

Quarterly Issues/Programs List
 “Morning Edition and All Things Considered”
 (January, February, March 2023)

General:

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Aired:	Dur:	Segment Content:
3/16/23 5:49 & 7:49	4:15	COG: HAIR AND HEMLINES/Swift: Women occupy most of Massachusetts' statewide elected offices. But former Acting Governor Jane Swift says they're still scrutinized for differently than men.
3/29/23 6:22 & 8:22	7:13	MEL KING OBIT/Larkin: Mel King, one of the most prominent activists and Black politicians of Boston's 20th century, has died at age 94:

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2/2/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	8:50	AFGHAN REFUGEES/mullins ATC-R02A Afghan refugee families have spent the last year living in a church basement, due in part to the crunch/lack of availability of affordable housing, especially for refugees. We check-in with the family and look at the challenge of housing for refugees.
2/3/23 5:35:35	3:25	UNHOUSED IN COLD WEATHER/Rios ATC-F03A Some people who are unhoused discuss why they are reluctant to go into shelters during the extremely cold weather that has arrived in Boston, and how organizations including the Boston Public Library try to provide some warmth and encouragement for people to seek shelter.
2/14/23 5:44:00	5:04:	PFAS DRINKING WATER/Moran ATC-T14A Turning on the tap in Massachusetts may get more expensive, as communities try to remove dangerous forever chemicals from their drinking water. .
2/15/23 4:44:00	5:35:	PFAS WELLS/Moran: Expensive tests and a lack of state oversight have left Massachusetts residents who rely on well water vulnerable to forever chemicals. ATC-T15A
2/23/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	7:15	UKRAINE COUPLE/Mullins two-way ATC-R23C
3/21/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	7:00	PLASTICS two-way ATC-T21A Boston College researcher Phil Landrigan details the new research the international committee he leads released today on the prevalence of plastics in our environment and its health impacts, and

		the regulations the committee is seeking on plastics as a result
3/28/23 4:50:00	6:10	BRAINTREE CHEMICAL FIRE/Wasser ATC-T28B Residents in Braintree area are urging local leaders to improve emergency response planning following a recent fire at a chemical waste facility in the city.
3/28/23 5:44:00	5:20	HERNANDEZ PHONE CALLS/Wallack ATC-T28A WBUR and Boston Globe obtain recordings of the final phone calls made from prison of Aaron Hernandez, former New England Patriots player who died by suicide in prison.
3/29/23 4:44:00	7:15	MEL KING OBIT/Larkin NWS-W29B Max Larkin remembers Boston civil rights activist and politician Mel King upon King's death at age 93
3/29/23 5:50:00	5:30	MEL KING REMEMBERED/Rushing two-way ATC-W29C Friend, former colleague of Mel King, Byron Rushing, former state rep, remembers the Boston civil rights activist and politician King who has died.

Economic and Business:

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2/21/23 6:44 & 8:44	5:45	CHINATOWN TRUST/Rios: A non-profit in Boston's Chinatown is buying properties to try to make home ownership affordable.
2/23/23 6:21 & 8:21	4:45	COMFORT KITCHEN/Shenoy: We meet the immigrant owners of a new Boston restaurant. They're giving a new twist to world cuisine on the plate, and the menu.
3/6/23 6:22 & 8:22	7:05	POLAND SPRING ACCOUNTABILITY/Sharon: Residents of a small Maine town that provides water to Poland Spring are calling for more oversight of the company.
3/10/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:03	DraftKings/Wuthmann: And mobile sports gambling launches in Massachusetts today. I'll bet you've seen the ads.
3/10/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:31	Gambling Health/Shenoy: With mobile sports betting launching today in Massachusetts -- we look at the safeguards in place and what to watch out for.
3/14/23 7:45	4:10	SVB LOCAL REAX/Healy Debrief: Massachusetts customers race to retrieve their deposits from Silicon Valley Bank, and try to decide which banks to trust.
3/15/23 5:22 & 7:22	7:15	DIGITAL DIVIDE/Cohen: Massachusetts employers say they're facing a labor shortage. But, some potential workers don't have the tools or training to apply for jobs online.

3/17/23 5:22 & 7:22	3:00	SVB COMEBACK: Are federal guarantees and new management enough to convince Boston-area customers to keep their money in Silicon Valley Bridge Bank?
3/31/23 6:45 & 8:20	5:10	RENTAL PROTECTION/Turley 2-Way: Pandemic era protections against eviction end today in Massachusetts. Housing advocates fear some tenants may be forced into homelessness

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1/31/23 4:44:00, 6:20:35	3:31	SPORTS BET DAY ONE/Wuthmann ATC-T31B Massachusetts begins legal sports betting. On day one of wagering at casinos, we hear from excited gamblers, and discuss what the new program will mean for state revenue, and about concerns about problem wagering.
3/13/23 5:35:35	2:35	SVB SCRAMBLE/Wuthmann ATC-M13A MASSACHUSETTS START-UP COMPANY FOUNDERS AND EMPLOYEES DESCRIBE HOW THEY SPENT THIS DAY TRYING TO GET ACCESS TO THEIR MONEY AFTER THE FEDS TOOK OVER SILICON VALLEY BANK. WHY THEY ARE BOTH RELIEVED, BUT ALSO STILL A BIT UNCERTAIN NOW THAT THE FEDS HAVE GUARANTEES ACCESS TO ALL THE MONEY INVOLVED IN THE BANK COLLAPSE

Education:

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1/2/23 6:47 & 8:45	3:08	OLLI/Larkin: Online courses are a challenge and an opportunity for older adults at UMass Boston
1/18/23 6:45 & 8:45	5:05	ELECTED SCHOOL COMMITTEE/Larkin Debrief: Boston's proposed move to an elected school committee has stalled. Is Mayor Michele Wu quietly resisting the change?
1/23/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:15	ELECTRIC SCHOOL BUS/Jung: Some Massachusetts school districts are switching from diesel to electric buses. Kids are noticing the difference, even though some parts of their ride haven't changed.
3/24/23 5:45 & 7:45	5:20	NEW IEP FORM/Jung: Massachusetts officials are revising the form that helps plan services for students with special needs. They say the changes will give parents and students more input.

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Medical and Healthcare:

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1/9/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:51	COVID UPDATE/Dayal McCluskey Debrief: Covid cases and hospitalizations are up, but local doctors see encouraging signs.
1/20/23 5:22 & 7:22	6:55	ER DIVERSION/Bebinger: Massachusetts introduced a program last year to treat some kids with psychiatric problems outside of hospitals. This morning, we report on how this diversion program is working for one family.
2/6/23 5:23 & 7:23	6:00	MATERNAL BLOOD PRESSURE/Dayal McCluskey: A Boston hospital is using high-tech at-home blood pressure tests to try to overcome racial disparities in maternal health.
2/8/23 5:47 & 7:45	3:30	ABORTION ACCESS/Srinivasa: New data shows a surge in people coming to New England to obtain abortions since the US Supreme Court overturned Roe v Wade.
2/21/23 5:52 & 7:52	6:55	COG: FARMER ONE YEAR LATER: One year after the death of global health pioneer Dr. Paul Farmer, former colleagues try to move forward, and carry on his work.
3/10/23 6:22 & 8:22	4:18	Pandemic 3YR/Shenoy: Lessons from three years of COVID in Massachusetts - and what lies ahead:
3/13/23 5:34 & 7:34	7:56	ORDERED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT/Becker: [Massachusetts is one of three states that doesn't allow a judge to mandate mental health treatment outside a psychiatric facility. Now there's an effort to change that:

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1/17/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	9:12	KIDDER-O'CONNELL 3-WAY/Mullins ATC-T17B We air a discussion with author Tracy Kidder and Dr. Jim O'Connell re: Kidder's book about O'Connell's creation and longtime participation in the Healthcare for the Homeless Program.

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Politics and Government:

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1/3/23 6:23 & 8:22	6:27	Baker Legacy/Brown: [Gov. Baker leaves office this week after eight years and one global pandemic. We look back at Baker's two-terms as he prepares to start a new job as the head of the NCAA]
1/5/23 5:23 & 7:23	6:15	HEALEY PREPARES/Brooks: As she prepares for her inauguration as Massachusetts Governor, Maura Healey looks to the challenges and opportunities ahead.
1/6/23 5:45 & 7:45	5:10	HEALEY INAUGURAL/Brooks: Maura Healey takes the oath as Governor of Massachusetts.
1/9/23 5:45 & 7:45	5:15	CONLON SUIT/Becker: The parents of a man killed by Newton police are suing, arguing the city didn't respond correctly to their son's mental health crisis.
1/12/23 6:46 & 8:45	3:40	DPU OVERSIGHT/Healy: The state Department of Public Utilities is under fire for lax oversight of the MBTA --allowing the T to delay repairs and miss deadlines for accident reports.
1/13/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:57	CAMBRIDGE POLICE SHOOTING/Becker Debrief: An angry audience confronts Cambridge officials over the police shooting of a 2-year old man. The officer is on paid administrative leave.
1/19/23 5:52 & 7:52	7:00	FALL RIVER COP/Berke: A family hopes the recent arrest of a Fall River police officer will help reopen an investigation into a police shooting five years ago.
1/24/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:50	HEALEY HOUSING/Rios: Advocates hope that Massachusetts Governor Maura Healey's early focus on affordable housing will lead to action on Beacon Hill.
1/26/23 6:46 & 8:45	3:05	STATE OF THE CITY/Wuthmann: Boston Mayor Michele Wu delivers her first State of the City address.
1/27/23 5:22 & 7:22	5:56	Mattapan Plan/Shenoy: We head to Mattapan - where a development effort aims to address Boston's racial wealth gap - and preserve the community's character:
1/30/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:15	GOP CROSSROADS/Brown: Massachusetts Republicans are out of power and low on cash. Some in the party say it's time for new leadership.

2/1/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:12	NEW GOP CHAIR/Brown Debrief: Massachusetts Republicans choose a new party chair, who vows to make the state GOP more inclusive.
2/3/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:07	FAULK EXIT/Shenoy 2-Way: As he prepares for his final day as Boston's Senior Advisor for Public Safety, Rufus Faulk looks back at how crime and gun violence in the city have changed.
2/7/23 5:45 & 7:45	5:05	ROOT ANNIVERSARY/Shenoy 2-Way: Three years ago today, Juston Root was shot and killed by Boston police officers. His sister has become an activist for police reform.
2/8/23 6:45 & 8:45	5:30	BOSTON REPARATIONS/Feaster: We talk with the head of Boston's new task force considering reparations for descendants of enslaved people.
2/27/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:20	HEALEY BUDGET PREVIEW/Brown: Awaiting Governor Maura Healey's first state budget proposal, and what it indicates about her priorities for Massachusetts.
2/28/23 7:45	4:32	BLACK EMPOWERMENT/Sullivan 2-Way: We speak with Tanisha Sullivan, co-chair of Governor Maura Healey's new Advisory Council on Black Empowerment.
3/2/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:34	SNAP BENEFITS/2-Way: Expanded SNAP benefits are ending. How will it affect the hundreds of thousands of Massachusetts households receiving assistance?
3/8/23 6:45 & 8:45	3:38	UMASS OFFICER/Wuthmann Debrief: An investigation finds UMass Dartmouth covered up sexual assault allegations against one of its police officers.
3/16/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:12	VET SECRETARY/Santiago 2-Way: A conversation with Massachusetts' first cabinet-level Veterans' Secretary, Jon Santiago.
3/17/23 5:25 & 7:25	4:10	ENVIRO JUSTICE/Power 2-Way: Maria Belen Power outlines her goals as Massachusetts' first Under Secretary for Environmental Justice and Equity.
3/28/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:38	FAMILY SHELTER/Emanuel: A lawsuit settlement could reshape Massachusetts system for sheltering families experiencing homelessness.
3/31/23 5:45 & 7:48	4:05	T SLOWDOWNS/Perdomo Hernandez: MBTA passengers are frustrated by unreliable service and slow trains. Some are even giving up, and buying cars.

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1/3/23 4:44:00, 6:20:35	4:20	BAKER FAREWELL ADDRESS/Brown ATC-T03A We air an excerpt of Governor Charlie Baker's farewell address to residents today as he prepares to leave office later this week after two-terms.
1/5/23 4:20:35, 6:20:35	5:25	HEALEY INAUGURATION/Brown ATC-R05A Steve Brown recaps that inauguration of maura healey and her plans for the state and reaction to her address.

Crime:

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2/9/23 6:45 & 8:45	5:05	CLANCY TREATMENT/Becker: The case of a Duxbury mom accused of murdering her three children is shining new light on treatment for post-partum depreassion.
3/28/23 5:45 & 7:45	5:05	HERNANDEZ TAPES/Wallack: Newly released recordings of New England Patriots player Aaron Hernandez's final calls from prison raise new questions about his suicide.

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Science and Technology:

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2/22/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:10	EMERALD ASH BORER/Skahill: An imported wasp may be helping the fight against a parasite threatening New England's ash trees.

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Religion:

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Weather and Environmental:

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1/10/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:20	ANESTHESIA REPORTS: Clinicians at Mass General Hospital are now getting monthly reports on the climate impacts of the anesthetics they're using.
1/19/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:40	VINEYARD WIND/Wasser Debrief: The off-shore Vineyard Wind project takes a major step forward, on a windy beach in Barnstable.
2/2/23 5:23 & 7:23	5:45	EV CHARGERS/Moura: More electric vehicle charging stations are coming to Boston, but inequitable distribution is creating some charging deserts.
2/3/23 6:42 & 8:42	2:35	COLD/Noyes 2-Way: We talk with WBUR Meteorologist Danielle Noyes about the record-breaking cold expected to move in later today and last through Sunday
2/13/23 5:23 & 7:22	6:35	EASTIE SUBSTATION/Wasser: The utility Eversource agreed to provide benefits to residents of East Boston, where it's building a controversial substation. But those customers are learning they may be the ones paying for those benefits.
2/14/23 6:45 & 8:45	5:00	PFAS DRINKING WATER/Moran: Turning on the tap in Massachusetts may get more expensive, as communities try to remove dangerous forever chemicals from their drinking water. .
2/15/23 7:44	5:30	PFAS WELLS/Moran: Expensive tests and a lack of state oversight have left Massachusetts residents who rely on well water vulnerable to forever chemicals.
2/16/23 5:22 & 7:23	5:45	PFAS IN THE BODY/Emanuel: As PFAS chemicals are linked to a range of medical problems. Researchers are learning how these forever chemicals differ from other toxins.
2/17/23 7:45	5:10	AVOIDING PFAS/Emanuel: PFAS chemicals are linked to numerous health problems. And, they're very difficult to avoid.
2/27/23 6:42 & 8:42	2:51	SNOW STORM COMING/Noyes 2way: A snow storm is expected tonight into tomorrow. We talk with WBUR Meteorologist Danielle Noyes to get the forecast.
2/28/23 6:33 &	3:13	WINTER STORM/Noyes 2-way: We speak with WBUR Meteorologist Danielle Noyes about the winter storm affecting the area today.

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3/1/23 6:23 & 8:22	6:18	SAUGUS INCINERATOR/Moura: A waste company is pushing to expand its landfill, even though it sits in a protected marsh.
3/9/23 6:45 & 8:45	5:30	MILD WINTERS/Rios: Climate change could be making mild Boston winters the norm. Warm temperatures and little snow are affecting our environment, and our character.
3/29/23 5:23 & 7:35	6:35	BRAINTREE FIRE/Wasser: One month after a chemical fire at a hazardous waste facility in Braintree, residents from around the area are calling for better emergency planning.
3/30/23 6:34 & 8:36	6:35	PFAS SLUDGE/Moran: Some PFAS chemicals from wastewater are being converted to fertilizer. Environmental advocates say they're making soil toxic for plants and animals.

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2/3/23 4:35:35, 6:06:30	4:40	ARCTIC WEATHER/Noyes two-way ATC-F03C Meteorologist Danielle Noyes provides an update on the frigid forecast for some of the coldest temps and wind chills we've seen in 7 years.
2/27/23 4:35:35, 6:06:30	4:00	SNOW FORECAST/Noyes 2-way ATC-M27B meteorologist danielle noyes provides update on snow forecast for tomorrow in Massachusetts, which could be largest snowfall in the area in roughly one year.
3/13/23 4:35:35, 6:06:30	4:30	STORM FORECAST/Noyes 2-way ATC-M13B METEOROLOGIST DANIELLE NOYES PROVIDES UPDATE ON SNOW/RAIN/WIND FORECAST FOR UPCOMING NOR'EASTER
3/14/23 4:35:35, 5:35:35	4:00	NOR'EASTER/two-way LIVE CONVERSATION WITH METEOROLOGIST DANIELLE NOYES FOR AN UPDATE ON THE ONGOING NOREASTER BRINGING SNOW, RAIN AND WIND TO THE AREA.

Arts, Culture, Media:

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1/12/23 5:52 & 7:52	7:00	THE EMBRACE/Shenoy 2-way: After decades of effort, a large monument to Dr. Martin Luther King and Coretta Scott King is ready for unveiling on Boston Common.
1/13/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:40	ARROW STREET THEATER/Mason: A non-profit takes over the vacant Oberon Theater space in Cambridge, with big plans for a multi-arts space
1/26/23 5:22 & 7:22	5:40	DUMPLING FACTORY/Shea: A Boston-area restaurant reboots and aims for world dumpling domination, by letting diners see how it's done.
1/27/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:31	ManRay/Mason: A beloved Cambridge nightclub of the 80s and 90s is back - after nearly two decades:
2/13/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:35	HANGING OUT/Shea: A Vermont Professor says it's time to take a break from our phones and calendars and re-discover the lost art of just hanging out.
2/14/23 5:26 & 7:26	3:40	COG: BOOK LOVE: A Valentine's Day love story featuring a Massachusetts bookstore owner, her customers', and their favorite words in print.
2/17/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:46	PRIDE RETURNS/Shenoy 2-Way: Boston's Pride Parade will return this year, under new leadership.
2/24/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:40	LEAGUE OF WOMEN/Gray: The effort to restore the legacy and real estate of Boston's League of Women, a significant part of the city's Black history.
2/24/23 5:51 & 7:51	3:20	SULLIVANS/Audio Postcard: Tomorrow is opening day for Sullivan's concession stand on Boston's Castle Island. Staff and management are making final preparations.
3/1/23 5:45 & 7:44	5:10	LIZARD LOUNGE/Guerra: Cambridge's Lizard lounge celebrates more than two decades of "poetry jam" nights – and the man behind the tradition:
3/3/23 5:45 & 7:45	4:34	T MUSICAL/Guerra: Frustrated by persistent problems on the T? Why not sing about them?
3/7/23 6:45 & 8:45	5:10	JACE CLAYTON/Shea: A new sound installation at a Boston museum where music from your smartphone is what's on display.
3/21/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:05	BLUEBEARD/Stanley: We preview a new interpretation of the opera "Bluebeard's Castle", premiering in Boston this week.
3/27/23 6:45 & 8:45	1:40	CASEY AT THE BAT POSTCARD/Shenoy: We take a look at the local ties to the famous poem "Casey at the Bat," which was written by a Massachusetts author more than a century ago.

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1/13/23 5:44:00	2:35	THE EMBRACE/Guerra ATC-F13B Boston unveils first new monument on Boston common in 60 years, the embrace sculpture is a tribute to martin luther king jr and his wife coretta. we hear some of the program that unveiled the memorial and hear from someone who came to see it to find out what it means to them.
2/23/23 5:50:00	5:55	SOUND ON: LITTLE FUSS/Mason ATC-R23A Amelia Mason profiles the Boston-based indie-pop band Little Fuss in ongoing series about emerging local musicians.
3/2/23 4:50:00, 6:20:35	7:15	THE CONFIDANTE/Mullins two-way ATC-R02A Lisa interview local history teacher Christopher Gorham on the biography he wrote about Anna Rosenberg, an influential woman in 20th century history, who advised presidents but has been largely little known.
3/30/23 4:44:00	8:15	ARLO GUTHRIE/Mullins ATC-R30A Folk legend Arlo Guthrie prepares to return to the stage after hiatus, with a discussion series that begins in Boston. Lisa speaks with Arlo for this two-way.

Sports:

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3/30/23 5:45 & 7:50	4:05	SOX PREVIEW/Becker 2-Way: It's Opening day at Fenway. What can fans expect from the Red Sox' new players and Major League Baseball's new rules?
3/31/23 5:50 & 7:52	3:40	OPENING DAY/Brooks: The new baseball season brings new hope to Red Sox fans at Fenway.

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3/30/23 4:44:00	4:00	SOX OPENER/Brooks LIVE Anthony Brooks reports on opening day for the Red Sox at Fenway, what fans think of the team, and the new changes to the way baseball is played/the rules of the game.

National/International:

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1/4/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:23	HOUSE CHAOS/Trahan 2-Way: We talk with Rep. Lori Trahan about the Republicans' stalemate over picking a Speaker and her plans for the upcoming Congress.
1/30/23 6:34 & 8:34	3:00	MEMPHIS LOC REAX/Wuthman: People pushing for police reforms here in Boston are frustrated by the police beating death of Tyre Nichols in Memphis
3/22/23 6:45 & 8:45	4:50	POLINA/Bookman: A teenage tennis player was forced to flee Ukraine after the Russian invasion. Now she's finding her footing in New Hampshire.
3/31/23 8:35	4:52	TRUMP LOCAL REAX/Carnevale 2-Way: We talk with Massachusetts State GOP Chair Amy Carnevale about the indictment of Donald Trump.

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Quarterly Issues/Programs List

“On Point”

(January, February, March 2023)

January 2023

Monday, January 2, 2023

Rebroadcast: How climate change is moving the world's forests north

Trees are on the move. Because of climate change, the world's forests are heading north. What does this mean for us and our survival?

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

The Money Ladies' New Year's guide to the economy

The Money Ladies are back. Michelle Singletary and Rana Foroohar will be our guides for what to watch for in your personal finance and national economy this year.

Wednesday, January 4, 2023

The real winners and losers in America's lottery obsession

Americans spend almost \$100 billion a year on state lotteries. Why do so many states receive just a fraction of that money?

Thursday, January 5, 2023

What to expect from a GOP-controlled House

The GOP has taken back the House. But with a fractious caucus, and an ascendant far-right wing, how will Republicans run the House and what do they want to achieve...

Friday, January 6, 2023

Psychedelics and who should be able to use them

When psychedelic drugs were banned by federal law in 1970, it ended a debate over who should have access to them. Now that debate has been reignited.

Monday, January 9, 2023

Concerns, contradictions and the continued use of the death penalty in the U.S.

After a series of botched executions, Alabama could soon begin executing death row incarcerated people using lethal gas. Oklahoma, Mississippi, Missouri, California, Wyoming and Arizona have legalized execution by lethal...

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

How AI chatbots are changing how we write and who we trust

ChatGPT is one of the most sophisticated AI chatbots ever released. A high school teacher says it writes better than some students. But what happens when we can't tell the...

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

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Earth's growing population: 'A direct affront to our own survival'

Elizabeth Hadly is a professor of biology at Stanford University, and director of the Jasper Ridge Biological Preserve in California's Santa Cruz Mountains. For four decades, she's been an eyewitness...

Thursday, January 12, 2023

How fast fashion and social media fuel a high consumption, low quality world

Fast fashion retailers like Shein sell t-shirts for less than \$5 apiece. This business model, along with social media, fuels an erosion in the quality of clothing at every level....

Friday, January 13, 2023

Can gun liability insurance make our neighborhoods safer?

The nation's first gun insurance mandate took effect this year in San Jose, California. Gunowners in the city are required to have liability insurance, or they'll be fined a minimum...

