But there were exceptions, like holding the event on the main floor so the authors and...

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What is the Wagner Group?

We look into the origins of the Wagner Group mercenaries and their growing role in Ukraine and around the world.

A growing number of high school graduates are choosing workforce over college

High school graduates are donning their caps and gowns and setting off on the next stage of their lives.

Andy Cohen's book 'The Daddy Diaries' chronicles the drama and humor of parenting

Many know author and TV personality Andy Cohen from his New Year's Eve specials with Anderson Cooper, or his guest appearances on the "Today" show, "The View" or "Live! With...

Who is affected most by the potential debt ceiling deal?

The proposal calls for spending cuts.

Debt ceiling deal to go before House Rules Committee

A House vote is expected Wednesday.

'Gente Funny' showcases Latinx experience with a smile in D.C.

Founder Angelo Colina, is showcasing the bicultural and bilingual experiences of Latinos in the U.S. while breaking stereotypes about Latinx comedy.

Zhuqing Li tells the story of sisters divided by China's civil war

"Daughters of the Flower Fragrant Garden" follows Zhuqing Li's two half-aunts who were separated for three decades when one was stranded on an island that was claimed by China's Nationalists,...

Forecast for Atlantic hurricane 2023 season is 'normal' — but that still means dangerous

The head of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said the agency is predicting a "near normal" 2023 Atlantic Hurricane Season. But "normal" does not mean "good."

What we can learn from past failures on immigration reform?

We've been following efforts by two congresswomen who recently introduced a bipartisan bill to reform the country's immigration system. The plan comes after decades of failure to address immigration in...

Miami Heat beats Boston Celtics and advances to NBA Finals

The Heat will play the Denver Nuggets in the NBA Finals.

Iowa officials plan to demolish 6-story apartment building that collapsed

Officials say the building is a total loss.

Debt ceiling deal 'could have been worse' for Democrats, budget negotiator says

Veteran budget negotiators Thomas Kahn and Neil Bradley about what Democrats and Republicans might gain from the tentative debt and spending deal that comes up for a key vote in...

Wednesday, May 31, 2023

Why the life expectancy gap between two Boston neighborhoods is so stark

In cities across the country, the neighborhood you live in can greatly determine your life expectancy.

Increased suicide among farmers attributed to financial, climate and lifestyle issues

Clergy in affected regions, including North and South Dakota and Minnesota, are taking notice, and stepping in to help.

Pittsburgh synagogue shooter on trial for 2018 killings

The shooter is accused of killing 11 Jewish worshippers in October 2018.

'Blue Ribbon Kitchen': Recipes for one Appalachian grandmother's award-winning dishes

Linda Skeens won 25 blue ribbons at the Virginia-Kentucky District Fair. Now, Skeens has released her cookbook, filled with recipes, tips and descriptions of her life in Appalachia.

Texas passes measures to increase election oversight in Harris County

Two controversial voting bills are headed to Republican Gov. Greg Abbott's desk for his signature after being passed by the legislature.

Debt ceiling deal comes up for vote in House

Conservative critics of a bipartisan compromise deal to reduce federal debt and spending are expected to make their voices heard Wednesday night.

Recycling may not be the answer to reducing our plastic waste

A recent study of one recycling plant found that the plastic recycling process creates microplastics that contaminate the air and water.

'A History of Burning' author taps into family history to create Indo-Ugandan saga

The book follows four generations of a family who settles in Uganda in the early 20th century but is forced to leave when Ugandan dictator Idi Amin orders the expulsion...

An essay for parents of 'Swifties' attending Taylor Swift's Eras Tour

Taylor Swift has kicked off her much-anticipated tour running through the spring and summer. One parent describes the euphoria of attending a concert with a group of her daughter's friends...

Spy whale resurfaces near Sweden: The long history of spy animals

Hvaldimir, the alleged Russian spy, has resurfaced in the waters of Sweden. While that sounds ominous it's where he is meant to be: Hvaldimir is a beluga whale.

Why doctors say Texas bill that would wean trans youth off of gender-affirming meds is a bad idea

The state passed a bill earlier this month that would prohibit doctors from providing surgeries and essential medication for transgender youth.

Weather forecasting is improving — but is it enough to prevent deaths?

The National Hurricane Center says better modeling now allows meteorologists to extend forecasts from five to seven days.

Drone strikes in Moscow and Kyiv mark new escalation in Russia's war against Ukraine
The strikes targeted residential buildings.

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Thursday, June 1, 2023

How to make the most of this summer travel season

Data from the Transportation Security Administration shows nearly 9.8 million traveled Memorial Day weekend.

CNN's Nima Elbagir on evacuating her parents from Sudan

Nearly 1.4 million people have been displaced, according to the United Nations.

Birthrates declined in the U.S. last year, CDC finds

Data shows fewer babies were born in the U.S. in 2022 compared to the year before.

Tony-nominated Audra McDonald on her powerhouse role in Broadway's 'Ohio State Murders'

This marks McDonald's 10th nomination.

A eulogy for a Ohio town's coal-fired power plant

The Conesville coal-fired power plant in the town of Coshocton in Eastern Ohio provided electricity for 2 million homes and was the backbone of the community.

Texas judge hears DACA challenge: A recipient weighs in

The future of DACA is still up in the air.

Grill up a little something for everyone to kick off the summer season

Here are three new recipes as well as tips for getting everything on the grill cooked to perfection.

'We're trapped': Mobile homeowners faced with higher rent, fewer services, no other housing options

The stakes are high for 20 million Americans who live in more than 43,000 mobile home parks.

NBA finals between Miami Heat and Denver Nuggets begin Thursday

The Miami Heat was the number eight seed in their conference but overcame those long odds to make it into the finals against the formidable Denver Nuggets.

Ugandan activist challenges country's draconian new anti-LGBTQ law

Uganda's new law calls for the death penalty for some gay people.

House passes debt ceiling bill, Senate to review next

The Senate has officially received the debt ceiling bill.

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Friday, June 2, 2023

13-year-old's quest to avoid family separation gets temporary reprieve
We hear an update on her status.

Scripps National Spelling Bee champion Dev Shah tells about his win
The eighth-grader beat hundreds of other spellers.

Culture war inside America's public schools illuminated through new NPR/Ipsos poll
Culture-war debates have been shaking up our public schools.

Grandmother and grandson toured all 63 national parks
They became internet celebrities along the way.

'Nine Black Robes' looks into Supreme Court's shift to the right and its consequences
A 6-3 conservative super majority court has struck down a number of longtime precedents.

Senate rushes to pass debt ceiling deal
Lawmakers are working to pass a crucial debt and spending deal by Monday.

'Shiny Happy People' investigates sex abuse tied to Duggar Family and their religious organization
The docuseries dives into the history of the reality TV family, the child pornography charges against its eldest brother and the sex abuse allegations leveled against members of the religious...

How eggs are used throughout the world and history
Author Lizzie Stark boils down the history of the egg in her egg-squisite book "Egg: A Dozen Ovatures."

Fort Bragg becomes Fort Liberty, dropping Confederate name
Bragg is among nine army bases that are dropping the names of Confederate leaders.

NPR's 'Taking Cover' tracks down the family of an Iraqi man who was mistakenly killed by Marines
On April 12, 2004, U.S. troops fighting in Fallujah took mortar fire from other Americans. Two Marines were killed, and a dozen were wounded. But this is the story of..

Employers added a huge 339,000 jobs in May
With the labor market in an ongoing hot streak, it's good news for job seekers but a concern for the wider economy and ongoing inflation.

Pride celebrations dampened by rising anti-LGBTQ+ sentiment
Nearly 500 anti-LGBTQ+ bills have been introduced in state legislatures this year alone.

New building restrictions in Arizona send signal to developers
Arizona is limiting new development in the Phoenix area because of anticipated groundwater shortages.

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Monday, June 5, 2023

San Francisco's new tax gives a boost to early childhood teachers and families
San Francisco has a goal of providing early education and care for all of the city's children.

Is the 'Fight for 15' outdated? Author argues \$20 is a living minimum wage
Roughly one-third of the country lives in precarious circumstances financially.

May job report offers a positive outlook for summer work
It's good news for young workers looking for summer work.

Abuse runs rampant in restaurant industry. What will it take to change?
In April, the New York Times and Boston Globe published incendiary reports detailing credible allegations of abusive behavior by iconic chef Barbara Lynch.

State Farm is not there for new homeowner's insurance in California
State Farm insurance is done with disaster-prone California.

Firefighters contain wildfire near Halifax, Nova Scotia, while another continue to burn
A massive wildfire that forced 16,000 people from their homes.

Many Guam residents are still without fundamental needs a week after Typhoon Mawar hit
Many Guam residents are without power, water and cell phone service.

Ozempic treats diabetes and helps with weight loss. But can it also treat addiction?
Some Ozempic patients are reporting an unexpected side effect: They say it's treating their addictions, from alcohol to cigarettes to gambling. And researchers are taking note.

Guitarist Yasser Tejeda drops new album 'La Madruga'
Tejeda is from the Dominican Republic — an island with very distinct traditions.

PFLAG and LGBTQ rights: How a mother's love for her gay son became a political force in the 1970s
Jeanne Manford was angry over how her gay son, Morty, and other LGBTQ people were treated. Her love — and bravery — led her to co-found PFLAG, an organization for...

Why are some states leaving an election integrity group?
Texas and eight other Republican-led states are withdrawing from ERIC, the Electronic Registration Information Center, in part because of far-right misinformation about the nonpartisan agency that enables states to share...

Train crash in Odisha, India, leaves nearly 300 people dead
More than 850 others were injured.

