



## ELECTIONS

### **Meet the Democrats seen as up-and-comers for 2028 — or maybe sooner**

President Biden says he's staying in the 2024 race. But if he were to change his mind, here are some of the Democrats viewed as potential candidates, whether it's this year or in 2028.

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## **Hurricane Beryl makes landfall in Mexico, with its sights set on Texas next**

Hurricane Beryl made landfall near Tulum as a Category 2 storm early Friday, following a destructive streak through the Caribbean. It's forecast to gain strength as it moves over the Gulf of Mexico.

## MY UNSUNG HERO

**In a moment of stage fright, the most unlikely person helped her to shine**

## THE NPR NEWS QUIZ

**She ate HOW many hot dogs? He wore WHAT on his head? Find out in the quiz**

In other news: ants, robots, saints and socks.

## SPORTS

**The Justice Department opens a criminal probe of the Chinese Olympic doping scandal**

One focus of the probe appears to be on the World Anti-Doping Agency, which reviewed repeated positive drug tests by elite Chinese swimmers.

## YEAR OF GLOBAL ELECTIONS

**With suggestive poses and pets, 'wacky' election campaigning tests Tokyo's patience**

This year's wackiness — notably from non-candidates renting campaign billboard space — is proving exceptional, and residents have flooded election offices with angry calls and messages.

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## Wu-Tang Clan: Tiny Desk Concert

Happy 55th birthday to the RZA! In 2018, his legendary rap group sped through a medley of classics. "Wu-Tang is for the kids!" RZA proclaimed.

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### **In the deep-red Tennessee legislature, a moderate Republican wonders how much he can do**

State Sen. Richard Briggs has been in office for about a decade. He's a doctor and an army veteran. And recently, he's found he's a minority in the state's Republican supermajority.

## CULTURE

### **Take a sneak peek into a legendary songwriter's creative process**

The Library of Congress has acquired the papers of Leslie Bricusse, the songwriter who gave us "Pure Imagination," "What Kind of Fool Am I?," "Goldfinger" and "Talk to the Animals."

## YEAR OF GLOBAL ELECTIONS

### **Iran holds a runoff presidential vote pitting a hard-liner against a reformist**

An initial round of voting June 28 saw no candidate get over 50% of the vote, forcing the runoff. The candidates are running to replace the late president, who was killed in a helicopter crash.

## BUSINESS

### **Federal judge partially blocks U.S. ban on noncompetes**

A federal judge in Texas has partially blocked the government's ban on noncompetes. An estimated 30 million U.S. workers are subject to the employment agreements.

## NATIONAL

### **Most evacuation orders are lifted, but a Northern California wildfire is still burning**

The "vast majority" of the 17,000 people under orders or warnings because of the Thompson fire north of Sacramento were able to go home. But an intensely hot weekend could make things worse.

## NATIONAL

### **As heat waves intensify, more public housing residents may get help with AC bills**

For decades, public housing providers could subsidize heating bills but not air-conditioning. New Biden administration guidance changes that, but critics say it doesn't go far enough.

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## BUSINESS

### **Luxury department store Saks buys Neiman Marcus, and Amazon gets a stake**

The two high-end department stores hope together they would wield more power to counter luxury brands, which increasingly flex their muscles over retailers.

## GOATS AND SODA

### **A new way to prevent HIV delivers dramatic results in trial**

The testing of lenacapavir was halted because results were so impressive — 100% effectiveness. The decision was made to give all participants the injection rather than the alternative daily pill.

## ELECTIONS

### **After controversial court rulings, a Voting Rights Act lawsuit takes an unusual turn**

Civil rights groups decided not to ask the Supreme Court to review a court ruling that could help end a key way of enforcing the Voting Rights Act, raising questions about the landmark law's future.

## SHOTS - HEALTH NEWS

### **Medicare explores a new way to support caregivers of dementia patients**

#### TRADEOFFS

The government is launching an experimental program to ease the burden on caregivers of people with Alzheimer's. The idea is to keep patients healthier without exhausting their families.

## NATIONAL

### **Removing the highway is the easy part. Reconnecting the community is harder**

In Detroit, a one-mile freeway is slated for removal, where a Black neighborhood once stood. It's part of an effort to reimagine divisive infrastructure — but the plan itself has been contentious.

## OPINION

## GOATS AND SODA

### **His first Independence Day in the U.S. blew his mind. It wasn't just the fireworks**

"Who could have colonized a great country like America?" That's what this Ghanaian thought when his American wife told him it was Independence Day.

## ENVIRONMENT *Don Ryan/AP*

### **To save spotted owls, officials plan to kill a half-million of another owl species**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service strategy is meant to prop up declining spotted owl populations in Oregon, Washington and California by killing barred owls that have encroached into their territory.

### **For one Texas summer camp, public transit is part of the adventure**

A kid's camp in Austin uses buses to take campers on field trips around the city. The goal: getting kids to have fun on public transit so they'll grow up using it.

## CULTURE

### **Hail Caesar salad! Born 100 years ago in Tijuana**

The Caesar salad was invented at a hotel in Tijuana, Mexico, on July 4, 1924, to feed hungry American tourists. We've been enjoying it in various incarnations ever since.

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## NATIONAL

### **Miki Sudo sets record for hot dog eating and Patrick Bertoletti wins men's contest**

The previous men's champ, Joey "Jaws" Chestnut, didn't attend the competition this year over a sponsorship tiff.

## SUMMER ROAD TRIPS

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### **Hikes, history made fun and unofficial hot dog tours around Massachusetts**

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As New England's most populous state, Massachusetts has so much on tap to entertain locals and visitors alike: vibrant history, lively city adventures, beautiful hiking, delicious food, academia galore and quite a bit of idyllic rural charm.

### **Kansas City has more food halls than ever. Here's a guide to these restaurant havens**

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### **Five Bay Area summer road trip adventures**

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