Monday, January 16, 2023

Moms Demand Action founder Shannon Watts on a decade of taking on the NRA

In 2012, horrified by the Sandy Hook school shooting, stay-at-home mom Shannon Watts founded Moms Demand Action. It's now one of the largest anti-gun violence groups in the nation.

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

New guidelines recommend early, aggressive treatment for childhood obesity

The American Academy of Pediatrics has released new guidelines to tackle the obesity epidemic.

They're calling for family counseling, early treatment with drugs and even surgery. Can pediatricians turn the...

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

Inside the mind of a fabulist

Representative George Santos has lied about almost every aspect of his life. How do uncontrolled fabulists get that way -- going way beyond the little fibs we all tell --...

Thursday, January 19, 2023

Is it time to rethink how we care for dementia patients?

In Europe there are 'dementia villages' where residents can live freely despite their memory loss.

Could that work here in the United States?

Friday, January 20, 2023

The future of small colleges

College enrollment is down across the nation. Demographic changes are largely driving that. What does the decline mean for the future of small colleges?

Monday, January 23, 2023

'The fight of his life': Journalist Chris Whipple's inside look at the Biden White House

So far, the presidency of Joe Biden has seen some big legislative successes, but a disastrous withdrawal from Afghanistan. With a new Republican House majority determined to block his agenda,...

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Tuesday, January 24, 2023

Rethinking diversity, equity and inclusion training

Almost every major company in the U.S. requires their employees to participate in diversity, equity and inclusion training. But is DEI training achieving what it aims to do?

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

The U.S. immigration crisis through the eyes of a border town mayor

Until recently Bruno Lozano was the mayor of Del Rio, Texas. Once seen as a rising star in the Democratic party, he's now a fierce critic of President Biden's handling...

Thursday, January 26, 2023

Why some anxiety is good, even though it feels bad

Over 40 million adults in America suffer from an anxiety disorder. But anxiety, the emotion, has an evolutionary purpose: It helps us prepare for an uncertain future.

Friday, January 27, 2023

The GOP's ambitions in the House

House Republicans are getting down to business, drafting legislation to spend more money on border control, less on the IRS. Hardliners are calling for radical changes to social security and...

Monday, January 30, 2023

How the world came together to save the ozone layer

In the 1980s, the world came together to ban CFCs, commonly used chemicals that were destroying the atmosphere's ozone layer. Are there lessons we can apply to tackling climate change?

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Mormon women confront power and patriarchy in the LDS church

This month, a Utah man murdered his wife, and their five children, and his mother-in-law, before killing himself. That's sparked a conversation among Mormon women about power and safety in...

February 2023

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

Do 'elite' police teams like Memphis's SCORPION unit do more harm than good?

Special police units like the now-disbanded SCORPION team in Memphis are common around the country. Police chiefs say they're essential for fighting crime. Critics say their elite status and lack...

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Rebroadcast: The Eichmann tapes and the comforting myth of the 'banality of evil'

The banality of evil. That was Hannah Arendt's famous observation during the trial of Adolf Eichmann, the 'architect of the Holocaust.' Now, there's evidence that Eichmann's evil was anything but...

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Friday, February 3, 2023

Everyday awe: Science's answer to your search for happiness

How do you find deep happiness? Researcher Dacher Keltner says the answer is to find everyday wonder.

Monday, February 6, 2023

Why more Americans are choosing to live in multigenerational housing

One in five Americans now live with their parents, grandparents, or adult children -- all under one roof. It's a remarkable change from a few generations ago.

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

What life is like for women under Taliban rule

The Taliban promised they would honor Afghan women's rights. Instead, they have banned women from universities, even required covering the faces of female mannequins.

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

Biden's populist moment: Jack Beatty on the State of the Union address

Populism, border politics and primaries. In this podcast special, On Point news analyst Jack Beatty highlights key moments from President Biden's second State of the Union address.

Thursday, February 9, 2023

How the ultra-rich avoid paying taxes

In the 1980s, a lawyer devised a tax dodge that would save the ultra-rich millions. In the 1990s, Congress stepped in to make the maneuver even more lucrative.

Friday, February 10, 2023

Why Congress quietly just gave the FDA more power

Congress recently, and quietly, gave the FDA the power to prohibit off-label uses of medical devices. What's behind that change and what it could mean for prescription medication?

Monday, February 13, 2023

How will the West adapt as the Colorado River diminishes?

The federal government asked the seven Colorado River Basin states for a plan to cut water. All came to an agreement – except California. Now the federal government may have...

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

What China's spy balloon reveals about Chinese and U.S. espionage and diplomacy

Before the shooting down of more unidentified aerial objects over the past few days, there was the China spy balloon. That gave us a rare glimpse into spycraft between the...

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

Trade wars: Examining the Biden administration's China policy

A deal with the Netherlands and Japan marks America's latest effort to curb China's semiconductor production. National security, meets economic rivalry, meets trade war geo-politics.

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Thursday, February 16, 2023

Child sexual abuse material is on the rise online. Will lawmakers and big tech finally act?
There is more child sexual abuse content online than ever before. And not just on the dark web, but on platforms like Facebook, Twitter, and Snapchat. What can the major...

Friday, February 17, 2023

What Amazon's push into health care means for patients
Amazon is no longer content with being your go-to retailer, streaming service, or smart speaker. The trillion-dollar company now wants to be your doctor's office and your pharmacy.

Monday, February 20, 2023

'For as long as it takes': Can the West keep its promise to Ukraine?
It's been nearly a year since Russia invaded Ukraine. Both sides are preparing for new offensives. Can NATO keep its promise to stand with Kyiv for as long as it...

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Daily life in Ukraine after a year of war
Since Russia invaded Ukraine one year ago this week – nearly 8,000 civilians have been killed, 11,000 injured and millions displaced. We hear from Ukrainians about their year of living...

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

How American educators can better teach the history of slavery
Contemporary political battles have put school classrooms at the center of a debate about race and our country's history. How should American educators be teaching the history of slavery?

Thursday, February 23, 2023

What the Ohio train derailment tells us about rail safety in the U.S.
When a train carrying hazardous materials derailed in East Palestine, Ohio, residents were forced to evacuate. Industry critics say lax safety regulations and industry lobbyists set the stage for this...

Friday, February 24, 2023

'60 is the new 50': As life expectancy rises, how Americans are embracing life's third act
100 years ago, average life expectancy in the U.S. was 47. Today, it's closer to 80 -- and lots of people are using those extra 30 years to reinvent themselves....

Monday, February 27, 2023

Who benefits, who loses from the occupational licensing system?
Since the 1950s, the number of occupations requiring a state license has ballooned. Who benefits, who loses when one in four workers in America need a license to do their...

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

'Blood Money': Inside the global business of selling plasma
Millions of Americans sell their blood plasma every year. It's part of a global, multibillion dollar business.

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March 2023

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

'The last supper': How a 1993 Pentagon dinner reshaped the defense industry
Thirty years ago, a secret dinner at the Pentagon led to a flurry of consolidation in the defense industry. We hear the story of that so-called "last supper" and what...

Thursday, March 2, 2023

What can Russian sanctions achieve?
The international community responded to Russia's invasion of Ukraine with harsh sanctions. But a year later, Russia is still fighting in Ukraine. Have sanctions failed?

Friday, March 3, 2023

The politics and policies behind Ron DeSantis's reshaping of Florida education
Florida governor Ron DeSantis is making changes to public K-12 education. How are his policies and politics impacting Florida classrooms?

Monday, March 6, 2023

Could a four-day work week work in the United States?
When dozens of companies in the U.K. experimented with a four-day work week, employers and employees loved it. Could a four-day work week work in the United States?

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

Courts, profit and the monetization of America's justice system
Injustice in America's for-profit justice system. When profit becomes the point, families become targets of the very justice system that is meant to protect everyone.

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

The science and politics of COVID natural immunity
More studies are finding that natural immunity from COVID can be as protective as vaccination. U.S. health leaders knew this in 2021 — but most didn't publicly acknowledge it. Why?

Thursday, March 9, 2023

Journalist Hannah Barnes on the inside story of the collapse of Tavistock's gender identity clinic
Following a scathing independent report last year, Britain is shutting down its leading gender identity clinic. We'll talk about what led to the closure, and how the debate over "gender..."

Friday, March 10, 2023

Cartoonist Barbara Brandon-Croft on being the first Black woman with a nationally syndicated comic
Barbara Brandon-Croft is the first Black female cartoonist to be nationally syndicated. Her comic strip, "Where I'm Coming From," ran from 1991 to 2005 and featured nine Black women who...

Monday, March 13, 2023

Why losing parasites could have devastating effects on our ecosystem

Parasites. Cause of human disease. Big on the yuck-factor. It's easy to think of them as doing no good - but researchers say that's the wrong way to think of...

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

The fight for control of the St. Louis police force

The State of Missouri controlled the St. Louis police force from the Civil War until a decade ago. Now Republican state politicians want that power back. We explore the struggle...

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

In defense of darkness

Earth needs darkness just as much as it needs light. Human light pollution is pushing back the dark, which is changing the natural world, and could be hurting us, too.

Thursday, March 16, 2023

The abortion pill lawsuit that could change how the FDA approves drugs

A Texas lawsuit attempting to ban the abortion pill could undermine how the FDA approves drugs. If the plaintiffs succeed, experts say the pharmaceutical industry could be thrown into chaos...

Friday, March 17, 2023

'Battle for your brain': What the rise of brain-computer interface technology means for you

Computer brain interfaces used to be the stuff of science fiction. Now, headphones and earbuds with sensors that can read your brain waves – and sell your data – are...

Monday, March 20, 2023

Silicon Valley Bank's collapse: What happens when mid-sized banks get too big to fail

The collapse of Silicon Valley Bank marks the second largest bank failure in America's history. Some say a 2018 rollback on bank regulations helped cause it. What happens when so-called...

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Why mental health is declining for teenage girls in the U.S.

Teen mental health is declining, particularly among girls. The pressure of social media is often cited as a leading cause. But that's not the full story behind the mental health...

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

How Turkey's hasty rebuild could set the nation up for another disaster

Just three weeks after the catastrophic earthquake in Turkey, reconstruction was already underway.

Turkey's president, Recep Tayyip Erdoğan has promised to rebuild in one year. But is racing to rebuild...

Thursday, March 23, 2023

Sociologist Matthew Desmond on why poverty persists in America

In America we have the wealth and the know-how to end poverty, so why don't we? Sociologist Matthew Desmond seeks answers in his new book "Poverty, By America."

Friday, March 24, 2023

Donald Trump's potential indictment and its national implications

For the first time in U.S. history, a former president may be charged with a serious crime. We discuss the legal and political fallout of the possible indictment of Donald...

Monday, March 27, 2023

Should the U.S. fear TikTok?

The U.S. is considering banning the hugely popular video-sharing app TikTok, over concerns that its Chinese ownership poses a threat to national security. What's to fear about TikTok?

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Is democracy threatened when lawmakers support insurrectionists?

Sitting members of Congress are aiding January 6th defendants. Visiting them in jail, releasing raw Capitol footage to Fox news. We hear what it means when members of Congress back...

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

What's at the root of Israel's democratic crisis

Mass protest in Israel have delayed Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's attempts to transform Israel's judiciary. But there are signs of deeper troubles for Israeli democracy.

Thursday, March 30, 2023

The American invasion of Iraq through an Iraqi's eyes

20 years after the U.S. invaded Iraq, congress is quietly repealing its authorization of the war. We look back at the past two decades in Iraq, through an Iraqi's eyes.

Friday, March 31, 2023

Why some states are rolling back telehealth access

The COVID pandemic paved the way for widespread use of telehealth doctor's appointments. They worked. But some states are rolling back access to virtual visits.

Quarterly Issues/Programs List

“Here And Now”

(January, February, March 2023)

January 2023

Monday, January 2, 2023

Remembering Barbara Walters: Pioneer journalist, celebrity

She was the first woman to co-host NBC's Today show and co-creator of "The View."

Cold water dipping is life-changing for these women

They go cold water dipping together — slowly immersing themselves in icy waters for an exhilarating few minutes.

An activist's release from prison sparks debate on the U.S.'s stance on Taiwan

For decades, Taiwan residents have accepted Washington's deliberately ambiguous stance towards the island. But Chinese aggression is causing people there to demand stronger security commitments.

What's entered the public domain this year?

A few works from 1927 are coming our way.

How we seek out information could change drastically with chatbots

Might Google, that search engine that revolutionized how we all get information, soon be a thing of the past?

A look back at the Ukrainian counteroffensive that reshaped the war against Russia

Those who thought that was the beginning of the end of the conflict were wrong.

Protesters demand action over police killing of Jaheim McMillan

Protesters gathered in Gulfport, Mississippi on New Year's Day to call for the release of bodycam footage in the police killing of a 15-year-old Black teenager Jaheim McMillan.

Pope Benedict XVI's life and legacy

Pope Benedict XVI died this weekend. The 95-year-old pope emeritus shocked the world when he resigned in 2013.

Financial and investing resolutions for 2023

If you have a retirement plan or a college-savings plan, it can be dispiriting to look at the balances. So, what hope could there be for 2023?

A record number of women are becoming state governors this year

Thanks to a strong showing in governor races across the country, 12 women will be state governors this year — eclipsing the previous record of nine.

Antibiotics shortage has doctors and families of children with sickle cell disease worried
Penicillin is not on the government shortage list but there are reports that the common antibiotic is getting more difficult to find across the country.

Lula sworn in as Brazil's president for the 3rd time
The far-right incumbent Jair Bolsonaro was noticeably absent during the inauguration, breaking with tradition.

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

How do dogs smell time?

Like people, our furry friends use light cues to tell time, but they have another trick: smell.

How Blondie's music stood the test of time, according to Debbie Harry and Chris Stein
"Blondie: Against The Odds 1974-1982" is nominated for a Grammy for best historical album.

China's possibly irreplaceable role in manufacturing
Cutting away from China's supply chain role is easier said than done.

Historian Peniel Joseph on the third period of reconstruction
Joseph argues that we are in a third era of Reconstruction now.

Coal mines and power plants keep shutting down. Economic help hasn't come
There have been years of warnings about coal mines and power plants shutting down on the Navajo Reservation.

118th Congress opens with chaotic leadership election

Kevin McCarthy had a hard time Tuesday lining up all of the votes needed within his own party to become the next Speaker of the House.

'Song of Silver, Flame Like Night': New fantasy novel examines the cost of power and imperialism
The new Chinese history-inspired fantasy novel by Amélie Wen Zhao lands on bookshelves Tuesday.

California joins several states covering doula services for low-income mothers and babies
Advocates say one way to address the high rate of maternal deaths in the U.S. is to increase support for pregnant people and their families. One approach is to expand...

Rain and snow cause chaos in Northern California
Flooding and rock slides closed portions of roads across Northern California.

In the Great Plains, bison may help lessen the impact of climate change
A three decades study found bison grazing on native prairie transformed the ecosystem.

As Buffalo returns to normal after deadly blizzard, homeless asylum seekers remain vulnerable
Many residents lost power and heat, including at the VIVE shelter, which houses homeless immigrants seeking asylum in the U.S.

Philippines President Marcos goes to Beijing amid flaring tensions with China
The democratically-elected son of a former dictator is under enormous pressure from Filipinos angry at Beijing over what they see as provocations in the South China Sea.

Buffalo Bills Damar Hamlin in critical condition
The 24-year-old received CPR on the field for about 15 minutes before being taken away by ambulance.

Wednesday, January 4, 2023

Health experts dissatisfied with CDC pandemic response forms 'The People's CDC'
Nearly three years later, a group of doctors and public health experts are dissatisfied with the CDC's pandemic response, and they want to do something about it.

'Lost and Found' memoir explores life's simultaneous tangle of joy, grief, love
What if you could sum up human existence with three concepts: losing, finding and the word "and"?

Columbus, Ohio, was stricken by a measles outbreak last week
The majority of those infected are unvaccinated against the disease.

Key state laws take effect in California, Illinois and Florida
The new year brings thousands of new state laws that are now in effect.

IMF head warns that third of world economy to hit recession in 2023
The new year is going to be “tougher than the year we leave behind,” IMF managing director Kristalina Georgieva said on CBS's Face the Nation on Sunday.

Fight over House speakership continues for a second day
Republican Congressman Kevin McCarthy is trying to round up enough votes to become the next House speaker.

Investigation finds corrections officers use physical force on people facing mental health crisis
An investigation of Pennsylvania county jails found that corrections officers often use physical force on people in psychological crisis or who are unable to comply due to a mental health...

Save the sea turtles: This father-daughter conservation duo fights poaching in Costa Rica
New analysis finds between 2010 and 2020, the illegal catch of sea turtles was nearly 30% lower than in the previous decade.

As Major League Cricket kicks off in the U.S., fans are already primed in California's Bay Area
The sport has many fans in California — particularly supporters with ties to South Asian countries like India where cricket has long been popular.

Illinois Statehouse to consider proposal to ban assault weapons when legislative session begins
The bill would outlaw the sale of assault weapons and prohibit residents under the age of 21 from buying a gun.

Congress shows bipartisan support to replace symbol of infrastructure disrepair in Kentucky
On Wednesday, President Biden, Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell and other Republican and Democratic leaders will all gather there to tout how recently-passed infrastructure will help pay to replace the...

Important questions that will shape future politics, answered by a historian
Will President Biden run in 2024? How much inflation will continue? And what does a Republican House majority mean?

Republican strategist blames personal grievances in House speaker impasse
House Republicans are voting for a second day on who will be the House speaker. Several attempts to get California Congressman Kevin McCarthy to the finish line on Tuesday failed.

Thursday, January 5, 2023

As protests in Iran fade, dissent remains, according to journalist Negar Mortazavi
One rights group estimates that close to 500 people have been killed by Iran's security forces as a part of the protests.

Reactions to President Biden's immigration announcement
President Biden is set to make an announcement about immigration on Thursday.

More big tech layoffs to start the new year
Amazon is laying off a record 18,000 employees this year. Salesforce is cutting 10% of its staff too.

New Marc-André Hamelin album features ragtimes by William Bolcom inspired by early 1900s composers
Ragtime music was big at the turn of the 20th century.

President Biden speaks on border security and immigration policy Thursday
President Biden is also expected to make a trip to the southern border soon.

As India's economy grows, women are dropping out of its workforce
In conservative India, if women can afford not to work, they don't.

McCarthy agrees to new concessions in speakership debacle
Rep. Kevin McCarthy has agreed to some concessions in order to convince a group of 20 Republicans to support his bid for speaker of the House.

A small publication tried to warn people about George Santos, but no one listened
By the time other outlets picked it up, it was too late and Santos had been elected.

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'It's good to be home': Wrongfully convicted deportee begins a new chapter
His legal team went to the Department of Homeland Security, petitioned for his case to be reopened and for his status as a green card holder to be restored.

Buy now, pay later makes its way to health care
Patients can defer payment for certain procedures, like fertility or cosmetic services.

Children under 3 years old have only known life in a pandemic. How can Congress help?
Babies, toddlers and their caregivers are facing more and more challenges when it comes to health and economic security.

Californians wake up Thursday to aftermath of another storm
This storm was part of an atmospheric river storm. But what does that mean and how bad was Wednesday night's storm?

California Democrat reflects on House power struggle & what he hopes to get done in Congress
Robert Garcia is the first LGBTQ immigrant and first Peruvian-American to be elected to Congress.

Friday, January 6, 2023

Jason Moran project revisits work of James Reese Europe
James Reese Europe is best known for serving with the Harlem Hellfighters in World War I.

What is the state of the far right today, two years after the Jan. 6 insurrection?
Has all of that the raw violence served to inhibit the far-right movement or embolden it?

Idaho murder suspect appears in court
28-year-old Bryan Kohberger was charged with four counts of murder.

Canadian novel 'Probably Ruby' explores legacy of forced Indigenous adoption and residential schools
The novel, written as a series of vignettes, spans 60 years and follows Ruby, her family and friends as she navigates her search for her family and a sense of...

Week in politics: Biden steps up immigration efforts, far-right Republicans sow chaos
On the second anniversary of the deadly Jan. 6 riot on Capitol Hill, the proceedings of Congress have once again ground to a halt.

Checking in on Buffalo after deadly blizzards, Damar Hamlin
Buffalo has suffered through a series of unfortunate events lately.

EVs and urine sensors: What to know about CES 2023
CES, the Consumer Electronic Show, is back in Las Vegas this year,

Lawsuit says VA isn't doing enough to address racial disparities in veterans' benefits
The agency acknowledges that Black veterans traditionally have been less likely to qualify for benefits.

Inflation forces Americans to rely more on credit cards and loans
Employers added more than 230,000 jobs in December, another sign of continued strength in the labor market.

NFL coaches, players rattled after Damar Hamlin cardiac arrest
Damar Hamlin's cardiac arrest on the football field has rattled the entire league.

Online reactions to the House speakership debacle
Voters are glued to their screens as House Republicans fail to elect a speaker again, and again and again.

The big takeaways from the Jan. 6 committee, 2 years after the day
Last year a Congressional committee investigated the attack on U.S. democracy that day and the lead-up and aftermath, painting a picture of former President Donald Trump and his inner circle's...

Monday, January 9, 2023

What Russia's war in Ukraine means for influence in Central Asia
Russia and China are competing for influence in Central Asia.

Why some people are opting for human composting, an alternative to cremation and standard burial
The process, first legalized in Washington state in 2019, is now also legal in New York, Colorado, Oregon, Vermont and California.

Arrest of journalist in Senegal sparks fear that government critics are being targeted
The arrest of a prominent journalist has sparked unrest and fears that government critics are being targeted.

A screen displays financial news on the floor at the New York Stock Exchange. (Seth Wenig/AP)
Is passive investing the new rule of thumb?
2022 was a rough year for stocks and bonds.

'Stranger at the Gate' short film shows how kindness can change a would-be terrorist's ways
The short film "Stranger at the Gate" has made the shortlist for an Oscar nomination for Best Documentary Short Film.

Texas communities could lose out on millions due to inaccurate broadband maps
The Biden administration's infrastructure law includes \$42 billion to improve broadband access across the country.

What Kevin McCarthy's fight to become House speaker means for legislating this term
The House is set to vote on the rules for how the chamber will operate.

Linguists analyzing recently discovered artifact reveal a longer history of Basque language

Linguists have long thought that the Basque language, which derives from the mountainous region of northern Spain and southern France, was only some 500 years old. Now, the discovery of...

How global energy relationships are changing in 2023

Europe, pulling away from a reliance on Russian gas following the invasion of Ukraine, is seeking energy from other nations. Meanwhile, Russia is now on the hunt for new nations...

Thousands of nurses in New York City go on strike

More than 7,000 nurses are walking off the job as they negotiate for higher pay and more staffing.

How to safely ride a bike in the city, according to an expert

Lots of us would love to ride our bikes to work — but safety is always an issue. Here & Now's Scott Tong knows that firsthand.

Despite proposing a ceasefire, Russia continued to strike Ukraine over the weekend

Russia claims an attack on the city of Kramatorsk killed 600 Ukrainian soldiers. Ukraine and some reporters on the ground say that's not true.

Checking in on the riot in the Brazilian capital

Supporters of former far-right president Jair Bolsonaro stormed government buildings in the Brazilian capital of Brasília on Sunday, to protest what they believe was a stolen election.

Biden visits agents at the border wall, but not migrants sleeping in street

The president was criticized for speaking with officials but not border crossers hoping for his help.

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

Fashion designers dive into the virtual world

In June, Meta (formerly Facebook) announced its launch of an online store where you can pay real-life money for digital outfits.