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Pro-Ukraine Russian fighters claim responsibility for recent attacks on Russia territory

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A pro-Ukraine group of Russian guerrilla fighters said they captured Russian soldiers during an attack in the southern part of the country.

'Tenderheart' tells one Chinese-Australian chef's stories of family, food, loss and joy
Hetty Lui McKinnon shares stories of what it was like to lose a parent as a child and how she found healing in cooking, especially in cooking vegetables.

Training program attempts to diversify firefighter workforce
The profession remains overwhelmingly white and male.

Randy Rainbow satirizes presidential candidates in new political videos
The comedian's memoir, "Playing With Myself," is now out in paperback.

Plane from Argentina's 'death flights' has been located
It will go in a museum dedicated to victims of torture during Argentina's Dirty War.

'Cop City': The latest after city council vote to provide funding
More than 300 spoke out against the training facility at the meeting.

Apple's new Vision Pro VR headset breaks the internet — and the bank
Priced at a whopping \$3,499, the new Apple Vision Pro is Apple's long-awaited foray into augmented reality. But is it enough to achieve what other virtual reality headsets have failed...

Jan. 6 rioters are raising money. Is that legal?
Jan. 6 rioters are raising thousands of dollars for their legal defense even though some have government lawyers — and judges are clawing it back in the form of fines.

Egg and milk prices drop, gas goes up: What does it all mean?
While there is good news in grocery, stores gas has risen again after the oil production OPEC+ group led by Saudi Arabia cut production again.

Oil business is strong and steady in West Texas Permian Basin
Business isn't quite booming, though — and that's on purpose. Producers are aiming for steady growth.

Chicago tries to help migrants sleeping on police station floors
For months, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott has been putting the migrants on a one-way ticket to Chicago and to other cities like New York and Denver.

Does Trumpism go beyond former President Donald Trump?
Trump has dramatically changed the direction of the Republican party in recent years.

Russia and Ukraine point fingers at each other over dam destruction
Hundreds are evacuating the flooded areas.

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PGA Tour merger with LIV Golf shakes up men's golfing
Since the announcement, many players have expressed frustration at the merger.

State of Mexico's elections suggest new direction for political future
For the first time in nearly a century, the country's revolutionary party lost.

Who will pay to clean dangerous PFAS chemicals out of our water supplies?
One settlement and one pending case might provide some clues.

CNN CEO Chris Licht resigns
Licht had a tumultuous tenure running the network, including backlash over the botched town hall with former President Donald Trump last month.

Was Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. more radical than we remember? 'King: A Life' explores the question
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. knew as a college student that he was going to "kill Jim Crow."

White woman charged with manslaughter after fatally shooting Black neighbor in Florida
Susan Lorincz shot A.J. Owens through her front door.

Ukraine major dam destroyed, forcing thousands to flee
Ukraine and Russia are blaming each other for the destruction.

Nam June Paik, the father of video art, celebrated in new documentary 'Moon is the Oldest TV'
His early art was excoriated by art critics, but his later work — from an installation featuring a Buddha propped in front of a television to his cutting-edge work with...

NBA finals: Who is Denver Nuggets star center Nikola Jokic?
The Nuggets have seemed to be the strongest team all the way to the finals and have been led by star Serbian center Nikola Jokic — or 'The Joker' as...

Florida judge blocks ban for gender-affirming care for trans minors
The judge's ruling allows for three transgender youths whose families brought the emergency request to continue receiving puberty blockers.

The 2024 GOP presidential field just got bigger. Who stands the best chance?
Democrat Elaine Kamarck writes that there's only one way former President Donald Trump could lose the Republican nomination.

People struggling with addiction and homelessness can face mistreatment by medical providers
People recovering from addiction say they face a problem: Doctors treat them differently because of their history.

Doctors warn of health concerns associated with poor air quality
A number of cities and towns in the East and North East United States are under air quality warnings Wednesday because of wildfires in Canada.

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'Diablo IV' success may lift Activision Blizzard out of controversy

Activision Blizzard gaming has faced sex abuse lawsuits and controversies for years.

Lionel Messi set to join Major League Soccer team in Miami

It's a move that surprised many.

Debates about security in Asia influenced by war in Ukraine

The conflict has taken a severe toll on the global economy, energy prices and beyond.

Public transit ridership remains low as systems face credit downgrades

Public transit systems continued to face difficulty as they try to get riders back on board after a pandemic-induced drop in use.

Broadway's 'Sweeney Todd' nominated for 8 Tony awards

The story tells the sordid and tragic tale of Sweeney Todd, who returns home after being falsely imprisoned.

Trump is subject of federal investigation, prosecutors tell his team

The Justice Department is looking into former President Trump's handling of classified documents.

Supreme Court issues ruling on Medicaid case

The court also released another big decision over whether Medicaid patients can sue over poor treatment.

Racehorse deaths prompts Churchill Downs to relocate for the remainder of the season

The reason behind the location change is to make sure the surface of the track at Churchill Downs isn't playing a role in injuring horses.

China expands tool to block people from leaving

A new report says China is increasingly using exit bans to keep people from leaving the country.

New York City art gallery features works by formerly incarcerated artists

In 2017, philanthropist Agnes Gund sold a \$165-million dollar painting to create a fund to support formerly incarcerated artists. "No Justice Without Love" celebrates the grantee-artists.

Frances Haugen's memoir details life junctures that led to Facebook whistleblower moment

In "The Power of One," Haugen shares the moments of her life that gave her the strength — including the tragic death of her childhood best friend and a debilitating...

Moms for Liberty labeled anti-government extremist organization by Southern Poverty Law Center

The group has pushed to ban books and tamp down on teaching about race and sexuality in public schools.

Supreme Court rules against Alabama in voting rights case

In a surprise decision, the court ruled against the state of Alabama and a map drawn by the Republican-led legislature. A lower court had said the map diluted the power...

Friday, June 9, 2023

Trump indictment is unsealed: The latest

The 49 pages lay out the charges against him in the case of classified documents found at his home.

Nationwide shortage of monkeys used for scientific and medical experiments

Prices for lab monkeys, which are overwhelmingly imported, are 15 times what they were pre-COVID, according to the Nikkei news service from Japan.

Remembering Wade Goodwyn, NPR Texas correspondent

He reported on his home state of Texas and the Southwest for more than 25 years.

Tupac Shakur gets posthumous star on Hollywood Walk of Fame

Tupac Shakur's musical and cultural impact became even more prominent after death.

General Motors follows Ford in joining Tesla's EV charging network

General Motors has announced plans to use Tesla's charging network for its electric vehicles (EVs) going forward.

'Shang Chi' actor Simu Liu tells his own origin story in memoir 'We Were Dreamers'

Simu Liu talks about his parents' struggles in China and Canada and his own journey to becoming Marvel's first Asian superhero.

Trump indicted for 2nd time in two months. What are the political implications?

Donald Trump is now not just the frontrunner for the GOP presidential nomination, he's also the first former President to face federal charges.

French Open Finals weekend features stars and surprise acts

The men's draw is set to feature top contenders for the title. The women's final will see Polish top seed and reigning champion Iga Swiatek face unseeded Czech player Karolína...

The legacy of FBI agent and spy Robert Hanssen

Robert Hanssen, one of the most notorious spies in U.S. history, died in prison this week. Hanssen was an FBI agent, but for years, he turned over classified information to...

How millets could help Midwest farmers survive climate change

Millets are a type of ancient grain mostly grown in parts of Asia and Africa.

Ukraine's spring offensive begins with new fighting in country's southeast

The Ukrainian military — armed with Western weapons and NATO tactics — have attacked Russian troops occupying the southeastern part of the county, including in the Zaporizhzhia region, according to...

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What's the forecast for the U.S. wildfire season this year?
So far, the U.S. has had a relatively slow start to wildfire season.

Legal expert reflects on Trump documents indictment
We find out about the former president's defense and how the indictment got to this point.

Trump documents indictment: How we got here
Trump has been indicted on federal charges for storing classified documents at his Florida home. He's accused of obstructing the government from getting them back.

Monday, June 12, 2023

Nashville production of 'Beauty and the Beast' puts spotlight on actors with disabilities
50 young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities star in the show.

The legacy of Pat Robertson, founder of the Christian Coalition
Pat Robertson ran for president in 1988 and lead evangelicals to weave their Christian identity into the Republican Party.

WNBA star Brittney Griner harassed at Dallas airport
The harassment has renewed calls among players and fans to have charter flights for all away games in the competition, but WNBA still appears to be pushing back.

'Parade' musical wins Best Revival Tony telling true story of false imprisonment of Jewish man
The haunting musical "Parade" took home Best Revival of a Musical at Sunday night's Tony awards. Its director Michael Arden won for best director.

Held vs. State of Montana, first constitutional climate change lawsuit goes to trial
The case was brought by 16 young residents of Montana that allege the state's government has violated its constitutional provision to a "healthful environment."

SCOTUS decision in Alabama voting rights case impacts in other states
The court ruled against Alabama's congressional map for diluting the power of Black voters. And experts say the decision could impact the balance of power in Congress.

Vegas Golden Knights are one win from first Stanley Cup
On Sunday night, the Vegas Golden Knights held off the charging Florida Panthers to move within touching distance of a first Stanley Cup title.

HistoryMakers oral history archive seeks to protect stories of Black lived experience
Red states are attempting to limit Black history lessons in public schools. An oral history nonprofit called The HistoryMakers has been working to preserve as many Black voices and experiences...

What we know about the Philadelphia bridge collapse

The northbound side of Interstate 95 collapsed after a truck carrying a petroleum-based product caught fire underneath the overpass.

