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With Europe on the line, polarized French voters choose today between Macron and Le Pen

Centrist former economy minister Emmanuel Macron has the lead in polls over the anti-E.U. firebrand Marine Le Pen, but in a campaign studded with surprises, voters are braced for the possibility of one more. Turnout is expected to top 75 percent as the nation its next president.

By Griff Witte and Isaac Stanley-Becker

France faces a choice that mirrors the West's new divide

Trump-McConnell alliance gets biggest test yet with health care

At stake is the long-term future of the health-care system and the near-term future of the GOP-controlled government. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, a political insider, and President Trump, the ultimate outsider, will need to balance each other to score a big legislative win.

By Sean Sullivan, Abby Phillip and Paul Kane

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Democrats' biggest foes for 2018 may be time and themselves

Democrats say Republicans will "pay a price" in the midterm elections for the health-care bill, but their internal divisions may stand in the way of a strong campaign.

By Paul Kane



Michael Wilkerson has no running water in the room that he rents, so he uses jugged water to brush his teeth. (Jahi Chikwendiu/Post)

'I'm not asking for anything more than I need': D.C. forfeited \$15.8 million as its poorest residents waited for homes

The city's Department of Housing and Community Development was forced to return millions in the past three years after repeatedly missing key spending deadlines meant to ensure that federal housing money is properly managed. Those funds could have provided a year's worth of rent vouchers to about 1,000 of the neediest families.

By Debbie Cenziper, Sarah Bowman, Lillianna Byington and Robin Eberhardt

'We seek joy': Rid of ISIS, Mosul residents return to smoke-filled billiard halls

With the militants now expelled from the city's east, more than a dozen pool halls have reopened as residents try to bring back a sense of normalcy to their lives. New clubs have also sprung up, betting that residents will indulge in some of the pleasures that were banned by the militants.

By Loveday Morris



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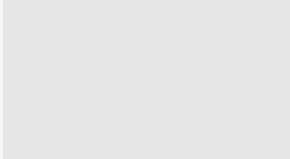
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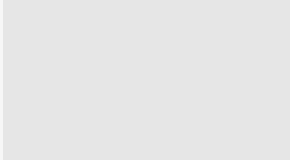
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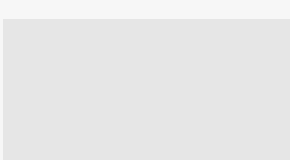


SNL mocks 'Morning Joe' and takes a call from Trump's 'publicist'

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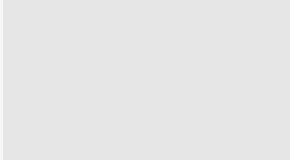
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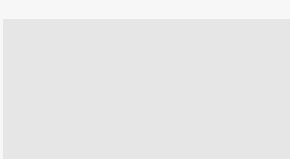
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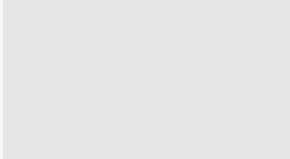
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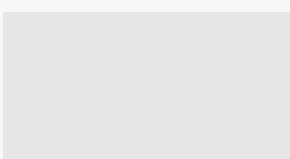


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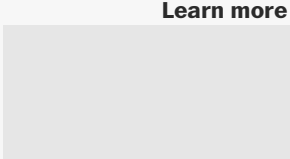
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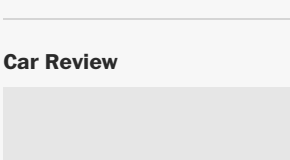
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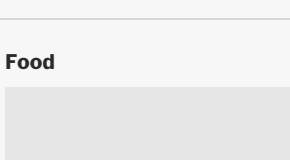


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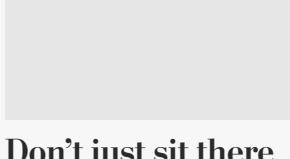


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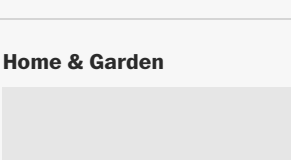


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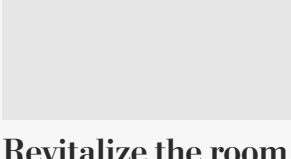


Don't just sit there — simmer productively

Put on a big pot of something savory that will satisfy you through the week.