University founded to give free education to women whose countries deny it

For Afghan women, the list of prohibitions is growing.

Disney changes remote work policies, wants employees back four days a week

Chief executive Bob Iger told employees working hybrid schedules that they would be required to start coming in four days a week after March 1.

Damar Hamlin recovers in Buffalo as NFL players face health issues and inconsistent care

Damar Hamlin's remarkable recovery from a cardiac arrest last week continues.

What we know about the dangerous pollutants emitted by gas stoves

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is considering a federal ban on gas stoves.

Biden, Trudeau and Obrador to meet in Mexico City

They will talk about stemming illegal immigration, fighting illegal drugs and rebuilding manufacturing on the continent.

Extreme heat and dehydration can lead to kidney disease, researchers say

In Nepal, a large number of young men who worked abroad in extreme temperatures are returning home affected by kidney disease.

'The Oppermanns' has lessons for today — almost a century later

Lion Feuchtwanger's 1933 novel tells the story of a wealthy Jewish family in Berlin, Germany, who fall victim to the rise of the Nazis. It was reissued in the fall.

Should cyclists hug the curb or ride in the car lane?

On Monday, we heard a bicycle safety instructor who advises cyclists to ride in the car lane with traffic as a safer alternative to hugging the curb on the right...

Texas legislature takes up ailing Juvenile Justice Department in new session

If lawmakers don't pass a bill, the agency will close down.

A new year with new and old problems for Haitians

As of midnight, Haiti's final elected leaders have left office. With no elections since 2016, the last 10 senators from the 30-seat parliament officially left their roles.

Justice Department investigating Biden classified documents

The president's personal attorneys say they turned over a "small number" of documents with classified markings that they found in a private office that Biden had used after his vice...

Flash floods kill 14 in California as rain persists

The water is the result of the latest atmospheric river to slam the region and despite the ongoing devastation — and the rain shows no sign of letting up.

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

Are induction stoves a good alternative to using gas?

Researchers say gas stoves create harmful indoor pollution that is linked to some cases of childhood asthma.

'M3GAN' demonstrates the power of dolls

Anxieties about artificial intelligence fuel the year's first hit movie.

What this Teen Vogue writer learned from dressing like Bella Hadid for a week

Bella's sense of style is quirky and powerful, but some have wondered: Does she have a great eye or do most clothes just suit her model-thin body?

Tourist destinations prepare for influx of Chinese tourists after country loosens COVID restrictions

After nearly three years of strict pandemic border restrictions, China is back open to the rest of the world.

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Teens coping with aggression and agitation are the majority of repeat emergency room visitors
A new study in JAMA Pediatrics shows that teens suffering from these often-dangerous behaviors make up the largest group of repeat ER visitors, surpassing those with depression and suicidal tendencies.

North American leaders meet in Mexico City

President Biden met with Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador to discuss collaboration on a number of issues including migration and trade.

More heavy rain and high winds hit Sonoma County, California

Thousands are without power.

Investigations continue in Brazil following attack on the capital

Authorities in Brazil issued arrest warrants and are searching for those who aided anti-government rioters in Sunday's attack on official buildings in the South American nation's capital.

Keeping your reading resolution: Books to look out for in 2023

Whether it's nonfiction, fiction or poetry, "The Stacks" host and creator Traci Thomas shares her recommendations for the new year.

Protesters in Iran remain determined amid government crackdowns, executions

Protesters in Iran vow to continue their demonstration.

Golden Globes return after controversies over diversity and corruption

Multiple controversies got the show canceled last year.

House Republicans target the Department of Justice and FBI

With their new majority, House Republicans created a subcommittee to conduct ongoing investigations into federal law enforcement agencies.

Report on Great Salt Lake recommends dramatic water conservation measures

The lake will disappear in five years if water consumption isn't cut almost in half in the next two years.

Mass flight delays across the U.S. after FAA system outage

There were thousands of flights canceled Wednesday morning following an outage of a key information system for flying.

Thursday, January 12, 2023

AG Garland appoints special counsel in Biden document investigation

The president's lawyers turned over the second set of documents found at his home in Delaware this morning.

Dog flu is still with us

How widespread is canine influenza now though and what can you do to protect your pup?

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What is the actual COVID-19 death toll in China?

The government is reporting impossibly low numbers for both cases and deaths.

Government announces large reduction in number of homeless veterans

Efforts to stamp out veteran homelessness sputtered during the Trump era.

Former 'Treme' and 'The Wire' star Wendell Pierce stars in 'Death of a Salesman' on Broadway

For the first time on Broadway, the production centers around a Black Loman family. It closes this Sunday.

Denver says it's closing some shelters it opened to house migrants. Where will they go now?

Denver opened the shelters to handle an increase in the number of migrants coming to the city.

NYC hospitals reach tentative agreement with nurses, ending strike

This was the largest nurses' strike the city has seen in decades.

Remembering legendary rock guitarist Jeff Beck

Beck died Tuesday at age 78.

Syria faces economic hardship

Syrians say they're facing worse economic hardship than at any other time during more than a decade of civil war — even though the president's regime has solidified its hold...

'The Embrace' lets viewers viscerally experience the love and legacy of MLK and Coretta Scott King

The monument depicts the arms of Martin Luther King Jr. and Coretta Scott King wrapped around each other, based on a photograph taken after the 1964 announcement that MLK had...

House Republicans consider cuts to Social Security

Some house Republicans are saying Social Security will be insolvent.

A new generation aims to keep Native language alive in Kodiak, Alaska

Half of Alaska's Kodiak Alutiiq language speakers died in the past two years.

Gun violence in Milwaukee continues to break records

For years, gun violence has been on the rise in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The city broke its homicide record for the third year in a row in 2022.

What happened to the post-pandemic public health reckoning?

In the early days of the pandemic, policymakers said the U.S. was not equipped and therefore needed to reform the public health system. In general, that has not come.

How storms in California are impacting people without homes

The string of storms has left at least 17 people dead since late last month.

Friday, January 13, 2023

When a criminal case like Jen Shah's plays out on reality TV, the public gets a front-row seat
Real housewife Jennifer Shah will serve prison time for her orchestration of a decade-long
telemarketing scheme. And Bravo cameras captured nearly everything leading up to her sentencing.

Could mussels fix coastal erosion? Ecologists are working to find out
More than 40% of the salt marsh in Massachusetts has dwindled since colonial times.

Tesla slashes prices to meet slowing demand
After steady price increases in the past few years, Tesla is now cutting prices.

Chinese 'wolf warrior' diplomat demoted
Analysts say it's a tactical shift in the face of domestic challenges.

How storms are impacting California's drought
Atmospheric rivers are impacting the long-term drought in California.

Californians on the ground used social media to document weather crisis
Our understanding of what's happening on the ground is from everyday people posting videos to social
media.

Biden documents and McCarthy's first week as Speaker dominate week in politics
We discuss the latest on the special counsel investigating President Biden's handling of classified
documents, and Republican Kevin McCarthy's first week as Speaker of the House.

Thousands of seniors just lost cell service
Verizon's shutdown of its 3G system incidentally disconnected Jitterbug phones for thousands of
senior citizens without warning.

'It's coming for everybody': Central Arizona farmers' access to Colorado River dries up completely
On Jan. 1, farmers in Pinal County, Arizona, lost the last remaining access they had to Colorado River
water.

Senegalese journalist released from prison after months-long protests
Pape Ale Niang's supporters worried that his imprisonment signaled a crackdown on the liberal press
freedoms the country had in place.

UFO or unremarkable trash?: A new Pentagon report has details
The search for alien life is expanding — and Congress allocated more funding for exploration in last
year's defense policy bill.

Walgreens walks back claims of organized theft
Last year, the drugstore warned that an increase in organized theft in their stores was damaging profits.

Protests continue in Peru, following deadly clashes

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Questions are swirling about the violent tactics used under new President Dina Boluarte.

Body cam footage shows what happened before Keenan Anderson's death

Police body camera footage released this week shows police trying to detain 31-year-old Keenan Anderson in Venice, California, earlier this month, at one point tasing him for 30 seconds uninterrupted....

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What we know about the death of 2 environmental activists in Honduras

They were leaders of a protest against an iron ore mine in Guapinol.

How an 'anti-planner' helps artist with ADHD get stuff done

Like many Americans, neurodiverse artist Dani Donovan sometimes struggles with feeling overwhelmed or burned out. She gets distracted by screens and can be unmotivated to get stuff done.

This 'Popcorn Guy' wows Texas movie-goers and TikTok

The TikTok sensation works behind the counter, making popcorn of a particularly buttery variety.

The political battle for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Forty years ago, the idea of celebrating the birthday of Martin Luther King as a national holiday was signed into law. The road to winning that recognition included a 15-year...

Native Americans are incarcerated at a rate 38% higher than national average

The report links Native American incarceration rates to the lasting impact of colonial oppression.

Ukraine update: From Soledar to weapons from the UK

We look at what that fight says about the larger war, a leadership change and new weapons headed to Ukraine from the UK.

Why these women love tap

Tap dance has gone in and out of fashion in the U.S. But more women, including women of color, are taking the stage and putting their mark on the dance...

What you didn't learn about Martin Luther King Jr. in school

Scholars say King's message has been misinterpreted over the years by politicians and members of the public, obscuring his anti-racist philosophies and calls to action.

Latino and Mayan immigrant families left out of emergency preparedness in California

The recent storms have made clear that many communities, including Latino and Mayan immigrants in Oakland, have limited access to emergency information and resources.

What one artist discovered going undercover at an international weapons trade show

When you think of arms deals, you may think of a shadowy world of international intrigue. You may not think of giant convention centers with booths, booze and freebies.

House Republicans gear up for spending plan should U.S. breach debt limit
Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen has warned that the U.S. would have to take 'extraordinary measures' to should the country blow past its debt limit this week.

Storms continue to devastate California

After being in a years-long drought, some areas of California have already seen the amount of rain they typically see in the entire year with this series of storms.

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Researchers hope to stave off invasion of giant hornets in Washington state

Researchers are partnering with scientists in Japan and Korea, where the hornets are more common, to learn how to trap the unwanted invaders.

What video gamers can expect in 2023

Releases include a hotly-anticipated "Zelda" game and a controversial "Harry Potter" title.

For decades, France's far-right party has been led by a Le Pen: First father, then daughter

Marine Le Pen's replacement hails from a younger generation

Protests erupt in Israel against the far-right government

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's right-wing government announced plans to weaken the Supreme Court.

Domee Shi's 'Turning Red' tells a story about adolescence

"Turning Red" is about a girl who turns into a giant red panda when she gets emotional.

Alaska State House works to elect speaker, get organized

The lag delays work on statewide education funding and other priorities.

New Mexico's early childhood secretary reflects on priorities for supporting the child care workforce

A new infusion of cash is going to programs that help little ones and their caregivers after voters approved a constitutional amendment in November.

This Virginia town is set to help fill the generic drug gap

90% of the medications we take are generic and almost all are made overseas. Now, entrepreneurs are creating businesses in Petersburg, Virginia, to produce essential pharmaceuticals to help ease the...

A queen of local news in Los Angeles retires

Beverly White has been a local television new reporter in Los Angeles for just over three decades.

Losing GOP candidate arrested in relation to series of shootings at New Mexico Democrats' homes

Solomon Peña is accused of conspiring with and paying four men to carry out four shootings at the Albuquerque-area homes of two Bernalillo County commissioners and two state legislators, Albuquerque...

Social media puts pressure on body image — and it's linked to teen anxiety and eating disorders
Teenagers are under many pressures, including unrealistic body image standards pushed by social media.

How Selma, Alabama, is recovering after deadly tornados
Alabama is still reeling after deadly tornados hit the state last week and killed at least seven people.

Why it's difficult to remove House members
Congressman George Santos apologized for "embellishing" his resume. Still, a handful of Republican House members are calling for him to step down and tens of thousands of people have signed...

In Dnipro, Ukraine, rescue workers are losing hope on finding any survivors
More than 48 hours after the attack, first responders are not expecting to find any more survivors among the rubble that's left to be cleared.

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

Rates of endocarditis spiked in the past decade
Endocarditis is an inflammation of the heart lining caused by infection.

Why the U.S. is becoming a destination for asylum seekers
Migration slowed down in the past few years due to the Trump administration's policies and the coronavirus outbreak.

Some European leaders think Russia is using energy as a weapon
Predictions of rolling blackouts across Europe this month have not come to pass.

The world's richest 1% raked in 2/3 of all new wealth
That's \$26 trillion for the wealthiest — and just \$16 trillion for the rest of us.

Travel writer Pico Iyer reflects on looking for paradise in troubled places
Iyer looks back on almost five decades of travel and what that time has taught him about the nature of paradise.

SCOTUS considers case of deaf student denied sign-language interpreter for 12 years
The court is looking at what type of legal options his family has for seeking redress.

Ukraine interior ministry leadership among those dead from helicopter crash
At least 14 people — including four children — are known to have died.

New data shows school counselor ratio is improving as mental health needs rise
But there's still much work to be done nationally to meet the recommended amount of support.

Museum programs welcome patrons with dementia
The program at the Frist Museum in Nashville, Tennessee, guides people with dementia through museum exhibits and related art projects.

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If there's something's broken in your neighborhood, who you gonna call? Probably not Gen-Z
Fewer members of Gen-Z want careers in skilled trades: as electricians, construction workers and medical technicians.

How a \$100 billion investment is impacting the German military
Germany's defense capability has been under close scrutiny since Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

China's population dropped for the first time in decades: What it means
India may soon surpass China with the biggest population in the world.

A new Congress faces challenges ahead
House Republicans are moving to impeach Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas. Far-right members are getting plush committee assignments. And the GOP is gearing up for a spending fight as the...

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Cancer mortality rate drops by one-third due to better screenings and behavioral changes
But this isn't a result of medical breakthroughs — it is in large part due to behavioral changes.

Moves to ban TikTok are building
Governors in more than a dozen states have banned TikTok on state-issued devices.

Strikes against government's plan to raise retirement age abound in France
The strikes are shutting down services like public transit and schools.

'Growing our kids to become advanced thinkers': Media literacy as a tool against misinformation
In New Jersey, officials are looking to a new generation to help stop the spread of misinformation and the damage it causes.

Is Davos in disarray?
U.N. Secretary General António Guterres didn't mince words in describing a lack of international cooperation lately.

Gun rights groups challenge Illinois' new assault weapons ban
Some police officers in the state have even said they wouldn't enforce the law.

T-Rex may not have big brain energy — but it might have been smarter than previously thought
For decades we've thought of the Tyrannosaurus Rex as enormous and terrifying though not particularly intelligent. But according to a growing body of research, "Jurassic Park" and all of us...

21 Years of GITMO: What's the latest from the controversial Guantánamo facility?
It costs an estimated \$13 million per prisoner per year, making it the most expensive detention program in the world.

These goats want to eat your Christmas tree
Instead of throwing away your old Christmas tree, why not give it to a goat to eat?

One Massachusetts man's fight to stay with his family as he battles against deportation to Haiti
Fredly Charles is a father and husband. He's one of two people who can best take care of his infant daughter Alianna, who has complex medical needs which require significant...

Lessons from the 2011 debt limit fight
Back 2011, the U.S. was hurtling towards a default but narrowly averted it.

New Zealand's Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern resigns
Ardern was elected prime minister five years ago, and was recognized internationally as a woman in a leadership role and one of the youngest women ever to lead a country.

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'The Last of Us' and other TV to watch in early 2023

"The Last of Us" became HBO's second-largest debut this weekend, eclipsed only by "House of the Dragon."

50 years since Roe v. Wade: Looking back on what led to it and how it was overturned
Roe attested that people who could become pregnant in the United States had a fundamental right to choose whether to have abortions.

Netflix co-founder transitions into new role after 25 years
Netflix co-founder Reed Hastings has stepped down as the company's co-chief executive officer after 25 years.

Celebrate the Year of the Rabbit with these Lunar New Year delicacies
A key part of the festivities is the food, and many have special symbolic meanings or are special dishes reserved for special occasions.

Politics roundtable: Secret documents and a debt ceiling await returning Congress
Hitting the limit heaps pressure on the returning congress which is already in the spotlight over questionable committee assignments and possible plans for investigations.

How to see a bright green comet soar across the night sky
A bright green comet is streaking across the sky right now. And it's bright enough that you may be able to see it with the naked eye on a dark...

Remembering rock legend David Crosby
The Byrds and Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young co-founder died at 81.

Germany faces pressure to deploy advanced tanks in Ukraine
The nation is still resisting pressure from Western allies to send its Leopard tanks to assist Ukraine's military.

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Everyday Americans can help refugees settle in through new private sponsorship program
With refugee resettlement organizations stretched thin, the U.S. is trying a different approach.

The latest on protests in Peru

As antigovernment protests continue, embattled President Dina Boluarte is calling for a dialogue with the leaders of the demonstrations.

Boston Fed President Susan M. Collins on inflation, debt limit

The Federal Reserve will meet later this month into next month to discuss whether to raise interest rates and by how much, amid high inflation.

Monday, January 23, 2023

From China, remembrances of those lost from COVID during latest surge

China has reported almost 60,000 deaths from COVID since early December.

Jill Schlesinger explores making a life change without breaking the bank in new book

During the pandemic a lot of people changed jobs or addresses, started a business or quit one.

Tech layoffs go from bad to worse in the new year

In the last quarter of 2022, the tech sector was left reeling as profits slumped and layoffs swept the industry.

Scientist loses her job after participating in climate protests

The Earth scientist was dismissed from the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee.

FBI finds more documents at Biden's Delaware home

Meanwhile, Biden has chosen Jeff Zients to be his next chief of staff, after Ron Klain leaves.

Germany says it won't stop Poland from sending tanks to Ukraine

A top diplomat said Sunday that Germany will not object if Poland chooses to do so.

How to ask better questions

Many of us, in our daily lives or in our jobs, ask a lot of questions. But are we asking questions the right way?

In 'Until Someone Listens,' 13-year-old Estela Juarez speaks up for her mother, immigration issues

When Estela Juarez was 11, her video letter to then-President Donald Trump made headlines when it was shown at the 2020 Democratic National Convention. Estela wrote on behalf of her...

The lost legacy of a 17th-century Dutch artist Judith Leyster comes to light

Judith Leyster was one of a few woman artists of the 17th century, whose legacy some say was "lost to history."

50 years after Roe v. Wade, abortion pills are at the center of a new reproductive rights fight

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The two-pill treatment prevents a pregnancy from continuing weeks into the process and accounts for half of all abortions in the U.S.

What we know about the death of a demonstrator protesting Georgia's 'Cop City'

The demonstrator was a member of the Forest Defenders, a group of activists living in the South River Forest to protest a proposed \$90 million police training facility.

How Asian Americans are coping with the Monterey Park shooting

A gunman killed at least 10 people and injured at least 10 others during a Lunar New Year celebration at a ballroom dance hall.

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

Earth's inner core appears to be slowing, new study finds

Is this the end of times? Scientists say no.

Massachusetts is first state to add marijuana component to drivers' ed classes

Some people are critical — they compare it to the DARE program for alcohol and drug education that largely failed in the 1980s and '90s.

Police investigate another deadly shooting in California's agricultural Half Moon Bay

A gunman opened fire at two farms in Half Moon Bay near San Francisco.

Amazon launches new prescription subscription service

It costs \$5 a month and includes generic medications for more than 80 common health conditions.

'My Selma' tells kids what it was like to grow up Black in 1960's South

When Selma, Alabama, was recently torn apart by that tornado, it was hard not to think of another time when it was torn asunder by racism.

How Ukrainian government dismissals will affect the war effort

The dismissals point to longstanding government corruption, but the timing comes as Germany continues its reluctance on allowing German-made tanks to be used in the war effort.

Judge will decide whether to release Georgia Grand Jury report on 2020 to public

The report follows an investigation into efforts by former President Trump and his allies to overturn the 2020 election results in the state.

Beware of these symptoms: ER doc lays out when to seek treatment — even if you're COVID negative
Physicians warn that while most people will be just fine — that runny nose is likely one of dozens of benign winter viruses — there are some serious conditions that...

Oscar nominations: Conversations with nominees from 'Everything, Everywhere, All at Once' to 'Elvis'
"Everything, Everywhere, All at Once" led the way with 11 nominations, including Best Picture.

A pandemic-era law expanding Medicaid access is set to expire

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That means 6 million low-income people could lose access to health care.

A growing number of girls are wrestling in the U.S.
Wrestling is one of the fastest-growing sports among girls in the United States.

An immigration attorney on DHS's new program to protect migrant workers experiencing labor abuse
The Department of Homeland Security says undocumented workers can now apply for temporary protection from deportation if they experience or are witness to labor abuses.

California mass shootings: Looking at the community impact on Asian American elders
Two connected attacks in Half Moon Bay on Monday killed 7 people just days after another shooting in Monterey Park killed 11.

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

Ukraine troops endure winter in trenches in preparation for possible springtime offensive
They're preparing fortifications and trying to stay warm.

Why are some doctors charging membership fees?
These programs are part of a new trend toward membership care. Some are called concierge medicine; there's also another kind called direct primary care.

Tax refunds may be smaller this year
Tax season officially begins this week.

Dealing with pet loss explored in book 'Good Grief'
We talk about the human-pet bond and why pets' passing can cause their owners profound grief.

Half Moon Bay shooting suspect to appear at arraignment
This comes the day after Gov. Gavin Newsom visited the town and talked about the lasting wounds this shooting and others like it will create.

Germany agrees to send Leopard tanks to Ukraine
Germany will allow other nations to send their own.

'Dungeons & Dragons' fans upset with company after licensing rules leak
A leaked change to its licensing rules angered fans as the game's company tries to find new ways to make money off of the intellectual property.

Bad versions of a cancer drug are putting child patients at risk. Why is it still on the market?
More than a dozen versions of a cancer drug used to treat kids with a specific type of leukemia are far less effective than they could be — and even...

How an organizer is helping supplement Seattle's homelessness count

Local officials around the country are preparing to tally how many people are experiencing homelessness in their cities. But critics have long raised concerns that Point-In-Time counts can lead to...

Why young Nigerians are leaving the country

It's a trend that even has its own word — Japa — Yoruba for "to run, or escape."

DOJ and 8 states sue Google over online advertising technology

The DOJ is accusing the company of illegally abusing a monopoly over the technology that powers online advertising.

Can Congress help fix Ticketmaster?

Following a high-profile shutdown over Taylor Swift concert tickets, Live Nation is in hot water on both sides of the aisle.

Asian American journalists reflect on mass shootings

The two mass shootings in California occurred during a week of celebration for the Lunar New Year, which came at a time of increased anti-Asian violence.

Thursday, January 26, 2023

How Tonga is recovering, one year after volcanic eruption

The eruption led to massive devastation for the remote island nation.

2022 saw increased number of electrical substation attacks

The FBI has warned of far-right extremist groups targeting the power grid.

Racial disparities in funding for water projects explored in new report

President Biden's infrastructure law paved the way for billions of dollars to go towards upgrading the country's water infrastructure.

Economy expands at 2.9% annual rate in Q4

Consumer spending weakened from the previous quarter but remained above expectations.

In 'The Persian Version,' Iranian-American filmmaker creates multi-generational family dramedy

The Sundance Film Festival is underway in Park City Utah. The celebration of cinema includes dozens of marquee movies.

Extreme weather events make it difficult for California farmworkers to put food on their own tables

Extreme weather events, including the recent rains and last summer's heat, have taken on toll on some of the crops.

Community members take a stand ahead of the release of footage of Tyre Nichols' death

Even without the police body camera footage, independent autopsy results have indicated Nichols suffered extensive bleeding caused by a severe beating.