Why preserving the habitat for tiny moths can have a huge ecological impact
The United Nations wants to conserve 30% of all land and water to avoid the extinction of up to 1 million species in the next few decades.

Tony Awards 2023: An unscripted recap of winners and best moments
The ceremony almost didn't happen on account of a writers' strike.

Ukrainian troops recapture 4 villages in counteroffensive
Ukraine's military says its troops have recaptured three villages in the western Donetsk region as part of their counteroffensive. Forces also captured a fourth village in the country's southeast.

Trump's words egg on his followers and exemplify 'cult leader dynamics,' fascism expert says
The former president has said "this is the final battle" and that he will "never leave" the presidential race following his federal indictment last week for mishandling top secret documents...

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

Remembering actor Treat Williams

Among his credits is the role of Geroge Berger in the 1979 film version of "Hair."

Palm Springs sees increase in homelessness
City leaders are struggling to come up with solutions.

'Indigikitchen' cooking show celebrates Native foods with simple recipes
Traditional indigenous foods such as corn, beans and squash — known as "the three sisters" — are not just good for the environment, but also for our health.

San Francisco commercial real estate facing major challenges
Hotel owners are no longer making loan payments and a major mall owner is giving up its prime location.

Georgia police department opens a 'wellness room' for officers to relax and decompress
In Marietta, Georgia, the police department has made mental health a priority and has created a wellness room for officers to relax.

Racism, discrimination prevalent in nursing, new survey shows
The survey found that 80% of nurses have experienced or seen racist treatment by patients, and 60% have experienced or seen it by colleagues.

Drugmaker Mallinckrodt may dodge \$1.7 billion opioid settlement by filing second bankruptcy
Generic drugmaker Mallinckrodt may file for a second bankruptcy.

A closer look at Judge Aileen Cannon, the Trump-appointed judge who will hear his case

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Trump has been indicted on 37 federal charges, including unlawfully retaining government secrets.

Remembering the late biologist Roger Payne and his monumental 'Songs of the Humpback Whale'
More than 50 years ago, Payne introduced the world to the striking sounds of the sea creatures,
propelling conservation efforts.

In 'Walking with Sam,' Andrew McCarthy bonds with his son while walking Spain's Camino de Santiago
The Camino de Santiago is an age old religious pilgrimage for many.

Denver Nuggets prevail over Miami Heat to clinch first NBA title
Star Serbian center Nikola Jokic took home MVP honors after a dominant run in the playoffs.

Will Congress give wildland firefighters a permanent raise?
An infrastructure bill gave wildland firefighters a temporary pay boost.

Silvio Berlusconi, infamous former Italian prime minister, dies aged 86
Berlusconi was famed, loved and maligned for his many financial scandals and sexual escapades.

How asylum officers are dealing with new immigration rules after the end of Title 42
The pandemic-era public health order Title 42 that allows the U.S. to quickly turn back migrants at the border had ended.

Trump to appear in court in Miami
He's been indicted on 37 federal charges, including unlawfully retaining government secrets.

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Remembering novelist Cormac McCarthy's life, work and legacy
McCarthy died Tuesday at age 89.

The abuse Ruth Solorzano suffered as a child led to her having several abortions
Starting when she was 12 years old, Ruth Solorzano's stepfather sexually abused her for seven years.

U.S. government spends billions on water rights settlements with Native American tribes
Tribes have to give up a lot in return, and hundreds more have yet to settle.

Driverless cars make careless mistakes on the road
In cities where these driverless cars are common, they're turning out to be quite the inconvenience.

California emissions bill aims to hold large companies accountable
A new bill aims to improve accountability by providing a clearer picture of the environmental cost of banking at Wells Fargo, or eating a burger from In N' Out, McDonald's...

Secretary of State Blinken attempts to 'thaw' tensions with China

Blinken was supposed to visit months ago, but that trip got canceled after an alleged Chinese spy balloon drifted over U.S. military sites.

Trump vows retribution in angry post-indictment speech

Former Florida congressman David Jolly who left the Republican Party during the Trump presidency.

From steaks to milkshakes, wow dad this Father's Day with 5 recipes

When you think of Father's Day, there are the obvious cliches: steak, potatoes, burgers, ribs, chops. Meat. Lots and lots of meat. But many dads are interested in good health....

Martin Luther King Jr.: Challenges in his final years and his message today

"King: A Life," new biography, includes some new revelations about King.

Las Vegas Golden Knights clinch their first Stanley Cup

The 9-3 victory capped a rapid rise for the Golden Knights, who did not exist seven years ago.

Singer Amaarae could be Africa's next pop princess

American-Ghanian singer Amaarae just released a new album called "Fountain Baby."

Massachusetts is among states advancing legal protections for LGBTQ+ families

A parent's legal right to their child may seem like a no-brainer. But for LGBTQ+ families, there are plenty of legal hurdles depending on where they live.

Federal Reserve wraps up inflation meeting

Most Fed watchers think it will pause interest rate increases.

What are the national security implications of Trump's alleged handling of documents?

He's accused of illegally holding onto national security documents after he left office and getting in the way of the government's efforts to get the documents back.

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Texas limits direct communication between students and lawmakers. Some students are pushing back

While the book bans have gotten a lot of attention, there are other restrictions on learning in Texas.

'Big Sugar' podcast tells story of exploitation on Florida's sugarcane fields

While big corporations got rich, the workers were forced to do extremely dangerous work for little pay.

Harvard morgue manager accused of trafficking in body parts

The man, Cedric Lodge, and his wife, Denise Lodge, are suspected of being part of a nationwide network trafficking in human remains.

Shovels & Rope band explores relationships and family through music

Shovels & Rope's album "Manticore" features a number of songs about relationships and family.

HIV vaccine researchers test mRNA technology

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The hope is that they can develop a vaccine to prevent HIV-negative people from getting infected.

Supreme Court leaves Indian Child Welfare Act intact

The law gives Native American families and tribal members priority in the adoption of Native American children.

Pizza award winner shares the secrets to making a great pie

Joe Carlucci, owner of Valentina's Pizzeria & Wine Bar in Madison, Alabama, won the Best Pizza Maker of the Year and Best Non-Traditional Pizza awards at this year's International Pizza...

'Cassandra In Reverse' looks at time travel through an autistic point of view

The book centers around Cassandra, a young woman who discovers she can travel through time. Cassandra, like her creator Holly Smale, is autistic.

Remembering British movie star Glenda Jackson

One of the finest British actors of her generation, Jackson won Oscar, Emmy, and Tony Awards, and also served as a member of Parliament for decades.

Cannibalistic crickets are causing public safety issues in Nevada

The fat, flightless insects are lining the streets, creating slick roadway conditions that can be dangerous to drive on.

Why these millionaires want to tax the rich

A group of U.S. millionaires wants Congress to raise taxes and the minimum wage. They've not had much luck, so now they're taking their case straight to working-class voters.

The world may soon reach peak oil demand

The International Energy Agency predicts that global oil demand will peak in the next few years as consumption of cleaner-burning fuels increases.

Southern Baptists vote to uphold expulsions for churches with women pastors

We ask what comes next for one of the nation's largest, and most conservative, Christian denominations.

Friday, June 16, 2023

Daniel Ellsberg dies at age 92

Daniel Ellsberg was the military analyst who leaked the Pentagon Papers.

Researchers in Wisconsin develop hearing test for Hmong speakers

Hearing tests are offered in English or other widely spoken languages such as Spanish.

What makes video games worth playing? One of our hosts found out firsthand

Billions of people play video games. But what's the hobby like if you've never really gotten into them?

Afghans journeying to U.S. met with unpredictable immigration system

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Two years after an American exit and Taliban takeover, Afghans are making the arduous journey across Central and South America to reach the U.S.

Pittsburgh synagogue shooter found guilty

Robert Bowers was found guilty of killing 11 people at the Tree of Life synagogue in 2018.

Live Nation, SeatGeek will do away with hidden fees, include them in upfront prices

Now, they're often displayed only at checkout.

Remembering renowned British actor Glenda Jackson

British movie star Glenda Jackson died Thursday at the age of 87.

Trump's federal court appearance dominates week in politics

The former president faces a 37-count federal indictment for obstruction and withholding classified documents.

Probe into Minneapolis Police Department finds use of excessive force, discrimination

U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland announced the results of a two-year probe into the Minneapolis Police Department and officers' use of force.

Celebrate Juneteenth with some traditional foods from Nicole A. Taylor's 'Watermelon and Red Birds'

In 2021, President Biden declared Juneteenth a federal holiday. So, how should we mark it? Well, with music, with dance — and red colored drinks.

Mass. firefighters and families take on PFAS 'forever chemicals'

Firefighters are on the front lines of the effort to regulate PFAS because they have been particularly exposed to these chemicals through their jobs and equipment.

Reddit moderators extend site blackout to protest new access fees

The two-day strike by Reddit's moderators has been extended indefinitely.

States' anti-trans measures could lead to dire mental health consequences, experts say

More than 550 legislative bills restricting gender-affirming health care and other rights for transgender people have been introduced this year in nearly all states in the country.

A look at what cases the Supreme Court is still considering this term

We are still awaiting 18 opinions from the Supreme Court before the end of this term.

Monday, June 19, 2023

Superhero movies tell multi-verse stories

This month's superhero sagas tell remarkably similar stories that involve multiple versions of their heroes and timelines.

Students at Georgia's School for the Blind cherish memories with 3-D yearbooks

'Tis the season for students to reflect on highlights of the school year.