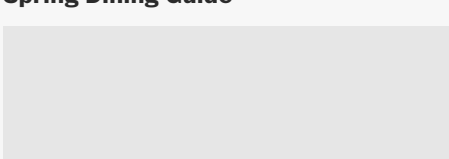
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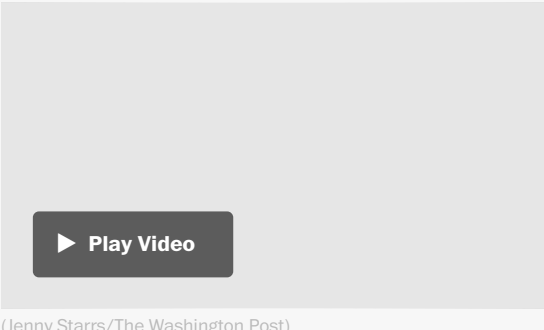
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The highs, the lows and the in-betweens of D.C. restaurants

Every spring, The Post dining critic returns to a clutch of dining rooms to bring you up to speed on places that have been around for a while. And he ranks his top 10 newcomers from the past year.

By Tom Sietsema

Video



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What happens to the health-care bill in the Senate?

'Enjoy the health-care win, Republicans. It's the last one you'll have in a while.'

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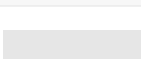
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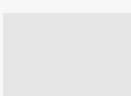


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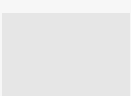


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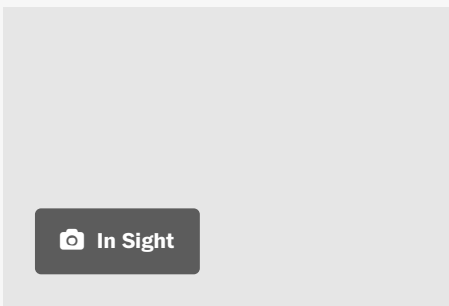




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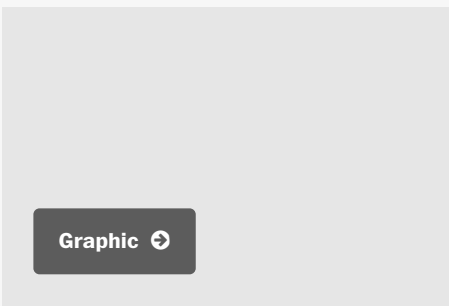
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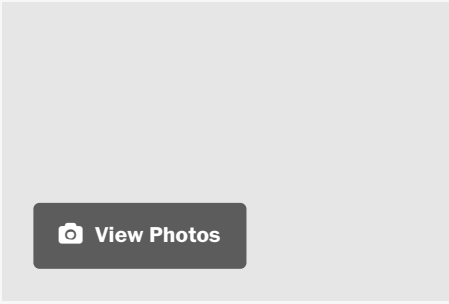
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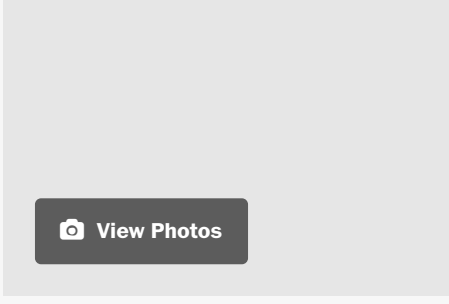
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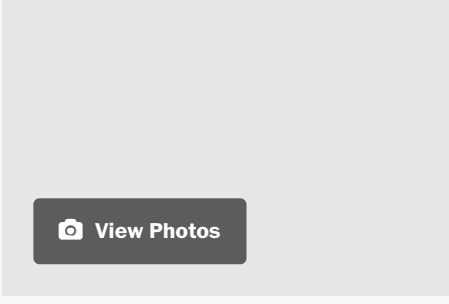
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