Orange you glad it's citrus season? Try these savory and sweet recipes
During her time in Los Angeles this winter, resident chef Kathy Gunst become obsessed with citrus.

One oncology nurse's journey through treatment after cancer diagnosis
Nurse Theresa Brown tells her story in "Healing: When a Nurse Becomes a Patient."

Will farmers buy into the future of autonomous tractors?
The vehicles take on many farming duties, including plowing, planting and applying fertilizer.

How can companies better handle mass layoffs?
As layoffs hit the tech industry, social media has been flooded with stories of people locked out of their emails or notified in the middle of business trips that they've...

Kentucky grocer hit by flooding plans to hire back workers and reopen soon
Six months ago, flood waters ruined Gwen Christon's store in Isom, Kentucky — the only grocery store within miles in her small, rural town.

NPR, New York Times file to unseal documents in Fox News defamation lawsuit
Dominion Voting Systems filed a \$1.6 billion defamation lawsuit against Fox News after its hosts repeatedly cast doubt on electronic voting machines after the 2020 election.

Pope Francis declares homosexuality is 'not a crime' — but still 'a sin'
Francis also criticized laws in many parts of the world that criminalize homosexuality and called on bishops who support those laws to recognize the dignity of all people.

Friday, January 27, 2023

Indian government tries to ban documentary about Prime Minister Narendra Modi
Officials have invoked emergency powers to scrub the documentary from social media.

Christian reverend reflects on death of Tyre Nichols
The footage of Nichols's death at the hands of police officers is set for release this Friday evening.

EPA to decide whether gold and copper mine in Alaska moves forward
Many residents fear the proposed giant copper and gold mine would harm wild salmon runs.

Retired military singing group Voices of Service bring hope and inspiration through their music
The group first came to national attention with their performances on "America's Got Talent" back in 2019.

Politicians weigh in on Memphis police violence
Police are expected to release body camera video in the death of Tyre Nichols on Friday.

Economic slowdown hits Hollywood
Streaming services are cutting back, along with looming fears of a writer's strike.

50 years after the Paris Peace Accords, what is the U.S.-Vietnam relationship like now?
The Paris Peace Accords brought an end to U.S. military involvement in Vietnam.

New 'Latino' and 'Middle Eastern or North African' checkboxes may be coming to the U.S. census
Proponents say it's an important act for representation and will give more accuracy to U.S. demographic information.

What the end of Time's Up means for the future of the #MeToo movement
In 2021, two of its leaders resigned after revelations that they helped cover up allegations of sexual harassment against then-New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

Breaking barriers to mental health care in Asian communities: 5 question, answered by an expert
The organization is now rallying counselors around the country to provide culturally competent care to address trauma stemming from California's recent deadly mass shootings.

Tyre Nichols' family attorney responds to indictment of Memphis officers involved in violent arrest
Nichols died earlier this month after he was brutally beaten by five Memphis police officers during a traffic stop.

Monday, January 30, 2023

Elderly couple starts over after Russia bombs their Ukrainian town
The couple celebrates the electricity and water they once again have.

Grieving David Crosby friend shares their decades of music and banter
Steve Silberman was one of the late David Crosby's closest friends — something you'll know if you follow his Twitter feed which has, since the singer died earlier this month,...

2023's economic outlook: Will growth fall off a ledge?
GDP, employment and other reports are likely to tell us whether we are moving away from a recession or, as one expert put it, about to "fall off a ledge."

Washington state teacher reflects on 8-year-old shooter in her classroom
A 8-year-old student accidentally shot and nearly killed another student in Natalie Poss's third-grade classroom in Bremerton, Washington.

Virginia school reopens after 6-year-old student shot teacher: How do parents feel?
The school board last week terminated the superintendent and the principal of Richneck Elementary School has since left. Now, three weeks later, the school is reopening.

Racial trauma therapist reflects on damage and pain after Tyre Nichols' killing
How does the Black and brown community — in Memphis and around the country — move forward?
Is it possible?

The latest from Memphis, after footage of Tyre Nichols death released

Protesters in cities across the country gathered this weekend to condemn the death of Tyre Nichols after a brutal beating by Memphis police.

Sundance Film Festival is back in person — but will its films bring moviegoers back to theaters? For the first time since 2020, Sundance welcomed in-person festival goers while retaining an online viewing option.

What was it like in China over the past few months?

In the past four months, China has been through serious upheaval, from economic woes to protests to the ease of the infamous zero-COVID policy.

How a trillion-dollar platinum coin could get the country around the debt ceiling limit

The U.S. can't legally borrow any more money – not unless the debt ceiling is lifted. But it can still mint money. And that has some folks asking, why not...

Tyre Nichols' death 'was more than police brutality. That was a lynching,' says Rev. Danté Stewart
After a weekend of protests, Rev. Danté Stewart talks about the death of Tyre Nichols in Memphis.

U.S.-Israel meeting comes after violent clashes

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken's visit comes during the bloodiest week the nation has seen in years, with Israeli and Palestinian attacks in the West Bank and Jerusalem.

A closer look at the Memphis SCORPION Unit

The Memphis Police Department has disbanded its SCORPION Unit, the specialized police unit of the five officers charged in the death of Tyre Nichols.

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Churches in Maine step up to help immigrants settle in the U.S. amid housing challenges

Local church leaders are helping who they can, but aren't sure how long they can do so.

Massachusetts children's deaths spotlight postpartum psychosis. How can we recognize and prevent it?
A tragedy in Massachusetts puts a spotlight on a rare, but sometimes dangerous, form of mental illness.

Electric vehicle price wars pick up speed

Why, when everything else is going up in price, are electric vehicles headed in the opposite direction?

'Waco Rising' explores how the siege in Waco continues to reverberate 30 years later

This year marks the 30th anniversary of Waco, the shorthand for the fiery deadly stand-off between federal officials and members of the religious cult, the Branch Davidians.

Nationwide strikes in France protest plan to raise retirement age

The French government plans to raise the retirement age from 62 to 64.

Deadline day: Unlikely 7 states will agree on proposal to cut Colorado River usage

Six of seven states that rely on the Colorado River have agreed to a proposal that cuts water usage. But California is still a holdout.

With abortion access restricted in Georgia, clinics often must turn patients away
Georgia invoked a six-week abortion ban last year, shortly after the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade.

Surgeon general calls gun violence an 'epidemic'
Surgeon General Dr. Vivek Murthy is pushing for more research into gun violence and what the government can do to prevent it.

How changes to mail-in voting are playing out in Florida
Florida election supervisors are asking the state to halt the implementation of a new mail-in voting provision, citing a litany of potential issues.

Johnson & Johnson's baby powder bankruptcy filing rejected by court
The company tried to use a bankruptcy filing to block the nearly 40,000 lawsuits from people alleging its baby powder contains asbestos.

How Republicans are weaponizing the debt ceiling
The federal debt ceiling was enacted by congress in 1917, and for decades, the process of raising debt limit went pretty smoothly. Then in the late 1970s and early '80s,...

U.S. Treasury Secretary's recent visit to Africa highlights efforts to foster closer economic ties
Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen's visit came after visits by Chinese and Russian foreign ministers, who are also looking to strengthen ties and influence on the continent.

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Will the longevity industry's latest boom turn into a bust?
From searching for the fountain of youth to having full-body blood transfusions, humans have long fought aging. And we're in the middle of another boom in research and investment in...

Remembering Columbia Space Shuttle 20 years later with former astronaut and U.S. Sen. Mark Kelly
20 years ago today, the Columbia Space Shuttle veered out of control and broke apart above Texas after a successful 16-day mission in space.

People with ADHD are struggling to fill their prescriptions across the country
Last October, the Food and Drug Administration announced that there was a shortage of Adderall, one of the most common medications prescribed for ADHD.

Mezzo-soprano Sasha Cooke sings songs of the pandemic on Grammy-nominated 'How Do I Find You'

"How Do I Find You" is up for a Grammy for Best Classical Vocal Solo Album.

Kansas is one of two states without a long COVID clinic

Kansas and South Dakota are the only states in the country that don't have long COVID clinics, which leaves people suffering from debilitating symptoms stranded.

Skateboard shop owner reflects on Tyre Nichols

Skateboarders in Sacramento, California, where Nichols grew up will remember him at a "homegoing celebration" on Saturday.

Cutting greenhouse gas use in anesthesia

Research shows medical procedures that require anesthesia can produce the same greenhouse gas effects as driving a car more than 200 miles.

Dark chocolate is high in cadmium and lead. How much is safe to eat?

Consumer Reports health and food safety team tested 28 popular dark chocolate bar brands and found that all of them contained metals.

Exhibit explores how Native Americans use water — and how the resource has been politicized

For decades, Indigenous activism has focused on the issue of preserving water.

Dangerous ice storm spreads across southern U.S.

More than 200,000 homes and businesses in Texas are without power and Governor Greg Abbott is imploring residents to stay indoors.

Childhood obesity care guidelines receive pushback

Some people are concerned that unequal access to treatments not always covered by insurance will leave some children behind and create fat-shaming.

What's going on in Lebanon?

Alongside the financial crisis is a political crisis as there is still no elected president after 11 unsuccessful attempts since October.

4 suspects in former Haiti leader's killing arrive in Miami to face charges

Moise was shot dead at his home in the capital Port-au-Prince on July 7, 2021, by what police described as a hit squad of mainly foreign mercenaries.

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Business round-up: Interest rates and oil profits

Oil companies are releasing their profits with many setting new records, angering activists and the government.

50 years of 'Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day'

Gum in his hair. Lima beans for dinner. Kissing on TV.

How the White House can fix the classified documents mess
How should White House administrations handle the documents they are supposed to preserve for the National Archives?

WSJ's Jon Hilsenrath shares personal family immigration story
His father, Joseph, came to the U.S. as a child, smuggled out of Nazi Germany with one of his sisters.

Oscar nominee Angela Bassett Rules as Queen Ramonda in 'Wakanda Forever'
Bassett has been nominated for Best Supporting Actress for her performance.

Florida didn't expand Medicaid. One county stepped up to offer low-income residents free health care
Florida is one of several states that did not expand Medicaid, leaving low-income residents on their own.

Pakistan endures days of tragedy and uncertainty
Wednesday night, police arrested key opposition figures, including the former interior minister and a senior journalist.

Langston Hughes' poetry celebrates Black culture and addresses racism in America
Langston Hughes is best known for writing powerful poetry and prose. Less known is that he was also a librettist.

'Hidden Folk' book explores whether belief in elves and mythical creatures can save the environment
"Looking for Hidden Folk: How Iceland's Elves Can Save the Earth" by author Nancy Marie Brown maintains that looking at myths and how various cultures think about the planet can...

Europe to stop buying diesel from Russia
After already ending imports of Russian oil, Europe's next move against Russia's economy starts this weekend.

Businesses move to hire more people with criminal records
Nearly 80 million people in this country have a criminal record, and many struggle to find employment or a place to live.

Experts recommend removing fallopian tubes to prevent ovarian cancer, under some circumstances
One research and advocacy organization says people at risk should consider removing their fallopian tubes after they finish having kids.

The state of police reform in the U.S. after the death of Tyre Nichols
Harvard University Professor Yanilda Gonzalez explains what can be done.

Friday, February 3, 2023

'Assassin's Creed Valhalla: Dawn of Ragnarök' composer Stephanie Economou wins new Grammy category

Video game scores finally have their own category in this Sunday's Grammy Awards Ceremony. Composer Stephanie Economou talks about her nomination.

'Feral' tells story of National Parks travel and finding comfort in solitude
Emily Pennington set out in early 2020 to travel to all of the 63 national parks in one year.

UK economic woes: Strikes, interest hikes and a recession ahead
Half a million workers walked off jobs this week, including teachers, civil servants, train and bus drivers, border officials and university staff.

'Murder in Big Horn' illuminates challenges families of missing and murdered Indigenous women face
Their families struggle to find answers as the cases seem to fall through the cracks.

Week in politics: Omar kicked off committee, talks start on police reform
Republicans voted to kick Minnesota Rep. Ilhan Omar off of the Foreign Affairs Committee for anti-semitic comments she's already apologized for

What we know about the humpback whale strandings in the Northeast
At least seven humpbacks were found stranded or beached on the East Coast last month.

Beyoncé tickets went on sale in the UK — and fans are frustrated
Fans are amped, but there also have been frustrations with the ticketing system.

The case for direct primary care doctors in the debate over membership care
Dr. Josh Umbehr tells us why he believes this model — where doctors ask patients to sign up for membership plans for direct primary care services — is better for...

Why ballet is Ukraine's 'secret weapon'
A ballet company based in The Hague is in Washington, D.C., performing "Giselle" at The Kennedy Center.

Is the FTX cryptocurrency case just an ole fashioned swindle?
As the FTX crypto currency swindle case unfolds in the courts, we talk to University of Maryland Baltimore County professor Amy Froide, who has studied fraud over the last few...

Why lawyers think Alec Baldwin made a mistake speaking publicly about the 'Rust' shooting
More than a year after an accidental shooting on the set of the film "Rust" killed cinematographer Halyna Hutchins, actor Alec Baldwin is facing criminal charges.

Weather update: Northeast freezes as South battles ice
The temperature will be so cold in some areas of the Northeast that there is a threat to life.

What our response to the Chinese balloon saga shows about the changing landscape of surveillance
China is now saying that a suspected spy balloon spotted over Montana is actually a civilian weather balloon that strayed off course. The Pentagon said Thursday that it was tracking...

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Weight-loss drug for clinically obese and diabetic patients goes instead to the rich and famous
Rather than going to the clinically obese and diabetic people who would need it, it's getting scarfed up by those who can afford the hefty price tag.

Grammys recap: Wins, performances and shocking moments

Sunday night, the biggest stars in the music industry showed up in all their glitz and glam for the 65th Grammy Awards.

Journalist's memoir 'The Naked Don't Fear the Water' details journey out of Afghanistan

Matthieu Aikins is the author of "The Naked Don't Fear the Water."

The harm of watching the endless loop of Black death on video

When footage of the violence is available, what harm is caused by amplifying and platforming these violent, brutal videos?

U.S.-China relations get even tenser after balloon shoot-down

U.S. fighter jets shot down a suspected Chinese spy balloon that had flown over the entire U.S. last week.

Oklahoma teacher who challenged book bans now works with teens on reading programs

Summer Boismier was an Oklahoma high school English teacher who gave her students a QR code that led to the Brooklyn Public Library's page on banned books. Controversy ensued, leading...

Composer Stephanie Economou wins first-ever Grammy in video game music category

Economou was the only woman nominated in the new category — something that surprised her.

“There are just so many brilliant women voices in the video game music space,” she...

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

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.

Lack of prosecutors in Wisconsin county delays trials

The nation is facing this problem as older lawyers retire and younger ones opt for higher-paying jobs.

What to do if you're facing layoffs at work: 3 questions, answered by an expert

The once-invincible tech sector is trending in the opposite direction.

Thousands of Ukrainian children — some with parents — have been forcibly taken to Russia

Since the invasion of Ukraine, Russian troops have taken thousands of Ukrainian children into Russian-held parts of the country and across the border and forced them into Russian citizenship.

Are sanctions on Russia working?

In his new piece in Foreign Affairs, former Russian Deputy Minister of Energy Vladimir Milov writes that sanctions are having a "profound effect on the Russian economy."

Ohio train derailment leads to evacuation due to dangerous chemicals
Locals in northeastern Ohio are being urged to evacuate the area due to fears of a potential explosion.

Earthquake death toll surpasses 2,300 in Turkey and Syria
A devastating earthquake that struck the area Sunday.

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Uncovering the science and geology behind Turkey's deadly earthquake
In Turkey and Syria, more than 4,000 people died from a magnitude 7.8 earthquake.

Utah trans teenager speaks out against state ban on gender-affirming care for minors
Payton Butler says gender-affirming care was essential to his mental and physical well-being.

AMC Theatres unveils plan to charge according to where you choose to sit
It is just the latest attempt by theaters to recoup profits lost to the pandemic drain on moviegoing.

Author Salman Rushdie releases his new expansive, mystical novel 'Victory City'
Salman Rushdie lost an eye and almost lost his life last year when a man attacked him on a stage, stabbing him several times.

Officials conduct controlled release of toxic chemicals after Ohio train derailment
The train derailed on Friday, sending about 50 train cars off the tracks.

Biden to focus on the economy in State of Union speech Tuesday night
Tuesday night will mark Biden's first State of the Union address to a divided Congress, with Republicans in control of the House.

Lebron James is set to break the NBA all-time scoring record
The basketball legend is just 36 points away from beating the NBA's all-time scoring record.

Lost your credit card? It may take longer for you to get a new one due to chip shortages
Before the pandemic, replacing a debit or credit card used to take about a week. Now, it's taking longer — sometimes weeks longer.

What we know about the thwarted plot to attack power stations in Baltimore
There were more attacks on the power grid in 2022 than any other on record — including 163 physical attacks on the grid last year, according to the federal government.

Japan, South Korea divided over ancient Buddhist statue
A court battle over a centuries-old Buddhist statue illustrates how Japan and South Korea are tussling over their shared cultural heritage and the artifacts that symbolize it.

Pastor and professor Thema Bryant reflects on leading the nation's psychologists
New president of the American Psychological Association Thema Bryant says there's more attention being paid now to the need for psychologists and other mental health professionals to not ignore spirituality.

What to expect from Biden's State of the Union address
The address comes as the president contends with a Republican-majority House and a wobbly economy.

More than 5,000 dead in Syria, Turkey earthquake as toll rises
Search and rescue efforts are continuing for the second day.

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LeBron James breaks NBA scoring record
LeBron broke the record Tuesday night in Los Angeles.

The cost and future of coal-fired power in Kentucky
A new study finds the majority of coal-fired power plants in the U.S. are more expensive to operate than swapping out for solar.

Hong Kong political activists' trial began Monday
The 16 defendants could face up to life in prison if convicted under the controversial national security law.

Sen. Cory Booker on the State of the Union and the status of police reform legislation in Congress
With Tyre Nichols' family in the audience, President Biden advocated for better training for police officers, more investment in first responders and other changes.

Power crisis in South Africa threatens economy, re-election prospects
The President is considering declaring a national state of disaster.

'Now, we have Black generals': Montford Point Marine shares his experience with racial segregation
There are thousands of others like him who came up through Camp Montford Point and are eligible for recognition, but the trick is to find them and their families.

GOP Rep. Dusty Johnson on the State of the Union
In Tuesday night's State of the Union, President Biden put forward a message of bipartisanship

GOP displayed opposition to Biden's State of the Union address
President Biden delivered the State of the Union address on Tuesday night.

How EMS workers failed Tyre Nichols
Emergency medical technicians didn't give Tyre Nichols any medical care for the first 19 minutes they were on the scene, despite Nichols being in obvious distress.

San Diego's poet laureate Jason Magabo Perez invites you to think toward the future
Growing up, Jason Magabo Perez says he felt alienated from formal academic English, but hip-hop lyrics opened his eyes to how he can use language to explore political ideas around...

The battle against election misinformation persists for Pennsylvania voting officials
Voting rights advocates hope more election reforms could help fend off any disruptions in 2024.

Former Treasury Secretary Larry Summers on the economic outlook — and why it's so hard to read right now
The Federal Reserve is continuing to raise interest rates to bring down inflation in hopes of putting the brakes on it without bringing the economy to a halt.

How Istanbul is recovering from Turkey's deadly earthquake
The U.S. Geological Survey says the powerful earthquake that struck southern Turkey this week is tied as the strongest the country has experienced in more than a century.

Biden pushes back on heckling Republicans in this year's State of the Union address
Some Republicans called the president a liar, and he pushed right back.

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Valentine's Day sweets for your sweetie — Or yourself, because you deserve it!
Are you in love? Out of love? Alone? In a partnership? No matter your love status, you deserve something sweet, something special.

Father of overdose victim reflects on State of the Union invite and daughter he lost
Biden has called for a "major surge" to stop fentanyl from reaching the U.S.

Basketball star Kevin Durant traded to Phoenix Suns in blockbuster deal
How big is this deal and why do these big trades seem to be happening more and more?

55 years later, the Kerner Report on racial unrest in America still resonates
The Kerner Report findings were stark: White racism was the underlying cause of the racial unrest.

Remembering composer Burt Bacharach
Burt Bacharach died Wednesday at the age of 94.

Midwest states pave the way for large livestock operations
Missouri, Nebraska and other Midwest states are trying to attract more CAFOs — concentrated animal feeding operations — which hold thousands of head of livestock, such as hogs.

The latest on Turkey's deadly earthquake and its aftermath
More than 5,000 people died in the earthquake.

Microsoft to revamp search engine using AI
It's the latest move in an artificial intelligence arms race between big tech firms.

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For Black History Month, pick up a book by one of these debut authors
Noted authors like Toni Morrison, James Baldwin or Alice Walker tend to be spotlighted during Black History Month. This year, Traci Thomas of "The Stacks" podcast shares some new voices.

What did Biden mean by 'lots of luck in your senior year' in his State of the Union address?
When President Biden dared Republicans to repeal the Inflation Reduction Act during his State of the Union address, he pulled out an idiom that's all his own: "Lots of luck..."

Congressman – and first time dad – says men need to step up on child care solutions
A new report shows that there are potentially 3.6 million families in the U.S. who need child care but can't find any.

How Doctors Without Borders is addressing earthquake damage in Syria
The devastating earthquake is adding another layer of grief after years of ongoing conflict in Syria.

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Why the Biden Administration wants to revive a Trump-era asylum policy
The proposed policy requires migrants to seek asylum in another country first before seeking asylum in the U.S.

Super Bowl on Sunday set to be a classic
The Philadelphia Eagles and Kansas City Chiefs clash this weekend in Super Bowl 57 in Arizona.

Russia moves to fight sanctions and boost oil prices
Russia has announced it will curb its oil production. The move is an effort to boost prices and defy price caps.

From friends to rivals to friends again: Former gang members on why they joined Chicago gangs
Chicago has been trying to break the cycle of violence by turning to community-based violence intervention, including former gang members working to intervene in gang disputes.

Biden, Republicans spar over cutting social welfare programs
The week in politics has been dominated by a spat over whether Republicans want to cut popular social welfare programs like Medicare and Social Security.

The cost of Hollywood's depiction of Brown girls
When Mindy Kaling's new HBO show "Velma" premiered in January, it was met with a wave of backlash from members of the South Asian community.

Roberta Flack tells the story of her first piano in new kid's book
The five-time Grammy winner turns 86 on Friday.

The latest on the Chinese spy balloon

The Biden administration says that balloon was part of a flotilla of balloons that China has sent over to at least 40 countries. China is pushing back.

Why incarcerated men in Texas are hunger striking

For weeks, dozens of prisoners across Texas have been refusing to eat in protest of their living conditions.

Union of Southern Service Workers encourages cross-sector organizing

Low-wage fast food, retail and home care workers have formed a new union in the South.

Earthquake displaces Syrian refugees once again

After moving to Turkey 12 years ago, Syrian refugee Assalah Shikhani is, again, one of the thousands displaced by the recent earthquakes.

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From 'Umbrella' to 'Work,' Rihanna brought the hits during her Super Bowl halftime performance
The artist also delivered a surprise for fans: a second pregnancy.

The problems with Biden's 'Buy American' policies

The Atlantic's Derek Thompson writes that while he wants to support the Biden administration's "Buy American" policies to encourage more manufacturing and create jobs, there are also potential downsides.

How to move forward from financial infidelity

Keeping financial secrets from your partner can strain even the strongest romantic relationships.