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Law researchers challenge using cases with enslaved people as precedent
A team of Michigan State law school researchers is challenging that practice.

North Carolina's first Black-owned children's bookstore opens in downtown Raleigh
Liberation Station was started as a pop-up book store in 2019.

Israel-Palestine West Bank violence leaves at least 4 dead, dozens injured
A gunbattle has been ongoing in the city of Jenin between Israeli troops and militants.

Maggie Haberman, 'Trump whisperer,' talks about the former president
Maggie Haberman is the author of the book "Confidence Man: The Making of Donald Trump and the Breaking of America."

Gender-affirming care bans take effect in Georgia
Families and providers are preparing for what comes next.

Will a consent decree actually reform the Minneapolis Police Department?
The Minneapolis Police Department unlawfully discriminates against Black and native people in the city and uses force to retaliate against critics of the police.

Ocean surface temperatures are weirdly warm
What's causing these off-the-charts temperatures?

How a Cambridge, Mass., neighbor helped Xerox whistleblower Daniel Ellsberg's Pentagon Papers
Ellsberg, the analyst who leaked the Pentagon Papers, died last Friday at the age of 92.

Opal Lee — the grandmother of Juneteenth — is 96 and still walking for equality
Opal Lee has spent decades walking and advocating for the date marking actual emancipation to be recognized as a national holiday.

Log Cabin Republicans on the nationwide push to restrict LGBTQ+ rights
The group represents LGBTQ+ conservatives and allies.

Secretary of State Antony Blinken has 'candid meeting' with China's President Xi
It's the latest effort by the Biden administration to thaw diplomatic tensions with the superpower.

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Republican-led Georgia wants to be the 'electric mobility capital' of the U.S.
Gov. Brian Kemp is not embracing the climate realities that are helping drive the transition to electric power.

One school librarian who spoke out against censorship and book bans became a target of extremists
Libraries are for everyone. That's what librarian Amanda Jones believes, and what she said last year at her local library board meeting in her small town in Louisiana.

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First Paris Air Show since the pandemic brings big deals

On Monday, Airbus secured the largest commercial airplane contract in history, 500 jets for Indian budget carrier IndiGo.

Jonas Brothers' 'The Album' explores fatherhood and family

"The Album" is the first Jonas Brothers album in four years.

U.S. attorney Joyce Vance on classified documents posing challenges in Trump case

Former president Donald Trump was indicted over his handling of a number of documents, including some that are classified.

Rescue mission underway for 5 people lost while diving to the wreck of the Titanic

Five individuals were participating in a dive to the wreck of the Titanic and got lost.

The AMA is encouraging doctors to de-emphasize the use of BMI when assessing health

The wide usage of the weight-based metric within the medical industry has long faced criticism for it being a flawed and narrow measure to determine one's health risk.

Unhappy at your job? In 'The Search,' author Bruce Feiler maps out how to find purposeful work

The best-selling author explores how to find meaningful work — a topic that has come up for a lot of us during the pandemic.

Seattle to roll out program that rewards people for not using drugs

The city is taking an unconventional approach to reduce drug addiction and overdoses.

Culture wars get in way of 'Nebraska Nice'

Fighting over abortion and transgender rights have created turmoil in the state legislative session that just ended, despite a history of non-partisanship in the state.

Who are the Republicans running against Trump — and why are there so many?

Trump still has a hold on the Republican Party base that usually discourages other candidates from entering the race, Princeton University historian Julian Zelizer says.

Hunter Biden avoids jail time in plea deal on tax, gun charges

Hunter Biden will plead guilty to federal tax evasion charges and enter a diversion program for illegally obtaining a gun when he was using drugs.

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Gas station storage tanks pollute the Earth below

Gas tanks are getting old and leaky.

What happens when a freeway divides a community?

Many residents were displaced to make way for freeways and the neighborhoods they run through, many of which are low-income communities of color, continue to suffer the consequences.

Nebraska's law banning gender-affirming care for minors impacts its LGBTQ community
Nebraska is one of at least 17 states that have passed laws banning gender-affirming care for minors.

One young woman wants you to consider renting to the housing insecure instead of to tourists
Before the pandemic, Precious Price was cashing in on Airbnbs. But when local people with nowhere else to go called looking for housing, Price pivoted, lowering her profit margins to...

What a deadly school attack in Uganda shows about the Islamic State's impact in Africa
The Ugandan government has blamed an Islamic State-affiliated group.

What's true about the Presidential Records Act?
Presidential Records Act regulates what documents a president must turn over to archivists.

Families flock to D.C. to protest child care crisis
Protesters are pushing for new federal policies that would guarantee child care, parental leave, and early childhood mental health care, among other things.

'Family Style' graphic novel uses food memories to tell a refugee story
The book chronicles author Thien Pham's family's journey as refugees from Vietnam to the United States.

FTC moves to sue Amazon over Prime service deception
The Federal Trade Commission is alleging the company duped customers into signing up for its Prime subscription program.

UK Parliament votes Boris Johnson misled lawmakers on parties: What it means for UK politics
The UK Parliament voted in favor a report that concluded former Prime Minister Boris Johnson purposefully misled his fellow lawmakers over parties that took place at his residence during the...

Urgent hunt for lost Titanic sub continues as details emerge about company's past safety concerns
The vessel has less than 24 hours of oxygen left in the tank, amping up the pressure to find the five lost crew members.

9 men face charges around migrant boat wreck tragedy
More than 500 people are confirmed or presumed dead after an overcrowded trawler capsized off the coast of Greece.

Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto on reproductive health efforts
Wednesday afternoon a number of Democratic Senators are going to the chamber's floor to call for the passage of the "Freedom to Travel for Health Care Act."

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D.C.'s 'Awesome Con': Where comics and cosplay meet NASA and the FBI
Washington D.C.'s biggest fan convention just celebrated its 10th anniversary.

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Sheetal Sheth says kid's books can deal with big feelings. 'Always Anjali' takes on identity
Her "Making Happy" book is about a child coping with her mother's cancer.

Search area and effort widens for missing Titanic submersible
Medical personnel have officially joined the search.

After losing his wife to postpartum depression, a dad and police officer wants to help others
Just nine days after giving birth to twins in late May, 36-year-old Ariana Sutton, described as a vibrant
and devoted mother to her 4-year-old daughter, died by suicide.

Why Rep. Rashida Tlaib is boycotting Indian Prime Minister Modi's speech to Congress
Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi has faced criticism for human rights abuses of religious
minorities in India.

Prime Minister Modi's state visit is a significant moment in strengthening U.S.-India relations
President Biden is embracing Modi while turning a blind eye to his controversial record is drawing
scrutiny from critics.

The rise of aquaponics in Maine
More farmers are taking advantage of the symbiotic relationship between fish and plants by growing
both.

On 'Bunnamigos' podcast, a father and son hop around the globe
Maurice Poplar and his 10-year-old son Ezra came up with the idea of a travel podcast for kids after
inventing stories for a fluffle of rabbits in their neighborhood in...

Aspen Food & Wine Festival celebrates the rich history of Black cuisine
The festival celebrated its 40th anniversary with a diverse lineup of chefs.

What life looks like in East Palestine, Ohio, 5 months after the train derailment
The derailment has moved from the front pages but local residents are still struggling to recover.

Supreme Court rules against Navajo Nation in water rights case
The court rules that an 1868 treaty with the Navajo Nation did not require the U.S. government to take
steps to secure water access for the tribe.

New national standards aim to improve transparency in newborn care
Not all hospitals have the staffing and equipment needed to care for the most serious health conditions.

Justice Alito faces questions over jet travel
ProPublica reported that in 2008, Alito rode on the private jet of Republican donor, Paul Singer, on a
trip to Alaska. Singer had a number of cases come before the...

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Dionne Warwick, Queen Latifah recognized in 46th Kennedy Center Honors
This illustrious award recognizes artists who have made profound contributions to the cultural life of our country.

Reality TV and dating sites attract farmers and others in rural areas who looking for love
Finding love in rural areas can be challenging.

'Winner Sells All' reveals rivalry between retail titans Amazon and Walmart
Amazon dominates online sales, but in the early days of e-commerce, a traditional retail giant almost crushed them.

Unions moving into new role in economic climate
Boeing, Starbucks, UPS and even Hollywood are all in the midst of negotiations or struggling with issues relating to collective action.

Checking in with people affected by abortion laws, one year since Dobbs decision
Last fall, NPR asked people to tell us how abortion laws in their states had affected their lives.

How the Supreme Court's abortion ruling one year ago reshaped American politics
It's been a year since Supreme Court overturned abortion rights.

'I'm a Virgo' on Prime Video tackles systemic racism in an absurdist love story
The seven-part series follows a 13-foot-tall Black teenage boy who exists in a world where his girlfriend has super speed and a Tony Stark-style superhero reinforces systemic racism.

Culver City's Mayura Indian Restaurant specializes in South Indian cuisine
South Indian restaurants are a growing part of the Indian cuisine scene across the U.S., but food from Kerala, with its combination of spices and coconut, is unique.

Texas weather events break records
Texas faces excessive heat and dangerous storms this summer.

'Magic: the Gathering' head designer gets industry honors amid massive 'Lord of the Rings' crossover
The world's oldest trading card game, "Magic: the Gathering," recently became owner Hasbro's first billion-dollar brand.

There's a better way to teach children to read, research shows
Changing teaching practices has become a battleground across American schools.

U.S. and India strike multiple tech and defense deals during Modi visit
Some are questioning whether Biden should be cozying up to Modi, with concerns surrounding his views on human rights in his own country.