How did a group of Sarah Lawrence roommates end up in a cult? 'Stolen Youth' charts terrifying path

Last month, 63-year-old Larry Ray was sentenced to 60 years in prison for extortion, sex trafficking and forced labor, after luring his daughter's roommates from Sarah Lawrence College into what...

What to know about the flying objects shot down by U.S.

The U.S. has shot down more flying objects, as China accuses the U.S. of illegally flying balloons over its airspace.

Remembering David Jolicoeur, De La Soul's Trugoy the Dove

De La Soul's 1989 album "3 Feet High and Rising" is considered one of the greatest hip-hop albums of all time.

Who was Abraham Galloway — and why don't we know about him?

During the Civil War, Abraham Galloway escaped enslavement and became a Union spy – but his name has largely been left out of the history books.

The world's top sommelier crowned in Paris in dramatic, emotion-packed championship

Latvian Raimonds Tomsons rose above the other 70 contestants.

Questions remain about Ohio train derailment

People returned to their homes in East Palestine, Ohio, late last Wednesday after the huge train derailment and toxic chemical release.

Miami history museum to return remains to Indigenous community

More than 30 years ago, Congress passed a law requiring institutions to return Indigenous remains to their respective communities. However, not all have done so.

What's true about Medicare and Social Security insolvency?

Medicare and Social Security could run out of money if nothing is done to fix the social welfare programs.

Super Bowl ads: Winner, losers and million-dollar price tags

There were commercials featuring sports stars, movie stars, CGI monsters, giant rabbits, dogs and many more surprising appearances.

St. Louis locals love — or love to hate — their city's unique pizza

While food can be a great unifier, the notion is not true for St. Louis.

What the release of Nicaraguan political prisoners says about its authoritarian government

Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega's rule has increasingly become authoritarian.

Study finds wealthy Black families fare worse on maternal, infant health than poorest white families

A new study published by the National Bureau of Economic Research finds racial health disparities around motherhood impact Black women regardless of income.

Rescue efforts continue in Turkey, as millions remain displaced

More than 34,000 people are dead from the earthquakes that rocked Syria and Turkey last week.

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Intricate supply chain sets up rose business for busy Valentine's Day

The rose business on Valentine's Day is a mad rush of flowers grown and shipped from around the world.

New law on war crimes allows U.S. to prosecute foreigners in country

The law was spurred by the war in Ukraine.

The push in California to give prisoners the right to vote

Similar initiatives have been enacted in Vermont, Maine and Washington D.C.

Boeing announces huge jet deal with Air India as part of record jet purchase

Air India also announced a deal with Airbus for a further 250 jets, making it the single largest purchase of planes.

How easy is it to get trapped in a cult? Cult deprogrammer says it can happen to anybody.

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Over nearly a decade Larry Ray used sexual, physical and psychological abuse to brainwash his daughter's college roommates.

Gunman kills three students, critically injures 5 others at Michigan State
The gunman opened fire in two campus buildings Monday night.

Senators receive closed-door briefing on unidentified aerial objects shot down by U.S. fighter jets
Three unidentified aerial objects were shot down over North America over the weekend.

5 years since the shooting at a high school in Parkland, what's changed?
Tuesday marks the fifth anniversary of the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, where 17 students were killed.

What Florida removed from its AP Black history class
Florida objected to a number of subjects, which were cut out of the final version.

In a town where produce reigns, a new Carrot Queen is crowned
On Sunday, Holtville, Calif., wrapped up its 76th Annual Carrot Festival. The farming community near the U.S.-Mexico border likes to brag that it is the “carrot capital of the world.”

Anti-vaccine conspiracy theorists flood social media with fake reports of sudden deaths from COVID shot
People are using the hashtag #DiedSuddenly, to falsely claim that sudden deaths — particularly among children, actors and athletes — are caused by the vaccines.

Nikki Haley announces presidential run: What to know about her 2024 campaign
Haley is the second person to declare her candidacy for the Republican nomination in 2024.

How past presidents handled oddball diplomatic moments like the Chinese spy balloon
Biden is facing criticism from his Republican counterparts over the balloon.

What China is saying about the spy balloon
There are calls in Congress for the U.S. to cut funding to a number of Chinese entities connected to China's balloon program. And China is pointing fingers at the U.S.

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Morgan State University's female drum major is preparing to lead band in HBCU competition
The band makes its debut at the Honda Battle of the Bands this coming weekend.

The real-life prosecutor portrayed in the Oscar-nominated film 'Argentina 1985'
The movie portrays the prosecution of leaders of the military junta in Argentina, under whose rule tens of thousands of people were kidnapped, tortured and killed.

Why is there a shortage of accountants?

The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that more than 300,000 accountants and auditors in the U.S. have left their jobs in the past two years.

Moms, experts say first postpartum depression pill could be a game changer
Unlike traditional antidepressants, clinical trials show it works within three days and continues to show improvement months later.

Political pioneer Dianne Feinstein will not seek 2024 re-election
Feinstein was seen by many as a pioneer for a whole generation of women in politics as well as a firm believer in bipartisan cooperation.

Ukraine update: Fighting in Bakhmut, request for more ammunition
In Ukraine, intense fighting continues in the eastern city of Bakhmut. The Ukrainian government has pushed civilians in the area to leave.

The inside scoop on Food Network's Tournament of Champions from last year's winner Tiffani Faison
The tournament pits 32 chefs seeded in East and West divisions against each other in head-to-head battles until one remains.

Black Lives Matter section removed from AP Black history class after Florida objects
The pilot version of the course included a section dedicated to the origins and influence of the movement.

Patients continue to receive costly ambulance bills
Despite many other surprise medical bills being banned starting in 2022 due to the No Surprises Act passed by Congress, ground ambulances were excluded.

Sarah Polley wants to start conversations with Oscar-nominated film 'Women Talking'
Based on the acclaimed novel by Miriam Toews, the film follows a gathering of women in an isolated religious community who meet to decide what action to take following the...

Why Tennessee is rejecting federal money to fight HIV
This comes as the state, especially the Memphis area, continues to see HIV cases rise.

LA firefighters head to Turkey to help with earthquake recovery
More than 39,000 people have died in the earthquake and aftermath in Turkey and Syria. And with every hour, hope is fading that rescuers will find more survivors.

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Judge in Georgia releases part of grand jury report on Trump campaign election interference
Jurors believe that at least one unnamed witness lied to them in their investigation of former President Donald Trump's attempts to overturn the 2020 presidential election results in Georgia.

The classic picture book 'Goodnight Moon' is 75 years old

Author Margaret Wise Brown died young. She wasn't particularly fond of kids, but she also wrote "The Runaway Bunny" and "Big Red Barn."

Massachusetts group creates country's first hotline for domestic abusers
The hotline is called "A Call for Change" and it's available 12 hours a day.

Ohio residents call for transparency after train derailment
Hundreds of people gathered for an open house with officials on Wednesday.

Toni Morrison's creative life is on display in new exhibit
The exhibit is called "Toni Morrison: Sites of Memory."

In Iran, anger still simmers months after antigovernmental protests
Mary Louise Kelly spoke with the country's foreign minister and spoke to people about the recent protests.

Kentucky lawmakers look to categorize abortion as homicide
The state Supreme Court is expected to soon decide whether the state's "trigger ban" on abortion after the end of Roe v. Wade was constitutional.

Montana Republicans consider launching new child tax credit — but there's a catch
Lawmakers in deep-red Montana are weighing whether to give cash to families struggling to pay the bills. But some parents are being left out.

'Every Voice' podcast explores marginalized classical music artists
The first 16-episode season will focus on the problematic — and often racist — portrayals of Black characters in some of Mozart and Verdi's most famous operas.

Indian authorities raid local BBC offices after Modi documentary
The move again raised concerns about press freedom.

How Asian immigrants helped transform American agriculture
James Nakahara's grandparents were among the Japanese-American farming families sent to internment camps at the start of World War II when President Roosevelt issued Order 9066.

How the Assad regime is capitalizing on international efforts for earthquake relief
The Syrian regime has finally allowed aid to reach an area of the country that was badly damaged by the quake.

How northern Syria is recovering from the deadly earthquake
The Assad regime just started letting aid and international support into the affected areas this week.

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What the end of StripperWeb means for sex workers
It was a place where adult entertainment workers across the country could come together.

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'Reviving Ophelia' author Mary Pipher finds joy in bleak times in new memoir 'A Life in Light'
In her latest book, Mary Pipher examines her own life.

It's time for colleagues to learn how to say your name correctly
With the rise of conversations about inclusivity in the workplace, many are choosing to shed their anglicized names and encourage people to call them by their real name.

Leading figures in Iranian diaspora trying to advance one goal: Restoring democracy
Iranian exiles will urge western democracies to support a protest movement in Iran.

The evolution of Black American English
Black American English is constantly changing.

Week in politics: Nikki Haley enters 2024 race
AP polling has shown that Republicans are evenly divided on whether Trump should run again.

'Mario' creator Shigeru Miyamoto on the launch of Super Nintendo World at Universal Studios
Hollywood
Miyamoto looks back on how he created Mario and how the character evolved.

These authors are putting the dark in dark romance
These stories come with content warnings, morally-gray characters and plots riddled with trauma and violence.

Tesla recalls 362,758 vehicles over self-driving safety fears
The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration asked the electric car company to make some changes to its self-driving software because of concerns about safety.

Turkish family looks back on what they lost in the earthquake
In Turkey and Syria, people in shock and grief are trying to pick up the pieces of their families.

Former Wells Fargo executive opens up about leadership failures during account scandal
In 2016, news broke that Wells Fargo bank employees opened up bogus accounts in customers' names to meet unattainable sales goals.

Biden wants to make the USDA more equitable. How's it going?
Farmers depend on the U.S. Department of Agriculture for loans and other resources. But over the past century, the department has left out what it calls "socially disadvantaged" farmers, ranchers...

Fox News anchors denied election fraud claims behind the scenes
After the 2020 election, Fox News repeatedly broadcast false claims that Trump was cheated out of a second term. Those claims are the subject of a \$1.6 billion defamation suit...

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Teen anxiety is on the rise — especially among girls, LGBTQ youth
Several possible reasons are being attributed to the rise of mental health issues among teenagers.

What Russian elite really think about Putin's war in Ukraine
President Biden made a surprise visit to Ukraine Monday.

How do different government agencies define what a homeless child is
The U.S. Department of Education and Housing and Urban Development define who is a homeless child differently.

What's going on with Bing's AI chatbot?
As people started using the chatbot, a darker side emerged.

Local crime bills cause conflict in Congress
This comes after the D.C. council approved changes to update the local criminal code.

U.S. calls Russia's actions in Ukraine war crimes at Munich Security Conference
Heads of state and top diplomats from around the world met in Munich this weekend.

Scotland in flux as government's leader announces resignation
Scotland's First Minister Nicola Sturgeon announced her plans to resign after 8 years at the helm.

'The Quiet Girl' makes noise as the first Irish language film to get an Oscar nomination
The film tells the story of a 9-year-old Cáit, a quiet girl who is sent to live with her mother's relatives.

South Africa moves forward on naval drill with Russia, China
South Africa has officially taken a neutral stance on the Ukraine war. But inside South Africa, some are saying that by hosting Russian warships now, South Africa has essentially sided...

Georgia residents remember Jimmy Carter's legacy
Former President Jimmy Carter entered hospice care at his home in Plains, Georgia, over the weekend.

Looking for a new job? Distant relationships in your network may help more than close connections
A vast study of LinkedIn connections shows the "power of weak ties."

East Palestine, Ohio, residents concerned about water, air despite assurances both are safe
Delaware Riverkeeper Network deputy director Tracy Carluccio discusses lessons learned from a similar train wreck and chemical release in 2012 in the small town of Paulsboro, New Jersey.

President Biden makes surprise visit to Ukraine as Russian war nears 2nd year
To mark almost a year since Russia's invasion, Biden made a historic visit to Ukraine's capital on Monday.

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Some Alabama students face dangerous trek to school

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In Alabama, school buses are not accessible for students who live within two miles of their school.

Black bookstore owners recommend favorite books by Black authors

Black authors have written some of the most inspiring literature of our time — but rarely get the attention they deserve.

How remote work is changing the office space market

More companies that manage large amounts of office space are defaulting on their loans.

How a year of war in Ukraine is impacting families

Megan Buskey, author of "Ukraine Is Not Dead Yet," talks about her family in western Ukraine and reflections on the war and its impact on the people in the country.

Supreme Court considers whether internet platforms should be held liable for content

The case involves Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act, a 1996 law that shields Internet companies from liability for content posted by others on their sites.

'We will not tire:' Biden affirms a strong commitment to Ukraine and pushes back on Putin

Biden is in Poland today ahead of the one-year mark of Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

Russia suspends participation in the last remaining nuclear arms control pact with the U.S.

Russian President Vladimir Putin announced Tuesday that his country would suspend participation in the New START treaty, the last remaining nuclear arms control agreement with the U.S.

Remembering Nina Simone on her birthday

The singer-songwriter, pianist and civil rights activist would have turned 90. She died in 2003 from breast cancer.

Despite new attention, balloons and other flying objects have been filling U.S. skies for decades

The president of one of the country's largest manufacturers of balloons says the number and scope of balloons and other objects should not have come as a surprise to officials....

Why the plant-based meat industry is no longer sizzling

Plant-based meat substitutes, like Beyond Meat and Impossible Burger, seemed so promising a few years ago when they began being marketed widely. Since then, sales of plant-based meat have slumped.

In Minnesota, 'tis the season for dog sledding

Heavy snow and cold air is spreading across the north and midwest this week.

Extreme weather expected across the country this week

Meteorologists expect exceptionally cold temperatures in the West, unseasonably warm temperatures in the South and a winter storm.

Aftershock hits Turkey, two weeks after deadly earthquake

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A 6.3 magnitude quake shook Turkey's southern province near the Syrian border on Monday.

Buttigieg calls on rail companies to improve safety, but industry has resisted

The Lever's Matthew Cunningham-Cook co-wrote a detailed examination of how the rail industry has fought tougher regulations on freight trains carrying hazardous chemicals through residential neighborhoods such as East...

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The FDA faces backlash over their guidelines on what foods can be marketed as 'healthy'

The agency's proposal includes guidelines on the amount of key nutritious ingredients that has to be present in the food in order for it to be labeled as healthy.

'Imposter Syndrome' explores navigating a culturally confused existence

"Imposter Syndrome and other confessions of Alejandra Kim" centers around a Korean-Argentine teenager from Queens, New York.

Alabama coal miners strike may end soon after nearly two years

The union has offered an unconditional return to work while continuing contract negotiations.

Future of the Salton Sea is tied to fate of imperiled Colorado River

The Salton Sea — California's largest lake — is spiraling into an ecological disaster.

Mexico's former top security official convicted of taking bribes from drug cartels

Garcia Luna was convicted of secretly taking millions of dollars in bribes from the Sinaloa cartel.

Poll: How Biden and Republican candidates' chances are shaping up in 2024 presidential election

Biden's approval among Democrat voters is on the rise.

India still won't condemn Russia, a year into the Ukraine war

The world's largest democracy still hasn't criticized Moscow's actions and continues to buy Russian oil and arms.

What does it mean that Tucker Carlson has exclusive access to surveillance video from Jan. 6

Court documents reveal Fox News hosts and executives knew they were lying when they promoted falsehoods about election fraud on the air.

Legal challenges likely over proposed U.S. asylum rule

The Biden administration has proposed a new rule that would make it more difficult for migrants fleeing unsafe conditions in their home countries to apply for asylum.

Paleoclimatologists seek clues about hurricanes in ocean sediment as Florida rebuilds after Ian

The storm killed 148 people and caused between \$50 and \$65 billion in insured losses. Across Florida, 5,000 homes were destroyed and another 30,000 damaged.

Supreme Court to rule on wetlands protection case

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The Environmental Protection Agency recently released new rules that decide which bodies of water fall under federal protection. But a case before the U.S. Supreme Court throws those rules into...

Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine on East Palestine train derailment

Three weeks after the derailment, EPA administrator Michael Regan is warning people there not to drink well water unless it's been tested.

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3 recipes that will bowl you over at breakfast, lunch and dinner

The idea is to use a bowl — playing off the roundness, the curve of the vessel — to layer food into one satisfying meal.

Kharkiv resident weighs in on war, hope, despair and moving forward, one year into Ukraine war
Maria Avdeeva made the decision early on not to leave her home in Kharkiv — even as she watched entire neighborhoods, landmarks and public spaces decimated, acquaintances injured or killed,...

Daytime Israeli raid leaves at least 11 dead in Nablus

At least 11 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli troops in a rare daytime raid in the West Bank.

With everything on the line, Arizona and California farmers prepare for fight over Colorado River

With the Colorado River teetering on the brink of disaster, farmers who rely on its life-giving water are preparing to make significant cuts to their operations.

Sarah Lawrence cult member sentenced to more than four years in prison

On Wednesday in Manhattan, a judge sentenced Isabella Pollok to more than four years in prison, after Pollok pleaded guilty for her role in helping Larry Ray exploit a group...

The latest on Chicago's upcoming mayoral race

With nine candidates on the ballot, the race is crowded and could go to a run-off if no candidate secures more than 50% of the vote.

Rep. Schiff: Fox host getting Jan. 6 video will fuel 'dangerous conspiracy theories'

House Speaker Kevin McCarthy is defending his decision to provide Fox News host Tucker Carlson with exclusive access to more than 40,000 hours of security footage taken during the Jan....

What is Ukraine like for people with disabilities — and those who fled

Just about a year into Russia's war on Ukraine, how are the almost 3 million disabled Ukrainians faring?

The last all-Black college swim team is on the verge of victory

They're on the cusp of winning the Northeast Conference Championship, which would be their first title in nearly 30 years.

NPR announces layoffs as tough financial outlook impacts media industry

NPR plans to cut 10% of its workforce.

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Five months after Hurricane Ian, Fort Myers residents need homes, FEMA aid and trauma care
The cost of the damage was high: between 50 and 65 billion in insured losses, including 5,000 destroyed homes and another 30,000 damaged.

Former Soviet diplomat on Russia's foreign service
He is dismayed the current spokesman for Russia embassy there, who he says served up Putin's lies.

Southern California issued a rare blizzard warning as new storm enters the state
The winter storm plundering parts of northern U.S. has caused massive power outages, school closures and grounded flights.

NTSB releases report on East Palestine train derailment
Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg is in town.

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'Murdaugh Murders: A Southern Scandal' debuts same week Alex Murdaugh testifies in murder trial
South Carolina family and other bizarre deaths associated with them.

'A purpose beyond the notes': Braxton Cook's new album blends jazz, R&B and a social message
Braxton Cook has worked with Rhianna, Quincy Jones and Solange Knowles among many others.

Where did all the workers go?
Millions of U.S. workers left the job market during the pandemic.

Growing lettuce in a vertical farm uses drastically less water. Is it a solution for a hotter climate?
If you're eating a salad in Buffalo, Boston or Cincinnati, there's a pretty good chance the lettuce was grown near the U.S. Mexico border with water from the Colorado River....

How a year of war in Ukraine reshaped politics and alliances
The U.S. defense secretary has spoken of "difficult times ahead" in a war that has reshaped the global economy and European alliances.

Urban North Carolina park to honor legacy of formerly enslaved man who forged a path to freedom
Peter Oliver was born into enslavement in the 1700s. His descendants are part of a group honoring his life and legacy with a new urban park called Peter Oliver Pavilion...

Nieves Riedel immigrated from Mexico as a child. Now, she's concerned about border crossings
Mayor Nieves Riedel of San Luis, Arizona, shares the challenges the city faces.

It's 'Puppy Love': How Bendu, an elder dog with terminal cancer, found his forever home
Older dogs, particularly those with special needs, are difficult to place in new homes.

What to expect in Nigeria's presidential election

With the current president stepping down, it's a rare moment where the field of successors is wide open.

Michigan storm leaves hundreds of thousands without power
Freezing rain, snow and wind gusts took down trees and power lines on Wednesday.

What to know about Russia's military capacity as the war in Ukraine hits the year mark
Many expected a quick and decisive victory for Russia. But supported by NATO allies, Ukraine fought back and put Russia on the defensive.

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The health risk of alcohol may be worse than you know
Even the old standard of one or two drinks a day poses increased risks of cancer and heart disease.

Montana rancher reconsiders gun ownership in 'Holding Fire'
When Bryce Andrews inherited his grandfather's revolver, it seemed to fit in with his life there. But over the years, he grew to believe owning that gun wasn't good for...

Black communities react to Black history curricula in and out of classrooms
Educators are navigating political landmines as more states introduce legislation about teaching Black history in the classroom.

Podcast follows Ukrainian soccer team as it plays through the adversity of war and inspires a nation
Two reporters follow the team and its youth academy with unprecedented access and stories of resilience and heartbreak.

Texas federal just could rule on abortion medication any time
If he rules to temporarily ban the drug from the market, women nationwide could lose access.

Mexico City residents protest changes to electoral laws
Critics say the changes threaten democracy.

Newspapers drop 'Dilbert' comic strip after cartoonist made controversial statements
Cartoonist Scott Adams went on a racist rant in his online video program last week — and it wasn't the first time he made controversial remarks.

Rihanna, Lady Gaga and TikTok hit 'Naatu Naatu' top the list of Oscars Best Original Song nominees
The Oscars are only a couple weeks away.

Personal savings slump amid inflation and interest hikes
The personal savings rate, which is the amount of money people have after spending and taxes, currently stands at 4.7% — lagging behind the pre-pandemic rate of 8.8%.

Voice actors speak out about AI

Voice actor Mike Cooper recently stumbled upon his own voice being used without his knowledge for artificial intelligence.

Syrian-American doctor in Syria: The 'situation is catastrophic. It's beyond description'
Dr. Zaher Sahloul discusses his group's earthquake relief efforts in northern Syria, which is controlled by rebels fighting the regime of President Bashar al-Assad.

What happens to waste from East Palestine train derailment?
The Environmental Protection Agency has given approval for contaminated waste to continue to be shipped out of East Palestine, Ohio. Over the weekend, shipments were halted after waste was taken...

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American democracy is in need of repairs. How can we begin to fix it?
Tackling our biggest problems like economic inequality, gun violence and the climate crisis will require a major renovation.

Howard men's swim wins first title in more than 30 years
The Howard men's swim team won the Northeast Conference Championship on Sunday.

'The Last Tale of The Flower Bride': Monstrous teen girls, a marriage of lies and fairy tale horror
Once upon a time, a man falls head over heels for a stunning but mysterious woman. She agrees to marry him on one condition, that he never ask her about...

New Brexit deal for Northern Ireland announced
The deal is hoped to resolve a big issue that has fueled post-Brexit tensions in Europe since the Brexit vote in 2016.

'The Big Myth' explores the belief that free markets are a fundamental American right
Harvard professor and author Naomi Oreskes co-authored "The Big Myth" with Erik M. Conway.

Do states have standing in Supreme Court student loan case?
A number of states sued over the debt cancellation arguing it is government overreach.

New House committee on China holds primetime hearing tonight to discuss U.S.-China relations
Witnesses for the hearing include former Trump administration national security advisers and a human rights activist.

Power grid attacks are on the rise, according to confidential industry analysis
Attacks on the power grid across the United States spiked last year — they're up more than 70%, according to the analysis.

Major League Baseball introduces pitch clock and other new rules to speed up the game
The new pitch clock is designed to speed up games. Batters can strike out if they aren't in the batter's box in a certain amount of time.

Colorado state park helps people with disabilities trek the trails

People with disabilities are able to enjoy scenic hiking trails thanks to a program that provides heavy-duty wheelchairs.

China ups its balloon capacity

China has been quietly upgrading its ability to float balloons in "near space," which means they can be used for intelligence gathering and to improve hypersonic weapons systems.

A former general's mission to rename military bases

Former military Gen. Ty Seidule once revered Confederates, especially Robert E. Lee. But during his tenure in the military, Seidule learned that they weren't patriots, as he previously thought.

How the Ohio train derailment underlines political risks for Biden

Clean-up continues in East Palestine, Ohio.

Supreme Court hears arguments on student loans

The Congressional Budget Office found the plan would cost \$300 billion over a decade.

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Southern Baptist Convention ousts megachurch for employing female ministers

The Convention kicked out Saddleback Church, one of the country's biggest megachurches.

How online mental health apps helped lead to overdiagnosis of ADHD and a shortage of Adderall

Experts to look into whether there was excessive prescribing.

Passenger train collision in Greece kills dozens, injures more

It's not yet known why the trains were on the same track.

Eli Lilly to lower insulin prices by 70%

The plan would automatically cap out-of-pocket costs for insulin at \$35 for those with insurance.

Pollution from sugar farming burns area residents

Tons of ash falls from the sky. Area residents in south Florida call it black snow, and it is making some of them sick.

What Nigeria's newest president Bola Ahmed Tinubu faces after a tumultuous election

The divisive leader has dodged questions about his health, age, and financial practices, and is now tasked with uniting the country after a historically divisive election and ongoing security turmoil.

Incumbent Lightfoot loses Chicago Mayor's race, which heads to runoff next month

Lori Lightfoot has become the first mayor in 40 years to lose re-election after one term, in part because of high crime rates.

How a Zoloft marketing man's idea turned into a very common test for depression

The PHQ-9 asks questions like whether you've been feeling down, if you've have trouble concentrating or if you've had major appetite changes. But that original idea was devised by a...

Key Huay Quan's acting renaissance could culminate in an Oscar win

Actor Ke Huy Quan is considered a front-runner for an Academy Award for his performance in "Everything Everywhere All at Once."

More airplane near misses cause concern for passengers, FAA

There was a close call between two jets at Boston's Logan Airport on Monday night, but fortunately, one of the pilots managed to change course.

Abortion ban could worsen Wyoming doctor shortage

Some homegrown medical students say they're looking for jobs out of state as state lawmakers are pushing bills criminalizing abortion.

Boston organization helps hundreds of Ukrainian refugees resettle, one year after the war began

Liz Davis-Edwards, founder of WelcomeNST who was in Ukraine a few months ago, talks about the needs on the ground and how refugees are welcomed in the U.S.

More than 5 million people will be close to famine as Pakistan economy verges collapse, UN says
Pakistanis have a proud tradition of feeding the hungry. But as the country approaches economic default, lines for free meals are growing longer even in once-prosperous cities.

Rep. Andy Kim expresses misgivings about tone of House hearing on China

There was no shortage of strong words against China at Tuesday night's prime-time hearing of that new select committee on competition between the U.S. and China.

Thursday, March 2, 2023

'The Adventures of Amina Al-Sirafi' explores motherhood, faith through pirate heist on the high seas
Author Shannon Chakraborty talks about motherhood and faith in her book.

Hospice nurse dispels misconceptions about hospice care

Former President Jimmy Carter's decision to forego further curative treatment and seek hospice at home in his final days has prompted many questions about hospice.

Delta pilots get new wage deal

The deal is expected to spur further agreements throughout the rest of the industry.

Public radio's 'Mountain Stage' celebrates 40 years

The show been a staple for fans of live music in West Virginia and beyond for decades.

What are the implications if government invests in specific industries?

The application process started this week for semiconductor manufacturers who want to get funding under the Biden Administration's Chips Act.

Israelis protest government plans to weaken judiciary

A group of demonstrators even surround Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's wife at a hair salon.

Concern grows over Iran enriching uranium to near weapon-making level

A top defense official says Iran could produce enough fissile material for one nuclear bomb in about 12 days.

Meet a master falconer who trains birds on Kansas' grasslands

Monte Markley read "My Side of the Mountain" as a kid and was captivated by the story of a boy and his falcon. He's now a master falconer.

The question of Russian collaboration in a Ukraine war zone

In Ukraine, like in other war zones throughout history, some residents have worked with occupiers to help get through each day. And that creates a lot of murky questions.

Rural communities of color and farmworkers are most vulnerable to pesticide exposure

California farmworkers are fighting for changes to protect their health.

Havana Syndrome was not caused by a foreign adversary, U.S. intelligence agencies say

Havana Syndrome refers to the unexplained illnesses that have severely injured American diplomats and intelligence officers worldwide.

Blinken, Larov meet on sidelines of G20 meeting in India

Secretary of State Antony Blinken and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov met briefly on the sidelines of a G20 meeting in India — their first face-to-face encounter since the war...

Friday, March 3, 2023

Remembering jazz legend Wayne Shorter

Wayne Shorter died Thursday at the age of 89.

Removing PFAS from drinking water could get more challenging

Massachusetts has one of the strictest PFAS limits for drinking water in the country. The forthcoming EPA standards on PFAS limits could be even more stringent.

U.S. abortion rights advocates look to Latin America, where access has expanded

As abortion access dwindles across the U.S., it's expanding in Latin America.

Judge rules that Starbucks illegally fired employees for union campaign

Starbucks is considering whether to appeal the judge's ruling.

Late Eva Cassidy's voice gets new life on album with London Symphony Orchestra

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The album is called "I Can Only Be Me."

El Salvador's new mega-prison gets first inmates

The new jail is a key part of President Nayib Bukele's war on crime.

The case for a more measured approach to countering China

Professor Jessica Chen Weiss argues that continuing to harden the U.S. stance and view China as an enemy rather than a competitor, risks raising tensions and provoking a conflict.

'The Mandalorian' returns for its 3rd season

NPR TV critic Eric Deggans says the season's slow start reveals a show facing one of the most important challenges yet.

Renters take office on Los Angeles City Council

In Los Angeles, the county board and city council have long been dominated by homeowners. But most residents rent.

The end of pandemic food assistance leaves millions vulnerable to insecurity

Starting this month, the extra pandemic benefits have ended and left households with anywhere between \$95 and \$250 less per month for groceries.

California mountains brace for snow

Forecasters say some of California's mountainous areas will get several feet of more snow this weekend.

Audio from moments before Greek train tragedy made public

The death toll from the train crash near the Greek city of Larissa on Tuesday has risen to 57. The incident has led to civil unrest.

East Palestine residents express anger at train company in heated public meeting

Residents are still searching for answers a month after a train carrying toxic chemicals derailed in the town.

Politics roundtable: From Santos investigation to CPAC

After a unanimous bipartisan vote, the House Ethics Committee is moving forward with an investigation into New York Republican Congressman George Santos.

Monday, March 6, 2023

Why we're still arguing about masks and the origins of COVID-19

While it might look like the conventional wisdom surrounding the virus has been upended, the truth is far more murky.

One way to stop the next pandemic: Teach subsistence farmers how to get better crop yield

Experts say to expect another global pandemic in our lifetime if things don't change.

New book vending machines showcase Afrofuturist authors
The goal is to increase readership of the genre among children and adults.

'The Great Escape' tells of human trafficking in post-Katrina Mississippi
The book tells the story of his efforts to help Indian workers who were lured to Mississippi to repair oil rigs post-Katrina and then essentially imprisoned by their employers.

The case for heat pumps, a climate-friendly investment
Converting from oil and gas to electric powered heat pumps is an expensive, uphill climb for some homeowners.

Trump vows to be candidate of 'retribution,' one potential rival drops out
Maryland Governor Larry Hogan's decided not to run for the Republican presidential nomination.

Educators and students kick off first-ever National Civic Learning Week
The week comes at a time of efforts to erode America's democracy, including false claims of rigged elections and the assault of the U.S. Capitol.

New evidence of early horseback riders discovered
The new study adds to growing research on when people first started using horses for transportation.

Another child care crisis: Diaper affordability
Several states are weighing solutions to one factor in the child care crisis: Diapers.

Amazon closing 8 Go stores, pausing Arlington HQ2 construction as murky economic picture persists
The closures are part of a wider attempt to cut costs across the company while it grapples with slowing sales and a worrying economic outlook.

Haitians have a new avenue to come to the U.S., but misinformation stands in the way
In an effort to curb dangerous sea voyages from Haiti to the U.S., the Biden Administration has rolled out a new humanitarian parole program.

Washington Post investigation uncovers massacre in Tigray villages perpetrated by Eritrean troops
Soldiers killed more than three people across several villages. The attack took place just days before a peace deal put an end to a bloody two-year conflict in Tigray.

What the next generation of disability activists can learn from Judy Heumann
Judy Heumann's years of advocacy and lobbying ultimately led to the federal Americans With Disabilities Act.

California communities in Sierra Nevada and San Bernardino Mountains try to recover from snow
California's National Guard members and firefighters will be working to free people who are still snowed in.

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Where are all the after-school programs?
Caregivers have a hard time figuring out after-school care.

The challenge of getting accurate news into Russia
Early in the war, many international news organizations left Russia — some were forced out for coverage and others left for safety and impartiality reasons. This has left a very...

In Maine, surfing isn't just a summer sport
You'll find riders catching waves in Maine all winter long.

Director Baz Luhrmann on Oscar-nominated 'Elvis'
True to Luhrmann movies — think Moulin Rouge, Australia the Great Gatsby — it's big. But so was Elvis, who remains the greatest-selling solo artist of all time.

United Nations looks to protect open waters under new agreement
Only 1% of the world's oceans are marine-protected areas.

Residents of Sierra Foothills continue digging out of snow
Residents were inundated with several feet of snow. Now the forecast predicts rain.

Keystone's biggest oil spill cleanup continues in Kansas
The Environmental Protection Agency estimates 588,000 gallons of oil were spilled over land and into Mill Creek.

Former BET CEO's memoir reflects on Aretha Franklin, Chris Brown and her own #MeToo moment
In Debra Lee's new memoir, she looks back at her life as well as her time at Black Entertainment Television.

23 people face domestic terrorism charges after protesting Atlanta's so-called 'Cop City'
Opponents claim the project betrays the city's commitment to green space.

Turkey government builds temporary shelters for earthquake survivors
Most of them are currently in tents with no access to toilets or running water.

U.S. special advisor on the needs of people with disabilities worldwide
Judy Heumann was known as the leader of the modern disability rights movement, and Sara Minkara is continuing her important work.

Florida legislature aims to expand 'Don't Say Gay' law and gun rights, curb diversity initiatives
Florida's Republican-controlled state legislature begins Tuesday amid expectations that Governor Ron DeSantis will run for president.

2 Americans kidnapped in Mexico found dead, another wounded
Two of the four Americans kidnapped in northern Mexico last week have been found dead, according to Mexican and U.S. officials.

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A woman's journey through mental health: Naomi Jackson documents her struggle with bipolar disorder

Recent surveys showed 90% of Americans believe the country is facing a mental health crisis.

From farmland to wetland: Millions of acres in North Carolina spring back to life

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...

The Beatbox House on traveling to Asia for the State Department

The Brooklyn-based group will travel to Asia for beatbox competitions, workshops, and collaborations with local artists.

New weight loss drugs like Ozempic could shift cultural views around obesity, doctors say

Behind this alluring narrative, there's also concern that pharmaceutical companies are taking marketing for these anti-obesity drugs too far.

D.C. criminal code revision exposes political divides on crime

Republicans are accusing Democrats of being "soft on crime."

Whether sweet, salty or savory, it's a date: 3 recipes that make use of this underappreciated fruit

When you ask Joan Smith, owner of Rancho Meladuco in Mecca, California, about dates, you're met with an onslaught of adjectives: "Meaty. Soft. Delicate. Buttery. Complex. Rich. Dense. Chewy. Boozy...."

How 'The Last of Us' translates a video game to an HBO show

"The Last of Us" season finale premieres this Sunday.

DOJ sues JetBlue over attempted takeover of Spirit Airlines

The announcement does not come as surprise. The DOJ was widely expected to make this move.

Grant offers non-traditional housing for Alaskans who are homeless

The program side-steps federal housing requirements and offers recipients one year of free, stable housing so they can find work and childcare.

Amid record drug deaths, Biden administration faces pressure to keep fentanyl away from the border

Critics are wary of the U.S. entering another new drug war, echoing policy failures that sent millions to prison while drug gangs thrived.

China's National People's Congress is meeting this week

There's sharper rhetoric toward the U.S. coming from the government.

International Women's Day marked by protests, marches and speeches

This is the first International Women's Day in 50 years where American women do not have the right to abortion.

5 women sue Texas over abortion restrictions

They argue they were "denied necessary and potentially life-saving obstetrical care" because their doctors feared fines, prison time and loss of medical licenses under the state's abortion restrictions.

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Steven Spielberg talks sharing his story even before 'The Fabelmans' at Golden Globes

There have been so many Spielberg films, but "The Fabelmans" is a lightly fictionalized version of the filmmaker's own life.

Why one Muslim Department of Corrections worker hasn't shaved his beard, despite new policy
Sikh and Muslim workers say they're being forced to choose between their religion and their job.

California cut ties with Walgreens. What's the impact?

"We're done." Those are the words used by California's Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom while announcing the end of the state's multi-million dollar contracts with the pharmacy chain Walgreens.

Aboriginal land acknowledgements are the norm in Australia. What's the significance?

Host Deepa Fernandes recently took a trip back to Sydney, to visit family. And while listening to the radio, she heard broadcasters acknowledging the indigenous land they were on.

DOJ report finds pattern of excessive force in Louisville police, activists call it 'vindication'

Local activists see the report as "vindication" that their long-held claims against the department are being seen. But the work is just beginning to reform the department.

Senators grill CEO of Norfolk Southern over disastrous train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio

Republicans and Democrats on the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works took him to task in a hearing on the toxic train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio today.

Boston wants more electric vehicles on its roads — but chargers aren't equitably distributed

The city of Boston wants the majority of new car purchases to be electric by 2050. That means it'll need more chargers too.

Pritzker Prize winner David Chipperfield is calling on architects to tackle climate change, housing
Buildings designed by David Chipperfield are often described as "understated."

Many California farmworkers are reaching retirement age without access to benefits

More and more undocumented workers are reaching retirement age but can't afford to stop working.

Why the U.S. unemployment system isn't ready for another recession

At the start of the pandemic, the unemployment system in the U.S. was stretched thin, stress-tested, yet more essential than ever.

Georgia's new nuclear reactor is 1st to start up in U.S. in 7 years. Here's why it matters
The plant will be fully in service in just over two months' time.

Migrants flee Tunisia amid government crackdown on sub-Saharan Africans
For weeks now, the Tunisian government has arrested hundreds of Black migrants unable to present their residency papers.

Biden budget would raise taxes for some to bolster Medicare
The budget includes a tax on incomes over \$400,000 to fund Medicare.

Friday, March 10, 2023

Monitoring California's repeat storms from the Berkeley Snow Lab
In some higher elevation communities, snow is falling on top of huge amounts already burying cars and homes.

How East Palestine, Ohio, farmers are feeling as soil testing begins
Farmers gathered at a meeting Thursday night to discuss plans with federal, state and local officials.

An 8-year-old Nicaraguan boy died on a Wisconsin dairy farm. What happened?
Jefferson Rodriguez was an 8-year-old boy who died of a head injury on a dairy farm in Dane County, a half hour north of Madison, Wisconsin.

Policing in Louisville and Biden budget come under microscope in Washington D.C.
Republicans are dismissing the budget that President Biden proposed this week in part because it would raise taxes on the wealthy to keep Medicare funded for another 25 years.

Thriller 'Unseen' brings a different kind of Asian hero to the screen
The new thriller centers around the partnership between an E.R. doctor fleeing an abusive boyfriend and a gas station clerk who are connected by a misdialled phone call.

Oscar preview: Who's new, who could win and will Will Smith be mentioned?
Last year, Best Actor winner Will Smith slapped Oscar host Chris Rock after Rock had joked about Smith's wife, Jada Pinkett Smith.

Silicon Valley Bank shares plummet for 2nd day as pressure grows on banking sector
Experts are worried that more banks might incur similar heavy losses on their bond portfolios.

Johns Hopkins Coronavirus Resource Center counts its last COVID case
The university says it could start up something again, if necessary, for the next pandemic.

Russia unleashes deadly barrage of airstrikes across Ukraine
At least 9 people are dead after Russia launched airstrikes across 10 regions of Ukraine on Thursday.

Kevin Durant sprains ankle, could miss weeks of play
The NBA star sprained his ankle during a pre-game warmup on Wednesday.

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3 questions with Sen. Elizabeth Warren about the debt ceiling, inflation and Fed plans to curb it
The Federal Reserve's projects that 2 million people will be out of work before the end of the year.

Activist Erin Brokovich shares health concerns she saw in East Palestine since train derailment
Activist Erin Brockovich has been visiting East Palestine, Ohio, following the derailment of a Norfolk Southern freight train carrying hazardous chemicals last month.

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Biden administration close to approving \$8 billion oil drilling project in Alaska
The decision will come just a day after the White House limited other projects in and around Alaska this weekend.

'Everything Everywhere All At Once' picks up 7 Oscar wins including Best Picture
"Everything Everywhere All at Once" won Best Picture and three out of the four acting categories.

Silicon Valley Bank fails: What happened and what's next?
It was the top bank for emerging tech and health start ups, and leaves many companies in compromising positions.

Do we need another 'Schoolhouse Rock'? Celebrating 50 years of the educational songs
The animated songs that educated kids and grown ups about civics, multiplication and grammar is now 50 years old.

North Carolina hearing could impact Supreme Court elections case
The case involves a controversial, fringe theory that state legislatures have power over federal elections.

Biden says 'banking system is safe' after 2 major bank failures
Biden spoke after Silicon Valley Bank collapsed on Friday and the New York-based Signature Bank failed Sunday.

3 years into COVID, remote work is here to stay
Working from home is now deeply part of workplace culture, but its flexibility also presents downsides.

Mining for cryptocurrency can be lucrative. But can it be done without stealing electricity?
In the small town of Cohasset, Massachusetts, a facilities director made a discovery: A cryptocurrency mining operation.

2 weeks after a blizzard in California, some residents are still snowed in
Volunteers are airlifting supplies to those stranded.

What does PFAS do to the body?
Scientists say consuming even small amounts can be toxic and lead to health concerns.

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What to know about AUKUS, an alliance between the U.S., UK and Australia
President Biden visited San Diego to meet with UK and Australia counterparts.

Reflecting on 3 years of COVID-19

More than 1.1 million Americans have died from the virus, and its origin is still unknown.

Biggest bank failures since 2008 prompt reassurance from Biden

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has stepped in to guarantee all uninsured deposits at Silicon Valley Bank and Signature Bank, but questions remain for the world economy.

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Biden goes back on former progressive campaign stances in recent policy, angering some Democrats
President Biden gave the greenlight for an Alaska oil project this week after he campaigned against drilling in 2020.

Pope Francis has been serving for 10 years

He made history when he became the Pontiff as the first Pope from the Americas and the first Pope from outside of Europe in 1,300 years.

Federal money is available for small communities. But how do they get it?

Rural communities are having a hard time figuring out how to apply for it.

'My Vermont Table' cookbook celebrates recipes with local ingredients from all 6 seasons in state

It's mud season in Vermont — time to put on a pair of boots and head to a sugar house where the sap is boiling. Mud season, of course, is...

Ukrainian forces continue bloody battle as Russia surrounds Bakhmut

Ukrainian soldiers are still entrenched in a bloody ground war for the eastern city of Bakhmut.

Co-founder of company that banked with SVB expresses relief

At first it wasn't clear if the government was going to guarantee the deposits above \$250,000, but now it has said it will.

Public colleges and universities hit hard by declines in enrollment

A shrinking population and the pandemic have led to steep declines in enrollment in regional public universities around the country.

Can we still love ballet in the #MeToo era?

Is it time to re-examine ballet culture in the era of #MeToo?

Remembering former Rep. Pat Schroeder

Former Rep. Patricia Schroeder died at the age of 82.

Wyoming officials prioritize avalanche education as more snow attracts backcountry users

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Officials are educating the public about avalanche risk.

What Saudi Arabia and Iran's new partnership means for United States influence in the Middle East
The nation behind the deal is China, a sign of the power's growing political influence in the region as U.S. power declines.

SVB collapse, continuing inflation: Federal Reserve in a bind
The likely interest rate uptick will come despite the recent banking industry turmoil caused by the collapse of two prominent banks. Silicon Valley Bank and Signature Bank.

Former FDIC chair on bank collapses
There are questions about whether the Fed should continue to raise interest rates to fight inflation.

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

Your favorite bumbling football coach is back: 'Ted Lasso' returns for Season 3
"Ted Lasso"'s third, and possibly final season is now streaming on Apple TV+.

Cyclone Freddy tears through Southern Africa
Cyclone Freddy is on track to be one of the longest-lasting and strongest cyclones on record.

Many indigenous Alaskans support Willow oil drilling project in the arctic
President Biden approved a massive oil pipeline in the North Slope of Alaska on Monday.

Savannah Bananas take on team of retired MLB players
This version of the game showed just how fun baseball can be.

'Handmaid's Tale' author Margaret Atwood releases short story collection 'Old Babes in the Wood'
Many of the stories center around the characters Nell and Tig and draw from events in Atwood's life.

Banking sector fears continue after major failures. What happens next?
New details of the effort to stave off a wider collapse over this weekend have come to light, painting a panicked picture from within the Federal Reserve and Federal Deposit...

EPA moves to limit toxic 'forever chemicals' called PFAS
The PFAS chemicals have been linked to cancer, birth defects and other health problems.

How insurance companies use AI algorithms to cut health care for seniors on Medicare Advantage
Insurance companies are using algorithms to cut off healthcare to vulnerable seniors subscribed to Medicare Advantage

Mount Aconcagua usually takes 10 to 14 days to summit. Tyler Andrews did it in less than 12 hours
In 2019, Tyler Andrews clocked the fastest-known running time on the 40-mile Salkanty rail through the Andes. He's also set speed records on Japan's Mount Fuji and Ohos Del Salado,...

Why are car prices still so high, compared to pre-pandemic costs?

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The average cost of a new vehicle tops \$48,000.

Antisemitic GDL network grows larger as violence against Jewish Americans abounds
Active around the country, the group has focused on Florida in recent months, with incidents in Daytona, Ormand Beach and South Orlando.

Did Detroit policing improve with federal oversight?
The Detroit Free Press uncovered officers used excessive deadly force, took part in illegal dragnet arrests and improper detentions.

Abortion pill arguments go before federal judge
If Mifepristone is no longer available, clinics and doctors say they plan to switch to only using the drug Misoprostol, which is slightly less effective at ending pregnancies.

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'Indebted' podcast explores high cost of personal debt in South Carolina
One of every three people in South Carolina have debt in collection. For people of color, it's one in two.

SXSW music festival 2023: Meet the new and emerging artists
More than 1,400 artists are playing on South by Southwest's 70+ stages.

2 years since Atlanta spa shootings: How the community mourns, update on shooter's trial
It's been two years since a gunman killed eight people, including six Asian women, at spas in Atlanta, Georgia.

In 'The Real Work,' New Yorker writer Adam Gopnik reflects on what it means to master something
Adam Gopnik attempts new skills including drawing, baking and boxing, and ponders what the experiences teach him.

After weeks of protests, what's the latest with Israel's planned judicial reforms?
The protestors are concerned by a proposal by the country's Justice Minister Yariv Levin which would dramatically weaken Israel's Supreme Court through several measures which have been described as authoritarian.