The view from Jackson, Mississippi, a year since the Supreme Court overturned Roe vs. Wade

Saturday marks one year since the Supreme Court overturned Roe vs. Wade in the case of Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization.

Supreme Court sides with Biden Administration on guidelines for deportation
Louisiana and Texas do not have legal standing to challenge the Biden Administration's immigration guidelines.

Monday, June 26, 2023

Busta Rhymes honored with lifetime achievement award at the 2023 BET Awards
This year, the event celebrated 50 years of hip-hop as an art form.

Mid-year money advice to keep your finances in check from analyst Jill Schlesinger
Avoiding junk fees, minimizing steep interest on credit cards, boosting retirement accounts and protecting your home from catastrophe are just some of the areas of advice she covers.

Nonfiction books to kick off your summer reading, recommended by Traci Thomas of 'The Stacks'
Traci Thomas calls these picks "un-put-downable."

As temperatures rise, 'climate smart' trees sprout in Minnesota
In Minnesota's rapidly warming forests, researchers are planting trees from southern climates because they're expected to grow better as temperatures rise.

What's next in Russia after weekend rebellion
The Wagner mercenary group's Yevgeny Prigozhin led an armed rebellion towards Moscow on Saturday, before agreeing to halt his troops.

What to do after national test scores plunge
National test scores again show dramatic drops in student achievement in math and reading since the pandemic.

How to stay safe on hiking trails this summer
A recent rise in accidents hiking-related accidents is a warning that nature can be as unforgiving as it is beautiful.

Accused Club Q shooter expected to plead guilty in court
The 23-year-old accused of murdering five people and injuring 17 others in the Club Q shooting is expected to plead guilty to murder and hate crimes charges.

What pregnant workers should know about their rights ahead of new federal law
The Pregnant Workers Fairness Act helps close loopholes to ensure pregnant people can have reasonable accommodations met at work.

More unionized rail workers are winning paid sick leave
This year, roughly 60% of unionized rail workers have won paid sick leave after last year's congressionally-imposed contract agreement left it out.

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New Texas law takes away water breaks amidst ongoing heat wave
Though the law doesn't go into effect until Sept. 1, two workers have died of heat-related illnesses since it was ratified.

After aborted coup, what's next for Putin?

Russian President Vladimir Putin averted a coup, but the weekend's events leave many questions about the stability of his regime and what that means for the world.

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

How Russians in the U.S. are processing the Wagner challenge to Putin's rule

Yelena Lembersky and her family fled to the U.S. in the late 1980s.

'The Oppermanns' novel is 90 years old but still has lessons for today

The book tells the story of a wealthy Jewish family in Berlin, Germany, who fall victim to the rise of the Nazis.

Shein manufacturing visit sparks backlash against influencers

Influencers visited the company and gave positive reviews of the working conditions, but have been criticized for participating in "fash-washing."

Abandoned oil and gas wells are leaking planet-warming methane. Workers are struggling to keep up
When oil and gas wells reach the end of their useful lives, fossil fuel companies are supposed to plug them before moving on. But that doesn't always happen. And even...

Supreme Court rules on what constitutes 'true threats'

The Supreme Court vacated a Colorado man's stalking conviction.

Russian President Vladimir Putin denounces Wagner Group leader, now exiled in Belarus

Putin denounced the mercenary group's leader and gave more details about the deal that staved off the mutiny.

USDA approves lab-grown meat for sale: What you need to know

It means that chicken grown from cells in a production facility will be available on the market for the first time — a huge moment for the food industry

Sweating, shivering, breathing robots teach humans how extreme temperatures affect the body

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about 700 Americans die every year from heat stroke and thousands more from heat-related diseases.

How one Texas group funded abortions when others couldn't

Most abortion funds in Texas stopped operations after the state implemented pre-Roe laws, following the U.S. Supreme Court ruling that overturned Roe v. Wade.

Why affirmative action divides Democrats

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The wait continues this week for the Supreme Court to rule on two cases that could end affirmative action in college admissions.

FDA tests out new location for nutrition labels on food packages
These labels are harder to implement in the United States.

Trump appears to brag about holding classified documents in audio recording
Audio that's been newly-made public of former President Donald Trump could be important evidence as he faces felony charges for mishandling classified documents.

Supreme Court rules against fringe legal election theory
In a closely watched election case, the Supreme Court Tuesday ruled that state constitutions, enforced by state courts, do protect voting rights in federal elections.

Wednesday, June 28, 2023

'No one's tougher than the sun': How a construction worker is staying safe during Texas' heat wave
In parts of southeast Texas, for example, forecasters are expecting a heat index of 112. The area has been facing triple-digit temperatures for three weeks now.

July 4th weekend travel chaos expected with dozens of airports facing issues already
Some airports are already experiencing problems, thanks to weather issues and staffing delays.

Turkish Muslims celebrate Eid al-Adha with charity and hope
In many Muslim-majority countries around the world, this is a festive week.

How Puerto Rico is preparing its electric grid for future hurricanes
Puerto Ricans know another major storm is coming — and that the electrical system will still be vulnerable when it does.

The view from Ukraine after a week of Wagner-fueled turmoil for Russia
Russian missiles hit the center of the Ukrainian-held town of Kramatorsk in the Donetsk region late Tuesday. Several deaths have been confirmed, with that number expected to rise as more...

What 3M's \$10 billion settlement tells us about the PFAS cleanup effort
Research shows the chemicals are linked to multiple types of cancers, in addition to weakening immune systems.

Andrew Sean Greer gives readers more 'Less is Lost' in sequel to Pulitzer Prize winning novel.
"Less" is out in paperback this week.

The future of sustainable jet fuel takes flight in rural Georgia
Summer travel means the skies will be busy with airline traffic, which will result in a great environmental impact.

Nobel Prize-nominated infectious disease doc targeted by anti-vaccine groups after refusing debate

Hotez refused to agree to a vaccine debate with anti-vaccine Democratic presidential candidate Robert Kennedy, Jr., an event proposed by podcaster Joe Rogan on Twitter this month.

Federal watchdog estimates at least \$200 billion could have gone to pandemic fraudsters
That's about 17% of the \$1.2 trillion allocated for emergency federal aid for small businesses.

Remembering British actor Julian Sands

Sands was best known for starring opposite Helena Bonham Carter in the 1985 film "A Room with a View."

Thursday, June 29, 2023

In Indiana, schools are forcibly isolating and restraining students

An investigation by member station WFYI shows that, despite state law, some schools in Indiana are misreporting the number of times they restrain and seclude students.

A federal judge blocked Tennessee's law banning gender-affirming care for trans kids

One of the few clinics offering gender-affirming care for transgender patients in Tennessee has been forced to give medical information on all of their trans patients to the state's attorney...

'50 Pies, 50 States' is a baking ode to America's ingredients and people

Stacey Mei Yan Fong created a wild Alaskan salmon and halibut pie for Alaska, and prickly pear and apple for Arizona. For New Jersey, there's a one-of-a-kind Jersey breakfast sandwich...

This machine creates drinking water 'from thin air' in driest parts of the world

A single hydropanel — powered by the sun — can produce more than a gallon of drinking water a day. Could it be the solution to water scarcity in the...

SCOTUS decides major affirmative action cases

The court ruled that Harvard and the University of North Carolina's admissions policy violated the equal protection clause in the 14th Amendment.

South Koreans get 1 to 2 years younger after age counting change

The government adopted international age-counting standards, even though traditional methods will have some cultural relevance.

The legacy of 'don't ask, don't tell'

Tens of thousands were discharged under the policy — only a small fraction of which have been made eligible for their veterans benefits.

New York Yankee Domingo Germán pitches a perfect game

It's just the 24th time in MLB history that a perfect game has been pitched and the first in over a decade.

'In Other Words, Leadership' chronicles a year of letters between Maine's governor and constituent

Maine Gov. Janet Mills had been in office only a year when the pandemic struck. Amid the chaos, a mother named Shirah Knapp sent her a letter of support —...

New twists in Hunter Biden controversy unfold

An IRS whistleblower claims that the Justice Department is interfering in the Trump-appointed lead prosecutor's investigation of wrongdoing by President Biden's son Hunter.

What to know about how Putin is handling the divisions among Russia's national security apparatus
In the the fallout of this weekend's mutiny, Putin is trying to project normalcy.

Supreme Court rules against affirmative action at UNC and Harvard

Alison Byerly, President of Carleton College, who was part of an amicus brief in favor of affirmative action.

Friday, June 30, 2023

What are young people thinking about?: Stories from NPR's Student Podcast Challenge
NPR received more than 3,300 entries in this year's contest.

One opponent of affirmative action reacts to Supreme Court ruling

The ruling reversed decades of precedent in higher education, but law professor Gail Heriot sees the change as a good thing.

British court rules against government's plan to send migrants to Rwanda

Britain's Court of Appeal ruled that the government's plan to send migrants seeking asylum in the UK to Rwanda is unlawful.

'Power and Prosperity': How technology should lead to shared economic growth

In the new book "Power and Prosperity: Our 1,000 Year Struggle Over Technology & Prosperity,"
Daron Acemoglu and Simon Johnson look at how technology has too often benefited the elite...

Supreme Court rulings on affirmative action, LGBTQ rights reverberate politically

The high court also struck down President Biden's plan to forgive \$400 billion in student loan debt.

'The Bear' season 2 dives deeper into restaurant industry and family trauma

The show focuses on a struggling restaurant in Chicago and the flawed people behind it

New Florida law bars Chinese citizens in U.S. on temporary visas from buying property

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis signed a law last month saying he is cracking down on communist China.