Bank update: Yellen before Senate, possible rescue of First Republic Bank
Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen told the Senate Finance Committee that the banking system is sound. But as she was testifying, the Wall Street Journal and Bloomberg News reported that America's...

Why fans love 'South Side' — and what's missing now after HBO canceled it
The hilarious show stood apart from other media about Chicago, first and foremost because it managed to celebrate the South Side even while joking about crime, poverty and corruption.

Removing fallopian tubes can prevent ovarian cancers without causing menopause. But who's eligible?
Most ovarian cancers start in the tubes.

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The 3-week filibuster over Nebraska transgender bill is finally over
State Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh has agreed to end her filibuster.

White House coordinator weighs in on public health, vaccines, and the future, 3 years into pandemic
It's been three years since COVID-19 spread around the globe, shut down economies, killed millions and changed the way we view public health.

Will selling TikTok to a U.S.-owned company make us safer?
TikTok parent company ByteDance says the Biden Administration is ordering it to sell the video-sharing app to an American-owned company or face being banned in the United States.

Video of U.S. drone shows interference by Russian jets
The video illustrates the heightened tensions between the U.S. and Russia.

Sen. Tina Smith on the U.S. banking system
Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen goes before Congress Thursday offering a reassuring message about the nation's financial system. But recent bank failures leave much in doubt.

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Examining the organizations pushing for anti-trans bills in state legislatures
This year alone, at least 31 state legislatures have introduced bills that target transgender youth, according to the ACLU.

March Madness begins with a shocking upset
The No. 15 seed Princeton Tigers knocked the No. 2 seed Arizona Wildcats out of the tournament.

COVID in literature: Unpacking standout books about the pandemic
The COVID-19 pandemic has started to make its way into both fiction and nonfiction.

Biotech companies grapple the fall of Silicon Valley Bank
The now-defunct Silicon Valley Bank was an incubating haven for startup companies.

How misleading information is fueling opposition to solar energy projects
The NPR climate desk finds organized opposition to local solar projects stemming from a group founded by a conservative operative called Citizens for Responsible Solar.

Banking system is sound, officials say, as politicians point fingers
We discuss the political and policy divides exposed by the rescue of three American banks in the past week.

Amish volunteers restore homes and hearts in hurricane-ravaged Louisiana
Aid programs have come and gone — but groups of Amish volunteers continue to help residents rebuild.

Brazil's Bolsonaro faces investigation for undisclosed, multi-million gift of diamonds
Brazil's far-right ex-President Jair Bolsonaro reportedly received the jewels as a gift from the Saudi Arabian government.

D.C. is pulling police officers out of city schools — but the mayor want to reverse the move
In 2021, the D.C. City Council voted to shrink the number of so-called school resource officers in its city schools. But the fierce debate on policing in schools continues, and...

In the Midwest, the latest pipeline wars don't involve oil and gas — but carbon dioxide
Critics say the process, known as carbon capture, is unproven and not a long-term solution to the climate crisis.

Is the banking crisis over?
A group of 11 banks has injected \$30 billion into First Republic bank.

Texas moves to take over Houston schools
It would be one of the largest state takeovers in U.S. history.

Monday, March 20, 2023

Will Credit Suisse's merger with UBS stabilize worries of a banking contagion?
Will this be enough to stave off fears of this contagion spreading to other big banks of the world?

How much pollution is a coke plant owned by William Koch pumping into the air?
Pollution from a petroleum coke plant owned by the Koch family may be higher than recordings indicate.

'Strangeland' podcast explores horrific murder in quiet New Jersey suburb 6 years ago
While it is a traditional true crime investigation on the surface, it also delves into issues of immigration, domestic violence and failings of the criminal justice system.

Bank failures may signal end of an era for Silicon Valley tech
Silicon Valley grew thanks to years of low-interest rates. But the biggest bank run in U.S. history this month may indicate that the era of easy money and risky moves...

Indigenous groups help Denver manage bison herds
In two of the city's mountain parks, about 60 bison roam.

Ret. Gen. David Petraeus: Iraq War is a 'massive cautionary tale' 20 years later
On this day 20 years ago, David Petraeus was a major general in command of the Army's 101st Airborne Division, storming toward Baghdad, to topple dictator Saddam Hussein, based on...

North Carolina prison system staff shortages and restrictions manifest in mental health crisis
Last year, there were 13 prisoner suicides in North Carolina.

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San Francisco considering reparations to compensate Black residents for centuries of harm
The city's Board of Supervisors is considering a draft proposal of potential reparations, including cash payments, guaranteed income and other measures.

Looking at troops who dissented, 20 years after the U.S. invasion of Iraq
Yingliung is an Iraq war vet who published an article in 2007 lambasting the leadership and morality of the U.S. military.

After a fraught 2 weeks, where is the banking sector at?
In a statement Tuesday morning, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen said "the situation is stabilizing" for the banking sector after a tumultuous two weeks.

For Grammy-winning tabla master Zakir Hussain, rhythm has no boundaries
Zakir Hussain is widely acknowledged as the best tabla player in the world.

Wyoming becomes first state to ban abortion pills
Gov. Mark Gordon's push to target abortion pills is just the latest in a national effort from conservative states to limit medicated abortion access.

The Manhattan DA's case against Trump: A closer look
A grand jury is expected to vote soon on whether to indict Trump. It would be the first indictment of a former president.

Pay-To-Breathe: Clean air is a luxury in India
Almost the entire population of India is being exposed to unhealthy levels of air pollution, according to guidelines set by the World Health Organization.

Medal of Arts winners include Bruce Springsteen, Gladys Knight
We appreciate the work of some of the Medal of Arts recipients honored at the White House Tuesday.

Asian seniors find 'sacred space' in ballroom dance, even after mass shooting
The San Francisco Chronicle's Cecilia Lei says "this isn't just about mental or physical exercise, it's about community connection" and joy in the face of tragedy.

Decades-old quilt resurfaces in Black neighborhood
In the first half of the 20th century, a neighborhood in Detroit called Black Bottom was the center of African American life. But it was all but wiped away by...

Sri Lanka secures \$3 billion IMF bailout for ailing economy
The nation is in the grips of an economic crisis, but it is hoped the bailout could kickstart a recovery.

The view on the ground in Baghdad at the start of the Iraq War 20 years ago
NPR news editor Larry Kaplow was a print reporter living and working in Baghdad 20 years ago.

Earth is on the verge of reaching catastrophic warming, UN climate report finds

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The world is on the verge of reaching catastrophic warming in the next 10 years unless nations take immediate action, according to the report.

Los Angeles school workers go on strike, closing schools
Workers are seeking a wage increase and better working conditions.

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A massive seaweed blob is floating Florida's way
The mass, referred to as the Great Atlantic Sargassum Belt, is expected to make landfall across coastlines this summer, threatening potential tourists and beachgoers with its sulfur-like smell.

Iraqi refugee remembers how his life and his country changed when the U.S. invaded 20 years ago
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Why interstellar object 'Oumuamua' — a visitor from another solar system — moved so strangely
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Two sons, lost: How a 1986 summer camp murder devastated two families
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U.S. government announces plan to overhaul organ transplant system
The same nonprofit organization has run the organ transplant system for 37 years.

TikTok CEO Shou Chew testifies before Congress
Chew defended the app from allegations that its Chinese parent company is giving away American users' data.

Denver could ban indefinite train rides, a safe haven for unhoused people
Buses and trains in the Denver metro area not only transport people from one place to another. They have also become a refuge for the growing unhoused population.

LA school strike set to end Thursday as contract talks continue
Support staff such as custodians, cafeteria workers and bus drivers are continuing a strike for higher pay.

Child care crisis: Teachers love kids, but 'need to be able to sustain ourselves'
When families stayed home in 2020 to prevent the spread of COVID-19, child care centers faced layoffs. Three years later, the labor force has yet to fully recover.

Clowns are back after taking a hit during the pandemic. But changes to the industry linger
Now that birthday parties and corporate events are back, so are the clowns.

Congress preps for battle over renewing intelligence gathering tool
Some lawmakers have concerns about the program.

American support for the Iraq War waxed and waned
Anti-war protests began to swell within months.

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'Better Call Saul's Bob Odenkirk stars in compelling new series 'Lucky Hank'
"Lucky Hank" is a new AMC show about a bitter professor at a mediocre college.

In Oregon, some students with disabilities are fighting 'an uphill battle' to go to school
Some parents are concerned students with disabilities are not getting equal access to school.

Legal problems engulf a handful of cryptocurrency firms
Coinbase, the largest U.S. crypto exchange, is facing possible legal action from the Securities and Exchange Commission.

In new kids picture book 'My Powerful Hair,' an Indigenous girl reclaims her heritage
The book tells the story of a young girl who grows her hair long, something her Native American grandmother and mother weren't permitted to do because it was perceived to...

Waiting on a Trump indictment and the rest of the week in politics
The grand jury in an investigation of hush money paid to an adult film star will meet on Monday in New York.

NOAA has relied on this 92-year-old volunteer weather observer for more than half a century
For centuries, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has relied on volunteers to collect daily weather data.

Need a lesson in 'Pieometry'? Baker Lauren Ko has you covered

The New York Times bestselling author talks about her path from Seattle social worker to Instagram-favorite pastry artist.

Parents in one Va. school district practice calm communication on culture war issues
A school system in Virginia has engaged parents and teachers in targeted discussions over the treatment of transgender students and mistrust of public schools.

In some states where marijuana is legal, regulation has been disparate on tribal lands
It's tricky for tribes to get into what is now a multibillion-dollar industry.

New Utah law to set limits on how children can use social media
The law signed by Republican Gov. Spencer Cox on Thursday requires those under 18 years old to get parental consent before signing up for sites like Instagram or TikTok.

Congress poised to repeal Iraq War authorization but keep broader military strike allowances
The votes are coming right as President Biden authorized a retaliatory strike in Syria after one U.S. contractor died and another five were wounded in a suspected Iran-backed drone strike.

U.S. carries out strike in Syria after deadly Iran-backed drone attack
The strikes were retaliation after a drone linked to Iran killed an American contractor and injured 5 American service members.

Monday, March 27, 2023

New North Carolina city park to honor legacy of formerly enslaved man who forged a path to freedom
Peter Oliver was born into enslavement in the 1700s. He asked the Moravians, a Protestant denomination, to buy him and he went on to live as a spiritual equal and...

Philly housing advocates say home appraisal industry is racially biased, push to diversify it
Most home appraisers in the U.S are white men. That, intentionally or not, has led to bias in the industry.

As AI and chatbots get more sophisticated, educators and students are getting savvy too
Chatbots are artificial intelligence algorithms that lets web users type questions into a text box to be answered by a "chat robot."

What does national financial news mean for your personal finances?
There has been a lot of financial news to follow recently: The turmoil in the banking system, another interest rate hike from the federal reserve and looming recession fears.

Josh Groban 'flexes his inner demons' with Annaleigh Ashford in Broadway's 'Sweeney Todd'
What's a nice singer like you doing in a show like this? A reasonable question for Josh Groban, starring in the titular role of Broadway's larger-than-life new "Sweeney Todd."

TikTok creators criticize Congress for TikTok CEO hearing

Members of Congress are almost universally critical of TikTok and its CEO Shou Chew. But creators disagree with lawmakers' perspective.

Protests in Israel over Netanyahu's plans to weaken judicial system
Netanyahu just fired his own defense minister, who spoke out against the proposal.

Disability activists fight for equality in the South
A new coalition of activists has formed to fight for disability justice in 14 states.

March Madness: Caitlin Clark sets NCAA triple-double record
The University of Iowa basketball star became the first NCAA women's player to get a 40-point triple-double, with 41 points, 10 rebounds and 12 assists.

What Trump's possible indictment and rhetoric means for democracy
It's another day of work for the grand jury hearing the case of whether or not former President Donald Trump should be charged with a crime for paying hush money...

Russian President Putin plans to move tactical nuclear weapons into Belarus
Belarus, which supports the kremlin, shares a border with northern Ukraine.

Response efforts continue after devastating tornado ravages Mississippi communities
At least 26 people were killed.

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Chinese commercial drone plays key role in Russian war in Ukraine
There's a lot of talk about China supplying weapons to Russia for its war in Ukraine.

'Jacir' explores a divided America through the eyes of a Syrian refugee
The film's main character Jacir, a refugee from Syria, struggles to make a new life in Memphis.

Following chemical spill, officials say Philadelphia tap water is safe to use through Wednesday
Officials continue to test and monitor the water.

From 'You Don't Own Me' to 'Survivor': A history of anthems that empower women
The roots of obvious anthems like Gloria Gaynor's "I Will Survive" and Aretha Franklin's "Respect" sprouted decades earlier.

As new military policy on abortion & reproductive health takes effect, GOP vows to fight it
Some Republicans in Congress are trying to block the policy.

A fire killed at least 39 migrants in Ciudad Juárez: What we know
At least 39 migrants are dead and 29 are injured.

For asylum seekers looking to Canada, new migration policy leads to arrest and safety concerns

Asylum seekers crossing from the U.S. to Canada now must remain in the first "safe" country they arrive in, which for most migrants would be the U.S.

Deforestation causes drought in tropical rainforests

Human activity is rapidly changing our environment, and there are some surprising consequences. Take the deforestation of rainforests — which destroys local ecosystems but also affects the weather.

On the 8th anniversary of its civil war, Yemen named the worst humanitarian crisis in the world Yet with all eyes on Russia's war on Ukraine and earthquakes in Turkey and Syria, Yemen has been largely forgotten.

Lebanon's prime minister reverses a daylight savings decision that caused chaos

Lebanon's prime minister delayed the start of daylight savings to let Muslims break their Ramadan fasts earlier. But the move unleashed so much chaos that the government had to reverse...

'No days off': This man ran at least a mile a day for the past 50 years

Neither rain nor snow or even a hernia operation can stop Sandy Hulme from running.

Georgia Supreme Court takes up 6-week abortion ban as other states debate similar bills

The law is in effect. But justices will consider whether a judge improperly blocked it last year after the U.S. Supreme Court overturned federal abortion rights.

Gun control reforms: A brief history

Following the mass shooting at an elementary school in Nashville, there have been renewed calls for action on gun legislation.

What we know about the deadly Nashville school shooting

The attack left three adults and three children dead.

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

The race to break through the final digital frontier in the Arctic

Firms are looking to place miles of undersea cables in the Arctic Ocean in order to better connect that part of the world with the rest of us.

'Uniting America' explores lessons from bipartisan alliance that shaped U.S. response to Hitler

As Adolf Hitler's Nazi armies threatened Europe, Democratic President Franklin D. Roosevelt urged divided Americans to mobilize to defend democracy and freedom.

Google's 'ghost workers' want labor rights

People who work to assure the quality of Google search results are asking for labor rights.

Summit for Democracy shadowed by political turmoil from Israel

At the virtual event, Biden pledged that the United States would spend \$690 million on democracy programs around the world.

How to use ChatGPT

ChatGPT, the AI chatbot developed by the company OpenAI, is now running on its fourth version. And it's already exceeding expectations.

New campaign highlights Black maternal health

Dr. Shalon's Maternal Action Project is launching a campaign aimed at raising awareness of the disproportionate rate that Black women die in and after pregnancy.

FDA approves over-the-counter sale of Narcan

The overdose-reversing nasal spray is a version of the drug naloxone.

How one lost orange cat turned up 150 miles from home

An orange cat named Buddy showed up in Homewood, Ala., after leaving his Atlanta home six months earlier.

Protests to continue across France as pension fight turns bitter

Some of the largest unions in France are calling for another nationwide day of strikes next week.

Nickel Creek celebrates return with new album 'Celebrants'

The trio, who first performed together as children last released an album in 2014.

Police response in Nashville school shooting receives praise

Nashville police swiftly responded to the shooting and released information about it, including body cam footage.

Immigrant advocate says Ciudad Juarez fire video is 'shocking to witness'

New security footage shows security guards walking away as migrants bang on a cell door during the deadly fire in Ciudad Juarez.

Israeli protester on what's next

After massive protests in Israel over a push by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to remake the judiciary, he is temporarily holding off on the plan.

Thursday, March 30, 2023

'The invisible work of Black women' spotlighted in podcast

The podcast "Black Women of Amherst College" explores how activism by Black students can make elite institutions of higher learning more inclusive for everyone.

'Louder Than A Riot' season 2 examines the misogyny against Black women embedded in hip-hop culture

Black women and queer people are reaching new heights within hip-hop culture. But those same groups are still dealing with the oppression that hip-hop was built to escape.

Amazon eyeing AMC theaters as movie theater sector looks vulnerable

The movie theater industry continues to reel from falling profits, limited attendance and a losing battle with streaming services.

Without a motive for murder, the media labeled Jacob Wideman a 'bad seed.' But is he? Was Jake Wideman a “bad seed”? The question emerged not long after Jacob Wideman murdered his summer camp roommate, Eric Kane, in 1986 seemingly with no motive.

Several casualties reported after 2 U.S. Army helicopters crash over Kentucky
The helicopters were with the 101st Airborne Division.

What over-the-counter Narcan means for combating opioid overdoses
The greater naloxone drug manufacturing industry has put high prices on life-saving products, targeting people's fear of fentanyl and keeping the prevention drug out of people's hands.

Alexei Navalny lawyer on WSJ reporter arrest: 'Very clear' signal to foreign journalists
Evan Gershkovich was arrested for what Russia's main security agency described as espionage.

Time travel, asteroids, planets and urban legends explored in new '1,000 Facts About Space' book
The beautifully illustrated — aimed at children and middle-schoolers, but just as fascinating for adults — manages to answer questions you've always pondered, and ones you never thought to ask.

MLB starts up on opening day with new rules and a new deal for Minor League players
Major League Baseball is back Thursday, but it will look a bit different. Some big rule changes come into effect, aiming to speed up the flow of the game and...

Leon Russell, the musician's musician: New book takes an in-depth look at his life and career
Jerry Lee Lewis once ceded the piano bench to Russell saying, "he plays a lot better than I do!"

The FDA may soon authorize a spring round of COVID-19 boosters for some people
The agency is planning for an annual COVID booster campaign starting in the fall. But some people who are particularly vulnerable to COVID don't want to wait.

Remembering Katherine Koonce, victim in Nashville school shooting
One of the adult victims was 60-year-old Katherine Koonce, who was the head of the school.

Friday, March 31, 2023

Critically endangered Mexican gray wolf population rebounding — but threats still remain
Republicans in Congress are leading an effort to remove it and other iconic animals from the Endangered Species List.

2 Muslim chefs tell us about the tasty recipes they're using this Ramadan
There's a communal aspect to the celebration of Ramadan, with congregations of prayers and community dinners full of traditional foods special to this month.

President Biden travels to Mississippi after deadly tornado

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The tornado destroyed hundreds of homes and killed 26 people in Mississippi and Alabama last week.

The history and future of Black Studies, according to 1 founder, poet Sonia Sanchez
Sonia Sanchez is one of the most celebrated and honored poets in the country.

What a Trump indictment means for the former president and our politics
Trump's indictment on charges related to a hush money payment scheme and cover-up is the first-ever indictment of a former president.

What 'Succession' final season says about media, power and family
The new season finds patriarch Logan Roy alone at the top of his media empire, with three of his children trying to take him down.

Saying arrivederci to NPR's longest-serving international correspondent, Sylvia Poggioli
NPR's senior European correspondent based in Rome spent 41 years at the network.

Women's March Madness Final Four face off
Three-seed Louisiana State University takes on the favorite Virginia Tech one seeds, which is then followed by a big showdown between two-seed University of Iowa and the top seed defending...

In Rodanthe, North Carolina, more homes are at risk after another home collapses into the ocean
In Rodanthe, North Carolina, a few weeks ago people watched an oceanfront home collapse into the ocean.

Millions could lose Medicaid because of automatic enrollment is ending
The federal government provided a safety net of sorts during the pandemic by making sure people were covered — even if their eligibility had changed.

After this week's deadly fire in Ciudad Juárez, what are conditions like for migrants in the city?
Mexican authorities say so far five people have been arrested in connection to the blaze.

Trump indictment: Asking legal questions
Former President Donald Trump is now the first U.S. president — current or former — to be charged with a crime.

Quarterly Issues/Programs List

"Radio Boston"

(January, February, March 2023)

January 2023

Monday, January 2, 2023

Dancer Ayodele Casel takes us into the world of tap

For a special hour of WBUR's Radio Boston, we bring you highlights from another WBUR CitySpace conversation. This time, professional tap dancer and choreographer Ayodele Casel shares her story of...

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

How local business leaders are thinking about leadership in 2023

We're joined by Corey Thomas, chairman and CEO of Rapid7, Aoife Brennan, president and CEO of Synlogic, and Jen Faigel, executive director of CommonWealth Kitchen.

Wednesday, January 4, 2023

A look at what history can teach us about what to expect in 2023

In this special hour of Radio Boston, we take a look at the question: what does history teach us to expect from this year? We reflect back on 2022, think...

Thursday, January 5, 2023

Special live coverage: Maura Healey's inauguration as Massachusetts' 73rd governor

Radio Boston is hosting live special coverage and analysis of the inauguration of the 73rd governor of Massachusetts. Listen live at 11 a.m. You can also watch the ceremony live...

Friday, January 6, 2023

How Massachusetts breweries get through Dry January

Plus, the rise of the nonalcoholic and low alcoholic beer.

U.S. Rep. Seth Moulton says two years after insurrection, Congress and the country are still divided
Congressman Seth Moulton joined WBUR's Radio Boston to talk about the legacy of the Jan. 6, 2021 insurrection at the U.S. Capitol. Plus: what it means for Congress right now.

Harvard law professor takes on Jan. 6 in a new graphic novel

The series imagines a world in which the rioters were successful.

Monday, January 9, 2023

A look at the gap between the state's minimum wage and what it costs to live in Massachusetts

As of a week ago Sunday, the state's minimum wage is \$15 an hour. That's more than double the federal minimum wage. But is it actually enough to live in...

Local immigrant advocates on changes to federal policy
The changes come as Massachusetts has been stretched thin by an influx of migrants.

Damar Hamlin, the NFL's public relations, and local implications
On Monday night's nationally televised football game, Damar Hamlin went into cardiac arrest on the field.

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

New book looks at the slaveholding past of the Grimke Sisters
We examine the legacy of Sarah and Angelina Grimke through the eyes of their enslaved family members. That legacy is the subject of a new book called "The Grimkes: The..."

Exploring representation on Beacon Hill
The Massachusetts Black and Latino Legislative Caucus reports 25 members this year, up from 17 last year.

Musicians are being evicted from the Sound Museum. We discuss the uncertain future for those displaced
Plus, we discuss ways Massachusetts can be more proactive when it comes to artist displacement.

Lab construction is squeezing Boston's artists out, and we check on the state of diversity in our halls of governance
Plus, author Kerri K. Greenidge joins to discuss the checkered legacy of the Grimke sisters, the famous abolitionists who have a Boston bridge named after them.

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

Eating healthier doesn't mean you have to leave your cultural foods behind
Plus, how food can be used as a tool to combat disease.

January is national mentoring month, but in Boston, there's a shortage of multilingual mentors
We speak with leaders and volunteers of local nonprofits who work with Massachusetts youth.

An Emerson College class asks how to calculate the value of culture
The class explores ways to quantify people's relationship to their environment.

Thursday, January 12, 2023

In this June 15, 2018, file photo, cash is fanned out from a wallet in North Andover, Mass. (Elise Amendola/AP)

How to create a sustainable budget that works for you in 2023
In our latest "Budget Boston" series, we learn the ins and outs of creating a budget that works for you in order to achieve your financial goals in 2023.

What happened with the FAA, and could it happen again?
Boston Globe technology reporter Hiawatha Bray joins us to talk about why so many flights were grounded on Wednesday across the country, and whether something like that could happen again.