Colorado arts center creates space for LGBTQ teens to express themselves through fashion

A Colorado arts center is helping queer teenagers express who they are by making their own fashion at a time when non-binary gender identity is under attack in America.

Canadian wildfire manager reflects on tough start to summer as smoke impacts air quality

Poor air quality stemming from fires burning across Canada is again choking major American cities.

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The latest from Paris as protests continue following the police killing of a teenager
More than 800 people have been arrested as protests erupted following the police killing of a 17-year-old boy of Algerian descent after a traffic stop.

Reverse Course: Small solutions to the big problems caused by climate change
We met everyday people who are tackling the climate crisis, doing their best to come up with solutions to mitigate and adapt to climate change, but it's not easy work.

Southeast Wyoming could be the new hot spot for rare earth mineral mining in the U.S.
Solar panels and other climate-friendly solutions require rare earth minerals. The U.S. doesn't have the infrastructure to compete and keep up with demand in this market.

Supreme Court rules against Biden's student debt plan
By a 6 to 3 vote, the Supreme Court struck down President Biden's plan to cancel \$400 billion in student loan debt.

SCOTUS rules against Colorado on LGBTQ rights case
The U.S. Supreme Court ruled 6-3 long ideological lines that the First Amendment bars Colorado from “forcing a website designer to create expressive designs speaking messages with which the designer...

Quarterly Issues/Programs List

"Radio Boston"

(April, May, June 2023)

April 2023

Monday, April 3, 2023

What to expect during tax season in Massachusetts

The tax deadline is April 18, 2023. We discuss the basics of filing and what to expect in your returns.

What a chemical fire in Braintree tells us about how Mass. responds to regional emergencies

In February, a chemical fire took hold in Braintree, at New England's largest hazardous waste disposal center. No one was injured, but the incident revealed existing faults in how communities...

An intellectual property law expert on Warhol, whiskey, and the Red Sox

The Supreme Court is set to more sharply define the lines that govern parody and artistic appropriation.

Tuesday, April 4, 2023

Marking 100 years of the Mambo Kings with Berklee College of Music

We celebrate the lives of mambo legends Tito Puente and Tito Rodriguez with two local mambo and salsa icons. Berklee College of Music is marking the kings this Thursday with...

Affordable housing in Boston is complicated. Roxbury shows us why

Plus celebrating 100 years of the Mambo Kings with Berklee College of Music.

Lessons from a Boston neighborhood where more than half of housing is designated affordable

We check in on Roxbury.

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

New exhibit will examine the lasting legacy of the Great Boston Fire of 1872

It burned for 12 hours and destroyed nearly 800 buildings. But 151 years later, the Great Boston Fire of 1872 is just a memory for many Bostonians. A new exhibit...

Looking at ways to increase equity in healthcare in Massachusetts

A new bill introduced this session on Beacon Hill wants to improve how the state tracks health equity in order to help find solutions for increasing it. We take a...

Thursday, April 6, 2023

A neighborhood-by-neighborhood look at environmental justice in Boston

Can the city's climate change mitigation efforts achieve equity?

After recent patent dispute, what's next for the Commonwealth's iRobot and Sharkninja?

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New fiction book aims to present a more full picture of Isabella Stewart Gardner

How do you want to be remembered? When it comes to Isabella Stewart Gardner, the question can be complicated. A new fictional account of her story, aims to present her...

Friday, April 7, 2023

When a family loses a loved one to opioids, who helps pay for burial services?

What recent local cases of alleged abuse of immigrants tell us about workplace protections in Massachusetts

We dive Beneath the Headlines on two recent cases of alleged abuse of immigrant and migrant workers, and explore what they can tell us about workplace protections for all.

Where folk and classical music collide, with the Boston-based Rasa String Quartet

Monday, April 10, 2023

Remembering Mel King

Mel King was a politician, a community organizer, and an advocate. But he was also a friend, a husband, a father, and a mentor. Today, we remember him as all...

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

What two dueling court rulings mean for abortion care and rights in Massachusetts

We dive deep into how two competing court rulings are calling into question the future of medical abortions using the drug mifepriston.

Latif Blessing's journey from rural Ghana to the New England Revolution

The midfielder's journey to Major League Soccer began halfway across the world.

The weird, wild world of Boston's buy-nothing Facebook groups

The movement has exploded in popularity since the onset of the pandemic.

The resilient Celtics prepare for a playoff push

The team aims to finish what they started last summer, and bring home their 18th championship banner.

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Boston's community newspapers, facing economic headwinds, fight to endure

We take a look at newspapers that seek to specifically serve local communities.

Brookline-born comedian Alex Edelman is headed to Broadway

The comic is in town for a series of shows through April 23.

Thursday, April 13, 2023

New report says Black communities are growing, but not in Boston

According to a new report from Boston Indicators, the research arm of the Boston Foundation, Greater Boston's Black population is growing, but more and more they're choosing to live outside...

Chef Tiffani Faison on marking the Boston Marathon bombings, and how to improve workplace culture in restaurants

Celebrity Chef Tiffani Faison joins us for our monthly check-in. She talks everything from how TV food competitions are changing, to remembering the Boston Marathon bombings, 10 years later.

A conversation with novelist Marilynne Robinson

Friday, April 14, 2023

WBUR reporters reflect on their coverage of the Boston Marathon bombings

We talk with Steve Brown, Martha Bebinger, and Bruce Gellerman.

Previewing the Boston Marathon

Longtime WBUR marathon reporter Alex Ashlock joins us.

How do we remember: Analyzing the space between experience and memory 10 years after the Boston Marathon bombings

Today we're reflecting back on the Boston Marathon bombings. Tomorrow, Saturday, will mark 10 years since they happened. We look back on the day with bombing survivor Meghan Zipin, and...

Monday, April 17, 2023

Why running shoes are more than just what's on your feet

Radio Boston sits down with a Boston Marathon runner, a running coach and a shoe designer.

After cardiac arrest, a marathoner returns to Boston promoting the importance of CPR

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

A push for diversity amongst Massachusetts teachers

Right now, nearly 90 percent of the state's public school teachers are White.

Gnocchi face off: Chef Gatto puts his gnocchi up against Tiziana Dearing's family recipe

You can watch their showdown live on Youtube, or watch the video later to catch the action or even cook along with the help of a pause button.

The Boston Housing Authority has a new leader

We speak with Boston City Councilor Kenzie Bok, who will lead the BHA starting in May.

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

Looking at efforts to combat climate change in Boston, and beyond

David Cash, EPA administrator for Region 1, New England and Daniel Blackman, EPA administrator for Region 4, which represents southern states like North and South Carolina, Florida, and Kentucky, join...

Celtics guard Malcolm Brogdon looks to his ancestors' legacies, but carves his own path

His grandfather studied at Boston University's School of Theology alongside Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Why our high electric bills might be hurting our climate change goals
Two local experts talk about how our high electric bills are hurting our battle against climate change.

Thursday, April 20, 2023

Exploring the outsized impact of tech layoffs on immigrant workers in Boston
Plus, a Boston company's controversial robot "dog" is now part of the NYPD.

Boston's Black printmakers, past and present

More women are in leadership roles in Massachusetts, but that growth is still lagging behind, says new report

We take a look at a new report that shows that the number of women in leadership roles in the state's top 75 companies are growing, but that growth is...

Friday, April 21, 2023

Can pandemic-era pedestrianized streets endure?
This summer could be a crucial turning point.

The Supreme Court is deliberating the future of a drug that's widely used in medical abortions
Sen. Warren joins us to talk about what the court's decision could mean for reproductive and overall healthcare accessibility in the commonwealth.

Sports betting had a huge first month in Massachusetts. Now what?
Radio Boston talks about the latest news and concerns about sports betting.

Monday, April 24, 2023

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu about the future of the T, city budget and more
Plus, Wu's thoughts on Boston Marathon 2023, local schools and youth employment

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

The Black running crew, the Boston Marathon, and the Newton Police
A Black running group in Newton filmed police blocking them from the course; Newton Police say spectators from the group were jumping onto the Marathon course and running alongside participants

Former Boston Celtics coach Ime Udoka signs with the Houston Rockets
ESPN Senior Writer Howard Bryant joins us to discuss sports news

Lynch defends herself as abuse allegations against the Boston chef stir industry
Several workers accused Barbara Lynch, who owns several award-winning restaurants in Greater Boston, of physical, verbal and sexual abuse, according to recent news reports, claiming she frequently got drunk inside...

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

Wellesley College Professor Kellie Carter Jackson's 24-hour teach-in

Associate Professor of Africana Studies at Wellesley College, Kellie Carter Jackson joins us monthly for our history and culture focused conversation, "Yes, And"

Two Boston-area comic book authors on using the medium to tell stories of history and culture

Boston University's Joel Christian Gill introduces us to an ethnographer at Harvard's Radcliffe Institute who's using the artform to educate

What's next for Bristol County Jail after inmate uprising?

WBUR's Deb Becker joins Radio Boston to talk about the Bristol County Jail standoff.

Thursday, April 27, 2023

Boston Comics in Color gives underrepresented creatives a change to tell their stories

Radio Boston previews this weekend's Boston Comics in Color Festival with Cagan Luse.

What a proposal to merge four Boston Public School buildings means for students, teachers, and the community

On Wednesday night, Boston school officials announced a plan to merge two sets of elementary school buildings in Dorchester, Roslindale, and Mattapan. We check-in with BPS officials, and a panel...

Friday, April 28, 2023

STONEBREAKERS puts monuments under the microscope

Radio Boston talks with the directors of the film STONEBREAKERS about monuments.

Exploring racism in Boston sports culture with Black journalists

Radio Boston talks with Black journalists about the racist culture of Boston sports.