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Deborah Torres on family, business and vegan fried chicken from the 'Phenomenal Women' series at WBUR's CitySpace

Torres went viral after turning down a million dollars on Shark Tank...her product? Vegan fried chicken.

Friday, January 13, 2023

A funny thing happened on the way to the Garden: Bruins, Celtics lead leagues

In this week's sports round up, we discuss the league-leading Bruins and Celtics, and we talk about the big questions and much-deserved reckonings facing the Patriots and the Red Sox.

The Huntington Theatre prepares to unveil new play, 'The Art of Burning'
Plus, the impact of women on Boston's theater scene.

Diving beneath the headlines: The latest on the ongoing scandal within the Massachusetts GOP
We dig into reports of potential finance violations and unpaid bills in the Massachusetts GOP, including one from a PI firm hired to examine Maura Healey's romantic life while serving...

Monday, January 16, 2023

A look at Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy and his enduring impact on civil rights

In a special hour of Radio Boston, we take a look at the life and work of Martin Luther King Jr. Often condemned in his time, he's now a celebrated...

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

Local comics on the art of bootstrapping a comedy special

With their own audiences and local connections, comedians are taking the one-hour special into their own hands

What a reparations task force could mean for Boston following council vote

The Boston City Council voted unanimously in December to form a task force to study how it can provide reparations and other forms of atonement to Black Bostonians for the...

Data shows a lack of oversight over MBTA safety issues

We look into oversight and safety concerns at the MBTA with WBUR's Beth Healy and Jim Aloisi, former secretary of transportation for the Commonwealth.

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

A new exhibit argues comics are for everyone

Our series "Comics Culture," dives into the world of comics and the culture around them. Our regular guest, Boston University MFA program in Visual Narrative chair, Joel Christian Gill, joins...

What you need to know about the hanging fish sculpture at the State House

Lost in a fire, then stolen three times, the Sacred Cod is a cherished piece of Massachusetts history.

Learning how to appreciate oysters with local chefs

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In a new series, we explore how to prepare and appreciate oysters with two local chefs.

Thursday, January 19, 2023

Green comets, new planets, and images that have astronomers rethinking the Big Bang

From a green comet on a 50,000-year journey, to images that are causing astronomers to rethink what we think we know about the Big Bang and the beginning of our...

Ayanna Pressley on the debt ceiling, the 118th Congress and rent control

Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley, of the Massachusetts 7th District, joins us to reflect on the best way to lead in the most diverse Congress in history. Plus, what she and others...

How early college programs are helping first-generation students

We talk to a former student of the program, and two administrators working to provide college access to first-generation college students.

Friday, January 20, 2023

Repatriation of ancestral remains is still a struggle for Native American tribes

A new investigation by ProPublica has found that a handful of institutions, including Harvard University, hold thousands of remains of Native American ancestors. We discuss repatriation with the president of...

Diving beneath the headlines on the investigation into Ana Walshe's disappearance

Plus, we discuss what lies ahead for the case.

A breakdown of Healey's housing policy agenda

The new administration plans to continue implementing policies passed under the Baker administration, including the MBTA Communities Law.

Monday, January 23, 2023

Citing 'dire, destructive' housing market, Wu makes her case for rent control in Boston

Speaking on WBUR's Radio Boston, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu made the case for plan to press for modified rent control in Boston. She also answered listener questions about expanding Boston's...

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

From Scratch: Joe Gatto takes on tacos

In this month's Radio Boston edition of From Scratch with Joe Gatto, we tackle tacos, including an in-studio demonstration pressing fresh-made corn tortillas.

Boston doctors answer listener questions about COVID

Plus, how to prevent the spread of the virus during the latest surge.

Massachusetts residents are feeling the crunch as utility prices soar

We explore why costs are up and what energy consumers can do to conserve.

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

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How to prevent foodborne illnesses when cooking at home
Plus, how to get the most out trips to the grocery store and avoid food waste.

A look at the mental health crisis and its impact on Massachusetts' young people
Plus, we learn about a new state program that aims to help young people experiencing mental health crises.

Legislation aims to increase indigenous history taught in Massachusetts schools
Plus, we discuss past measures to include more indigenous history in commonwealth curriculum.

Thursday, January 26, 2023

Mei Mei's Irene Li says 'dumplings make the world go round'
Irene Li, Boston-based chef and co-founder of Mei Mei, joins us to talk about leadership, adaptation, tradition and dumplings following the opening of her new dumpling factory.

The use of search engine queries for investigating crimes
Plus, we look into the responsibility search engines may have to notify police about potentially dangerous searches.

Cambridge fatal police shooting raises questions about law enforcement and mental health
Officials in Cambridge say they're reevaluating protocols.

Friday, January 27, 2023

Boston celebrity chef Tiffani Faison serves up her tips for eating deliciously on a budget
Boston-based celebrity chef Tiffani Faison joins us for our monthly check-in. This month, we talk about eating well without breaking the bank.

Local film experts discuss 'The Departed' at Radio Boston's 1st live screening at Coolidge Corner Theatre

Martin Scorsese has nine nominations for the Academy Award's Best Director, but he has only one win: his 2006 film, "The Departed."

Future interactive exhibit will allow visitors to talk with a hologram of a Holocaust survivor
Holocaust survivor David Schaefer will be memorialized in an interactive exhibit at the future Boston Holocaust Museum, set to open in 2025. In it, anyone will be able to ask...

Monday, January 30, 2023

How MIT's all-women leadership team plans to change science for the better
MIT President Sally Kornbluth took office this month.

A new survey sheds light into civic engagement and political priorities of the Latino community in Massachusetts

Plus, we learn about ways to grow civic engagement with Latinos in the state.

New England Revolution Defender Henry Kessler on his personal journey to the pros

In part one of a two-part conversation, we talk with New England Revolution defender Henry Kessler about his personal journey to becoming a professional athlete.

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

What's at stake with tonight's vote for state Republican party chair

Tonight the state Republican party will elect a new chair. We take a look at what's at stake for the party if current chair Jim Lyons wins or loses his...

Meet Boston's new senior adviser for community safety

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu's new senior advisor for community safety is Isaac Yablo. Yablo, who has also worked at the city's Office of Black Male Advancement, joins us to share...

The ethical considerations and economic opportunities of Mass. sports betting

Plus, two local economists weigh in on the impact of sports gambling.

February 2023

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

State Republicans narrowly oust Jim Lyons as party chair: what it means for the GOP going forward

We review Tuesday night's vote for a new chair for the state Republican party with WBUR's Steve Brown, Boston Herald Columnist Joe Battenfeld, and Jennifer Nassour, former chair of the...

What Boston's COVID-19 archives can tell us about preparing for the next pandemic

Three years ago today, Massachusetts logged its first case of the coronavirus. We reflect back on the last three years of this pandemic with Marta Crilly, an archivist with the...

Tom Brady says he is retiring 'for good' this time

Tom Brady, New England Patriots legend and a seven-time Super Bowl champion, announces that he is retiring after a 23 year career in the NFL. We reflect on the news...

Peter Faneuil and the effort to remove his name from the famous Boston market

Peter Faneuil donated Faneuil Hall to Boston in 1742 and now, about 20 million people pass through the marketplace every year. But in addition to being a merchant and a...

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Bruins and Celtics both win big and TB12 makes it official

The Bruins and the Celtics both delivered blowout wins Wednesday night. Meanwhile, New England sports fans are also processing news this week that Tom Brady is officially retiring...again. We break...

A new sheriff wants to close an aging Bristol County jail

Paul Heroux is taking over after Thomas Hodgson's 25-year tenure as county sheriff.

Continuing our conversation with New England Revolution defender Henry Kessler

In the second part of our conversation with New England Revolution defender Henry Kessler, we talk about how to watch and better appreciate the sport of soccer, what hosting the...

Friday, February 3, 2023

'Come see about us': Taking stock of community grief

Our guests discuss the deaths of Tyre Nichols in Memphis and Tyler Lawrence in Mattapan, and how we can show up for each other as a community in the face...

Monday, February 6, 2023

What makes composer Aaron Copland's 'Appalachian Spring' great

Musician, author, composer and friend of the show Rob Kapilow is back to talk about Aaron Copland's "Appalachian Spring," and what makes it great.

What Woburn's teacher strike tells us about what life is like in K-12 classrooms right now

Students in Woburn are back in classrooms after a week long strike ended yesterday. We talk about what happened with WBUR's Max Larkin, and the head of the Massachusetts Teachers...

New Hampshire faces loss of first-in-the-nation Democratic primary

Advocates for the move say South Carolina will be a more appropriate proving ground for Democratic Presidential candidates.

A look at the rise in anti-LGBTQ protests around Boston

Last month, a neo-Nazi group disrupted a drag queen story hour in Taunton. It was one of a handful of recent events outside of Boston where group members moved their...

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

The need for equity in the Massachusetts startup economy

Only about half of one percent of venture capital in Massachusetts is flowing to Black entrepreneurs.

How to help your kids have a healthier relationship with social media

As part of our ongoing "Be Well" series, we look at the impact social media can have on the mental health and wellbeing of youths and adolescents, both positive and...

Local task force is studying why people are lonely and how to help them feel less isolated

We look at the state of loneliness in Massachusetts and ways to tackle it in residents of all ages with the co-chairs of the The Massachusetts Taskforce to End Loneliness...

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

One step toward solving the state's housing crisis: MBTA community zoning

We look at how the 175 "MBTA communities" around the state are handling the new zoning requirements and other possible solutions to address the lack of housing in Massachusetts.

Gov. Healey says her office is exempt from the state's public records law. What that means for all of us in Mass.

In Massachusetts, the Governor's office claims exemption from the state's public records law. We're one of just two states where this is the case. Governor Maura Healey has pledged greater...

What Boston's former Little Syria neighborhood tells us about immigrant life in the city today
We explore new research that shines light on the once active neighborhood in Boston called Little Syria. The research is part of an exhibit at MIT called "Visualizing Little Syria."

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Are AI chatbots politically biased?

In today's edition of "Tech Talk," our biweekly segment, Boston Globe technology writer Hiawatha Bray explains why some researchers are wondering if AI bots like ChatGPT have political leanings, and...

A hobbled Celtics still pulls out a win against the 76ers

Despite having three of their starting five players out with injuries, the Celtics beat the 76ers at TD Garden on Wednesday, 106-99. We check in on the C's, as well...

How the Chinatown Land Trust aims to keep residents in the Boston neighborhood

We talk with activist Suzanne Lee about the Chinatown Land Trust, which is working to create long-term affordable housing in the Boston neighborhood.

Friday, February 10, 2023

Cannabis equity: open for business in Boston

Years in the making, the seven-story dispensary, Apex Noire, is finally open and operational in downtown Boston.

Is the state's new sports betting program ready for the Super Bowl?

The Super Bowl is truly the Super Bowl of sports betting-- it's perennially the most-bet-on sporting event in the country.

Black-owned craft breweries make up a fraction of the state's breweries

As part of our "Brewed in Mass" series, we continue our conversation on the local beer economy with Black-owned brewers.

Monday, February 13, 2023

Beginning to grapple with the consequences of 'forever chemicals'

Plus, the story of Boston's first and only Black hospital discovered in a South End apartment and a historic matchup in this year's Beanpot men's ice hockey finals.

Boston's college hockey bragging rights tournament: The Beanpot

Harvard and Northeastern meet in the finals for the first time in 70 years of Beanpot play.

The Hidden History of Boston's first and only Black hospital

Dr. Cornelius Garland founded Plymouth Hospital in a brownstone in the South End in 1908.

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

Eversource's controversial East Boston substation

WBUR reporter Miriam Wasser joins to discuss the project and the details of a community benefits agreement.

Local cookbook features recipes and migration stories from Lowell High School students

For the last five years, her immigrant students have compiled their family recipes in a cookbook. This year's edition contains recipes from 21 countries. We speak with the teacher behind...

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

At the ICA, María Berrío's collages explore the immigrant experience across centuries

Berrío uses collage to create scenes that teeter on the brink of reality and imagination. Her new exhibition, "The Children's Crusade," opens Feb. 16 at Boston's Institute of Contemporary Art.

What the governor thinks about transportation, rent control and the Celtics

Gov. Maura Healey joins us to answer our questions and yours on everything from the MBTA to housing to the Massachusetts State Police.

What happens when migrant kids arrive in Massachusetts without family

Thursday, February 16, 2023

The challenge to understand the full complexity of historical figures

We hear Kellie Carter Jackson, associate professor in the Department of Africana Studies at Wellesley College, on how society's tendency to oversimplify complex historical figures undermines our ability to understand...

How Ayanna Pressley's mother influenced the congresswoman's life and work

We bring you a conversation with Massachusetts Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley about what drives her and what brings her joy.

Friday, February 17, 2023

How two local comedians navigate the space where tragedy meets comedy

If your job is to make people laugh, how do you do it during devastating current events? Resident comedians Bethany Van Delft and Ken Reid walk us through the tough...

The relevance of the Civil War in today's conversations about reparations in Massachusetts

Massachusetts ended the practice of slavery in 1783. But as author and historian Jacqueline Jones points out in her new book, "No Right To An Honest Living: The Struggles of..."

A deeper look at the compounding problems for the T

We talk with Boston Herald reporter Gayla Cawley, transit advocate Chris Dempsey and WBUR's "The Common" daily podcast host Darryl C. Murphy about what's wrong with the MBTA, and how...

Monday, February 20, 2023

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Tuesday, February 21, 2023

What body cameras on police would mean for Cambridge
The planned move comes after a fatal police shooting last month.

A look at first-hand experiences of Black students throughout history, and what that teaches us about classroom learning today
In his new memoir *School Clothes*, local author and professor Jarvis Givens collects these memories of going to school from Black children in America, past and present. Through them, he...

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

The Celtics return from the All Star break on Thursday
With the Celtics preparing to return from the All Star break on Thursday, we break down the team's decision to remove "interim" from head coach Joe Mazzulla's title. Plus, we...

AG Campbell pledges to create new anti-gun violence unit
Massachusetts Attorney General Andrea Campbell said the unit reflects a broader effort by her office to preserve the state's existing gun control laws, including its ban on assault weapons.

With smaller colleges facing headwinds, Roxbury Community College turns 50
We talk with Interim President Jackie Jenkins-Scott.

Thursday, February 23, 2023

Highlighting Black superheroes and creators
Joel Christian Gill is back for another edition of our segment "Comics Culture." This month, we talk about Black heroes and creators. We're also joined by author and graphic novelist...

How the Supreme Court could change the internet as we know it, and more on those balloons
Boston Globe technology writer Hiawatha Bray joins to discuss Supreme Court cases that could dramatically reshape the Internet, and the mystery around the big balloons in the sky.

New research sheds light on Black and indigenous parishioners at Boston's Old North Church
New research shows the experiences of Black and indigenous parishioners at Boston's Old North Church. Those experiences and stories are now part of an online video series called "Illuminating the..."

Friday, February 24, 2023

Congressman Auchincloss reflects on a year since Russia invaded Ukraine
Massachusetts Congressman Jake Auchincloss and local Ukrainian opera singer Olga Lisovska join us to reflect on the anniversary of Russian's invasion of Ukraine.

How one Ukrainian student who fled the war for the U.S. is coping
Brandeis University graduate student Sofii Tarasiuk, who fled to the U.S. from Ukraine five months ago to complete her education, joins us to talk about her life and the ongoing...

How these workers help displaced Ukrainians feel at home in Massachusetts

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Three people working to help Ukrainians resettle in Massachusetts join the show.

Monday, February 27, 2023

Mayor Michelle Wu joins Radio Boston to talk rent control, the state of schools, transit and more
Today, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu joins us for the entire hour.

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

From Scratch: Joe Gatto does dumplings

Joe Gatto, chef, culinary instructor and host of "From Scratch" on Pluto TV is back to make some more delicious food right in Studio 2! This month, we're making dumplings.

After a coaching upheaval, what's next for the Celtics?

ESPN's Howard Bryant joins us to talk about the state of the Celtics coaching.

New Massachusetts GOP chair Amy Carnevale looks to rebuild the party from the ground up

Just one month on the job, newly elected MassGOP Chair Amy Carnevale said she's encouraged by the future, but is still sorting out the financial predicaments of the party.

March 2023

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

How newsletters can provide the news and stories you need, no matter what's happening in your day

We take a look at how newsletters can deliver news and stories differently with Meagan McGinnes, assistant managing editor for newsletters, and Nik DeCosta-Klipa, newsletter editor, both with WBUR.

A new book chronicles the fight for gender equity at MIT in the 1990s

Breaking down Gov. Healey's tax reform proposal

Governor Maura Healey unveiled a \$742 million tax reform proposal this week. We'll discuss the plan and what it means for residents with Evan Horowitz, executive director at the Center...

Thursday, March 2, 2023

Celtics get back on track, and the Bruins keep rolling

The Celtics get back on track, the Bruins keep rolling, and some big changes are coming to baseball.

We'll dig into it all with WMUR sports reporter Jonathan Marshall and...

Can rent control help fix Boston's housing problems?

Housing costs in the city are high, and supply is scarce.

The new chair of the Massachusetts Health and Hospital Association talks challenges and opportunities

Christine Schuster is the new chair of the MHA, and president and CEO of Emerson Health.

Friday, March 3, 2023

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It's Mass Beer Week and two local women-owned breweries take part
Twisted Fate and Redemption Rock Brewing Co.'s join to talk suds and community.

Chef Tiffani Faison on women who have inspired her in the kitchen, and beyond
Boston celebrity chef Tiffani Faison joins us for our monthly conversation. This time, we're talking
about powerful women in her life, in the culinary world and beyond.

Seeking solutions to food insecurity, as federal food benefits end
Congressman Jim McGovern (D MA-2) joins us to discuss federal solutions to food insecurity.

Monday, March 6, 2023

What the fight over a Worcester charter school could mean for Massachusetts
Plus, the forgotten history of Cambridge's Confectioner's Row, and a conversation with a player on the
undefeated New England Revolution.

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

Exploring race and spirituality in a Harvard Divinity School course
Plus, a conversation about the future of Faneuil Hall.

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Explaining a recent spate of wildlife deaths, and how to address the issue
Plus, we head to the courts to play some pickleball.

Thursday, March 9, 2023

Boston's new director of tourism, sports and entertainment on what the city needs now
John Borders IV joins to answer audience questions, and to talk about his hopes for the new role.

New State Auditor Diana DiZoglio wants a review of the legislature
But does she have the authroity?

Digital copyrights in the age of e-readers
Plus, we follow up on the Massachusetts' "right to repair" vehicle law.

Friday, March 10, 2023

COVID-19 in Massachusetts, three years in
What have we learned?

Bridging the gap between art and mental health through graphic medicine
Suzy Becker is a local author, illustrator and cartoonist for The New Yorker, and she stumbled upon a
new genre: graphic medicine

Monday, March 13, 2023

Northeastern's Women's Hockey makes the Frozen Four once again
For the third time in three years, the Huskies are headed to the semifinals.

The Celtics and Bruins are rocketing towards the playoffs
But both teams have faced some adversity of late.

The new owners of the Bay State Banner look to the future
Ronald Mitchell, publisher and editor and André Stark, chief operating officer and production manager
join us.

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

Local author's new book set in Greater Boston

We discuss Landay's new book, "All That I Own I Carry with Me," which came out on March 7th.

What we lose when MBTA trains run slow

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

Inspiration and representation at the Boston Symphony Orchestra

Boston Symphony Orchestra conductor Thomas Wilkins and singer Barbara Walker discuss their work
with the historic ensemble.

Mass. State Auditor Diana DiZoglio on auditing Beacon Hill lawmakers

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Friday, March 17, 2023

Local makers of 'Boston Strangler' film talk about the journalists who made the name famous

As Hulu's "The Boston Strangler" makes its debut, we speak with local writer and director Matt Ruskin
and actor Chris Cooper about their film.

Black women leaders in higher education on serving a broad range of students in the commonwealth

We speak with Rev. Debora Jackson of Worcester Polytechnical Institute, Lynn Perry Wooten of Simmons College, and Jackie Jenkins-Scott, of Roxbury Community College

Monday, March 20, 2023

Massachusetts' new education secretary on his wide-ranging role
Plus, with so many venues closing, we check in on the state of live music in the commonwealth.

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

From The Newsroom: The fight over involuntary outpatient mental health treatment

The 'Experience America' tour is bringing dozens of foreign ambassadors to Boston
United States Ambassador and Chief of Protocol Rufus Gifford joins us ahead of the tour to talk about what to expect.

A Gloucester native takes the stage in the touring production of 'Into the Woods'
Katy Geraghty plays Little Red.

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Mass. Gov. Maura Healey talks about the T, her budget, and sports
Massachusetts Governor Maura Healey joins us for her monthly checking. We dig into everything from the MBTA, to her budget, to her predictions for March Madness.

A new docuseries on the Libertarians moving to New Hampshire
The final episode of "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of New Hampshire" just aired. We speak with the creators about the movement.

Thursday, March 23, 2023

Malcolm X's life and legacy in Roxbury, and what that means for Boston
We learn about Malcolm X's history and life in Roxbury, and why that legacy isn't more widely known.

Remembering renowned saxophonist Wayne Shorter with two Boston jazz legends
We remember jazz legend Wayne Shorter with Danilo Perez, founder and artistic director of the Global Jazz Institute at Berklee, and a member of the Wayne Shorter Quartet. And...

Artificial intelligence makes another leap, now into services for the visually impaired

Friday, March 24, 2023

Honoring indigenous communities in Gloucester and the North Shore

Sen. Elizabeth Warren on the needs for the economy and the U.S. banking system
Plus, Senator Warren discusses how to keep Massachusetts competitive for federal funds.

Getting to know Massachusetts Congresswoman Lori Trahan

Congresswoman Trahan joins for a wide-ranging conversation on her life, her work and the things that inspire her political efforts.

Monday, March 27, 2023

Mayor Michelle Wu on the MBTA, police and education in Boston

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu joins us for our monthly conversation. Today, we'll discuss a range of topics, including education, transportation and policing in Boston.

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

New phone recordings deepen the mystery surrounding Aaron Hernandez's suicide
WBUR reporters Todd Wallack and Beth Healy unearthed the tapes.

As spring weather flirts with Boston, let's talk about your garden
Our gardening expert Patrick Parent joins to answer your questions.

I'm a crepe, I'm a weird-dough: Making crepes with Chef Joe Gatto

Chef Joe Gatto joins us for our regular cooking conversation. This month, we're making crepes. Gatto is a private chef, culinary instructor, and host of the cooking show "From Scratch"...

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

How educators hope a new form will improve special education in Mass.

Remembering Mel King, and his legacy in Boston

We remember prominent Boston civil rights activist and politician Mel King with Tanisha Sullivan, president of the Boston chapter of the NAACP.

A girl and her loom: the feminist re-telling of Arachne the weaver

Author Rebecca Caprara joins us to talk about her new book SPIN, which re-tells the classic myth of Arachne the weaver through a new lens, and for younger audiences.

Thursday, March 30, 2023

Can you afford to retire in Massachusetts?

Exploring female comic characters and how they've changed over the decades

Heroes are everywhere. But in comics, they're usually buff guys that race faster than a speeding something. So what about female heroes? We talk about female super heroes, characters, and...

An uncertain Red Sox season begins

We talk with Boston Globe sportswriter Alex Speier.

Friday, March 31, 2023

Two Boston comedians weigh in on the news of the week

Our two resident comedians get funny with the latest headlines.

Dear Phillip Eng? What do you want the new head of the MBTA to know?

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We speak directly to the new General Manager of the T.