Exploring the intersection of race and technology with Harvard's Broderick Turner

Turner runs the Technology, Race, and Prejudice Lab, or TRAP Lab.

May 2023

Monday, May 1, 2023

How the state's new behavioral hotline is filling in gaps in mental health care

It's been three months since the state launched a free, confidential, 24-hour hotline to connect callers for behavioral health services in Massachusetts. We check-in on how the hotline is doing,...

Can Gen Z make it in Boston?

The Boston Globe's Diti Kohli joins us.

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

How Massachusetts sports betting is pushing the limits of 'responsible gambling'

Radio Boston spoke with a gambling addiction counselor about the dangers of sports betting in Massachusetts.

T: Machine that fell on Red Line passenger was last used in 2013
The T is wrangling multiple infrastructure problems and financial challenges as it works to repair defective tracks.

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

'Good Grief': How do we teach our children to deal with loss and change?

Radio Boston speaks with a grief counselor who helps children navigate loss.

Looking at how to build skills in Massachusetts college students so they can find and keep well-paying jobs

According to new data from Harvard's Project on Workforce, in 2021, 40-percent of students who recently completed a 4-year degree found themselves in jobs that didn't require it. And there's...

WPI's Dean of Arts and Sciences Jean King talks about diversifying STEM fields, building more mentorship opportunities

Jean King, Dean of Arts and Sciences for Worcester Polytechnic Institute, has been named to the National Institutes of Health Council of Councils. We talk to her about that appointment,...

Thursday, May 4, 2023

A conversation with author Ibram X. Kendi

Radio Boston sat down with Kendi in studio to hear -- in his own words -- about his life, work and aspirations.

Are the Red Sox... good?

Most Sox fans entered this season with low expectations.

Boston pushing to reclaim its place in the AI race. But at what cost?

Radio Boston breaks down Boston's place in the artificial intelligence race.

Friday, May 5, 2023

How Haiti is testing Boston's capacity to respond to humanitarian crises

A growing number of people fleeing violence in Haiti are sleeping in Boston-area emergency rooms.

What happened to the Bruins, and can the Celtics avoid the same fate?

Radio Boston digs into what happened to the Bruins and what's to come for the Celtics.

Local program tries to close workforce staffing shortages by training high school students to fill them
So many industries are facing staffing shortages from teachers, to bus drivers, to nurses and healthcare workers. One potential solution is to get young people into their desired professions with...

Monday, May 8, 2023

Optimism for Boston's post-pandemic downtown

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Foot traffic in neighborhoods like Downtown Crossing is way below pre-pandemic levels.

The ins and outs of the third party electricity provider industry in Massachusetts
We take a look at a new WBUR series that explores the business of third party electricity providers.
They claim to save customers money, but many people end up paying...

Talking about food, the pandemic, and the future with two local James Beard finalists
Three area chefs have been named as finalists for a James Beard award. We chat with two of them:
Chef Valentine Howell, of Krasi [KRAH-see], and Rachel Miller of Nightshade...

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

How to support parents who are suffering from postpartum depression in Massachusetts
We explore what postpartum depression looks like in the Commonwealth, including ways the state is
and should be supporting parents suffering from the illness

When it comes to safety on the MBTA, are we having the right conversation?
Listeners, along with our panel of experts, weigh in.

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

A legislative push to shore up transgender rights in Massachusetts
We talk with a lawmaker, an advocate, and a health care provider.

A legendary Boston journalist steps away from the Bay State Banner
We talk with the Banner's outgoing Managing Editor, Yawu Miller.

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Two bills to further close gender and racial pay gaps in Massachusetts get a hearing on Beacon Hill
Two bills that aim to further close gender and racial pay gap got a hearing on Tuesday in front of the
Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development. We take...

Ask The Docs: the COVID emergency ends, and a new RSV vaccine in the works
Radio Boston "asks the docs" about the latest in the COVID pandemic and the new RSV vaccine.

1,700 summer jobs for Boston-area high schoolers
The nonprofit Action for Boston Community Development, or ABCD, is offering more than a
thousand summer job placements for young people.

Friday, May 12, 2023

In Massachusetts, business confidence sours
New data indicate business owners in Massachusetts are feeling increasingly pessimistic about the
future.

A look at why life expectancy differs from one neighborhood in Boston to another
Boston is just over 40 square miles, but when you walk two miles from Back Bay to Roxbury's Nubian
Square, your life expectancy could drop by roughly 23 years. Those...

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Talking about music and artistry with South Shore musician Lee Zangari
Lee Zangari is WBUR's favorite from NPR's 2022 Tiny Desk Contest local entries. And they will be playing tonight, with their mountain dulcimer, at WBUR's City Space. We sat down...

Monday, May 15, 2023

Reflecting back on the pandemic in Massachusetts with three WBUR reporters
State and federal pandemic measures have now ended. So what's next for the Commonwealth? We take stock of the last three, and look ahead to the next with WBUR's Steve...

Celtics surge to second straight Eastern Conference Finals behind star Jayson Tatum
Radio Boston recaps the Celtics' series win over Philadelphia and looks ahead to the Eastern Conference Finals.

Christmas Tree Shops declares bankruptcy
We talk with the Boston Globe's Diti Kohli about what's next for the chain.

Tuesday, May 16, 2023

We "T" off on the latest headlines for the MBTA
Congressman Seth Moulton joins us, along with transportation advocates Stacy Thompson and Chris Dempsey.

Gov. Maura Healey on how to make the Massachusetts economy more competitive
Governor Maura Healey joins us to talk about the ways that Massachusetts is competitive right now, and how to make the state, all around, more attractive to new workers, businesses,...

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

Celebrity Chef Tiffani Faison on her businesses, restaurant culture, and preserving civil rights
Celebrity Chef Tiffani Faison joins us for our monthly check-in where we hear about how her new restaurant is doing, what she thinks about current talks about restaurant culture, and...

A glimpse into the State House, where Mass. lawmakers are weighing how to spend more than \$50 billion
Evan Horowitz of the Center for State Policy Analysis at Tufts University joins us.

One mother's journey to avenge her daughter on the streets of South Boston
Local bestselling author Dennis Lehane joins us to discuss his new book "Small Mercies" out now. It takes place during the summer of 1974, following a local court decision mandating...

Thursday, May 18, 2023

Tech Talk: How a Boston company is revolutionizing weather forecasting
We talk about the latest in weather satellite technology on this episode of Tech Talk.

Bar for lesbian and non-binary communities set to open in Boston later this summer

We hear from Thais Rocha, co-founder of Boston's LGBTQ Nightlife Events, about the new lesbian and non-binary focused bar set to open this summer in Boston. Once opened, it will...

Friday, May 19, 2023

We talk with legendary Boston comedian Steven Wright
Wright's new novel, Harold, is out now from Simon and Schuster.

From youth organizing to planting trees: Boston's environment chief's new role
Reverend Mariama White-Hammond, Boston's Chief of Environment, Energy, and Open Space, joins us to talk about her priorities for the city, and how she's bringing his background in pastoral organization...

A look at redistricting in Boston, as tensions run high and time runs short
Boston City Councilors are hurtling towards a deadline to re-draw the city's electoral map.

Monday, May 22, 2023

Wu talks redistricting, city council and more
Boston Mayor Michelle Wu sits down with radio Boston to talk about summer jobs in the city, housing initiatives and more.

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Watch: Learn how to roll sushi with Boston chef Joe Gatto
The art of making sushi dates back to 15th century Japan, and master sushi chefs can train for more than a decade before rolling for the masses. Boston chef Joe...

How a Supreme Court ruling on an Andy Warhol piece could shape the future of art
Peter Karol and Bhamati Viswanathan of New England Law Boston join us to discuss.

Professors explain how efforts across U.S. to edit Black history are impacting higher education in Massachusetts
Professors Kellie Carter Jackson and Kerri Greenidge discuss the challenges facing Massachusetts colleges and universities as efforts to edit or censor Black history emerge across the country.

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

Massachusetts grapples with increasing hate crimes, propaganda
A new ADL report on Hate in the Bay State is not flattering for Massachusetts. The numbers show Massachusetts saw more white supremacist incidents than any state except Texas from...

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New book looks at the lives of the thousands of Black people who came to Boston during the Great Migration

More than 6-million Black people traveled from the South to the North during the Great Migration, a period of 60 years in the 20th century. In New England, between 1950...

Thursday, May 25, 2023

How Framingham is trying to fill its teacher shortage

We look how Framingham is trying to fill their teacher shortage by depending on a federal visa program.

How a Tufts professor is using 'Jurassic Park' to sculpt the next generation of bioengineers

Tufts University professor Nisha Iyer teaches "Applications in Engineering: Sci-Fi Bioengineering."

How one Boston infectious disease expert is thinking about the next pandemic

Dr. Nahid Bhadelia was in Washington D.C. for the last year as the senior policy advisor for the White House's Global COVID Response team. Now, she's back in Boston as...

Friday, May 26, 2023

For Mt. Joy's Matt Quinn, Boston Calling is a homecoming

Quinn penned his band Mt. Joy's breakout hit in Boston, while he was an undergrad at Northeastern.

Massachusetts might soon make schools cellphone-free for students

More books are being challenged in Massachusetts libraries than ever before

According to data from the American Libraries Association, the number of books challenged in libraries statewide quadrupled between 2021 and last year. In this week's Comics Culture, we learn about...

Monday, May 29, 2023

How farmers markets in Massachusetts are connecting people to fresh food

There are over 200 summer and fall farmer's markets, and over 50 winter markets in Massachusetts. We learn about the landscape of farmers markets in the state and what it...

Summer cocktail and mocktail recipes that are perfect as the weather warms up

With the weather warming up, Lonnie Newburn of Somerville's The Boston Shaker brings us a cocktail and a mocktail recipe.

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

Local curler on how Massachusetts curling clubs are working to be more inclusive

Massachusetts has more than a dozen curling clubs from Boston to the Berkshires. Broomstones in Wayland is the state's largest curling club, and Shelley Dropkin is its president. She's also...

Is the T transparent about its shortcomings?

Transit advocates have long criticized the MBTA's approach to communications.

Wednesday, May 31, 2023

'Love to Love You Donna Summer' takes you inside the life of the Queen of Disco

Rep. Jake Auchincloss is urging fellow Democrats to throw their weight behind the debt ceiling deal

Auchincloss joins us from Washington shortly after leaving a closed-door House Democratic Caucus meeting.

Quincy's Lunar New Year vote highlights struggles of Asian American communities

June 2023

Thursday, June 1, 2023

Participants of Boston's 45th annual Pride Parade on Saturday. (Simón Rios/WBUR)

How Boston's LGBTQ+ community is making public spaces more inclusive and welcoming

We talk about what to expect from Pride in Boston this year, plus how members of the BIPOC LGBTQ community are working to make all nightlife spaces more inclusive.

A look at electric vehicle infrastructure in Massachusetts

The Commonwealth plans to spend a good chunk of its federal infrastructure money on an electric vehicle revolution. The state wants 300,000 electric vehicles on the road by 2025. Can...

Friday, June 2, 2023

Local film experts talk 'Good Will Hunting' live at Coolidge Corner Theatre

Nearly 250 people joined Radio Boston at the Coolidge Corner Theater Thursday night to screen "Good Will Hunting" and talk about it with film critics in the latest live "Set...

Boston plans to use hundreds of new speed humps to slow down cars. You have thoughts.

Christian MilNeil of StreetsBlog Mass and Brad Rawson of the City of Somerville help us understand what Boston's new traffic-calming program will look like.

Celtics fall short of history in season-ending loss. So what now?

The Celtics are heading into an intriguing off-season filled with questions about the future. But they at least know who will coach them next year. Probably.

Monday, June 5, 2023

Legal sex workers in New England find themselves shut out from banking, payment platforms

The Boston Globe's Diti Kohli reports the rise in payment platforms like Venmo helped sex workers stabilize their finances.

Birthplace of 'The Prophet': Kahlil Gibran's life in Massachusetts

"People are always saying, 'Oh, this is where The Prophet was written, either that in Cambridge, or either that in Greenwich Village,' But it was started at Buzzard's Bay," says...

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

New graphic novel brings Ibram X. Kendi's 'Stamped' to life

Developers eye a little-used potential solution to a growing housing crisis

Leaders in Massachusetts and beyond acknowledge that a lack of supply is driving a cost-of-housing crisis that threatens the state's future.

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

The T is getting faster and better-staffed. But it's a slow transformation.

MBTA General Manager Phillip Eng says some positive changes are underway at the T since he took over about two months ago.

Thursday, June 8, 2023

Chelsea using wave of innovation to combat food, wealth inequality

Friday, June 9, 2023

Celebrating Pride as threats to LGBTQ rights in Mass. and the country mount

The Portraits of Pride photography exhibit at City Hall Plaza is one of many celebrations of LGBTQ identity and culture taking place in Boston this month.

Red Sox's comedy of errors not entertaining fans; Patriots hope for 2023 rebound

New England Revolution's Omar Gonzalez contemplates the arc of his soccer career

Gonzalez's decade-plus career in pro soccer has seen him start in multiple World Cup games for the U.S. Men's National Team.

Monday, June 12, 2023

The Boston man who wants to row to London

Bryan Fuller and his team of plan to row from Boston to London next June on a route through the North Atlantic few have ever attempted.

Lawsuit alleges city, state institutions failed to stop former BPD officer from abusing children

Former police officer Patrick Rose is now in prison.

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

Another long week at the T

The T General Manager has a lot on his plate this week.

A new app evaluates accessibility of Boston streets and buildings

What if there was an app to show how accessible a building or restaurant is for folks with disabilities?

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Celebrating six strings with the Boston Guitar Festival

Classical guitarists, and festival co-founders Eliot Fisk and Zaira Meneses join us in-studio for a conversation and musical performance.

How can parents support their kids in seeking gender-affirming care

We break down best practices in supporting children across the gender spectrum.

How a more than 50-year-old housing policy displaced a former Jewish neighborhood in Mattapan
An area south of Boston, from Mattapan Square to Franklin Park, used to home to a thriving Jewish community. But over the course of 4 years, an area that was...

Thursday, June 15, 2023

Gov. Maura Healey on the future of affirmative action, LGBTQ rights and the T
Massachusetts Gov. Maura Healey joins us in this monthly segment to talk about LGBTQ rights, the MBTA and the pending U.S. Supreme Court decision on affirmative action.

The new president of Boston's Museum of African American History wants to keep history lessons accurate, accessible

Noelle Trent has just started her role as the president and chief executive of the Museum of African American History in Boston and Nantucket.

Who controls the internet in Massachusetts?

Also, a conversation about Apple Vision Pro and the future of virtual reality.

Friday, June 16, 2023

Sola Mahfouz's 'Defiant Dreams' take her from Taliban-controlled Afghanistan to Tufts University

'Brewed in Mass' highlights Hyde Park's own Latino-owned brewery

A new documentary details how a Massachusetts man survived being swallowed by a whale
The movie is set to premiere at the Provincetown Film Festival.

Monday, June 19, 2023

What this Juneteenth means for Black Bostonians

In this special hour, we take stock of this moment in Black Boston. Is the city is on the brink of real change?

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Boston profited from the opium trade in the 19th century. Now the city is reckoning with its past.

The Boston Athenaeum; Mass General and Mclean hospitals; Perkins School for the Blind are just few institutions funded by opium money.

Old North Church hosts new live play, the first one in its 300 year history

Running from now until September, Old North Church is hosting its first ever original play called "Revolution's Edge." It's a dramatic imagining of a conversation between three men, at the...

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

How the Supreme Court's ruling on a Jack Daniel's-inspired dog toy intersects with an old Cape Cod canine case

This month, the Supreme Court issued its ruling in a trademark case that pitted whiskey-maker Jack Daniel's against a company that sells a dog toy parodying Jack Daniel's signature "Old...

Crafting the perfect, kid-friendly grilled cheese sandwich with Boston chef Joe Gatto
In our monthly segment with celebrity chef Joe Gatto, "From Scratch," we're making grilled cheese and tomato soup that you and any young ones in your life will enjoy easily...

New book details a previously unknown 'glamping' trip to the Boston Harbor Islands in July 1891
Back in July 1891, four women from Lowell took a trip to the Boston Harbor Islands. They left their family and children for more than two weeks, and documented the...

Thursday, June 22, 2023

Naomi Yang learns to 'Never Be A Punching Bag For Nobody'

So-called 'Soccer Grannies' create a sisterhood of sport and community from across an ocean
In March, women soccer players over 50 from across Africa, Europe and the US competed in the first annual Grannies International Football Tournament. Three Boston-area teams played in that tournament....

A look at the legal and ethical implications of the Harvard Medical School morgue case
Families of donors seek answers from the Harvard Medical School.

Friday, June 23, 2023

Meet the creatives behind Concepts, the local brand at the vanguard of the sneaker industry
Concepts is putting in the work to reinvent the industry for women.

Community health centers in Massachusetts grapple with long wait times, workforce shortages
Leaders and advocates say community health centers are at risk of losing ground on their mission to bridge racial and socio-economic care gaps.

Boston soccer tournament uses sport to unify city's diverse community
Radio Boston profiles the Boston Unity Cup, a 7-on-7 soccer tournament that will feature men and women's teams made of people from across the globe.

Monday, June 26, 2023

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu on transit, car crash, and adult fraudulently enrolled in BPS
We sit down with Mayor Wu for our monthly check-in.

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

New report shows a state tax meant for community projects is being underutilized for affordable housing

A new report from the Center for State Policy Analysis at Tufts University in conjunction with the Greater Boston Real Estate Board found that more than a third of communities...

A kitchen table conversation with Jake Auchincloss
Jake Auchincloss reflects on fatherhood, the pandemic, his years as a marine and more.

Cape residents grossed out by sewage-polluted waterways, but downright nauseated by the price tag of a potential fix

Decades of nitrogen pollution have fueled nasty-looking and foul-smelling algae blooms along the Cape's coast.

Wednesday, June 28, 2023

Celtics make 'hard' decision to trade fan-favorite Marcus Smart to boost title chances

The T and the tunnel

The Sumner Tunnel is closing for nearly two months, beginning in early July, to allow for repairs.

Thursday, June 29, 2023

Tiffani Faison on climate and food, Pride month, and the new season of 'The Bear'

Celebrity Chef Tiffani Faison joins us in studio for our monthly conversation on everything from climate and food, to Pride, to the new season of 'The Bear.'

Rep. Katherine Clark reacts to U.S. Supreme Court ruling on affirmative action

Robotics companies eyeing construction for next expansion

Friday, June 30, 2023

Laughing at the news of the day with two Boston comedians

Boston group wants to create an inclusive space for fans of Formula 1 racing

We speak with two local women who have created a Formula 1 online and in-person community meant to cater to fans of all interests and levels of knowledge.

Affirmative action is overturned. What's next for Mass. universities?

Universities across the country will have to look for ways to ensure diversity and a sense of belonging on campuses.