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Fragile Trump-McConnell alliance faces its 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 consummate political insider, and President Trump, the ultimate outsider, will need to balance each other to score a major legislative victory.

By Sean Sullivan, Abby Phillip and Paul Kane

@PKCapitol Analysis

Democrats’ two biggest opponents ahead of 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



‘Nobody dies because they don’t have access to health care,’ a GOP lawmaker said. The boos drowned him out.

In a Beijing ballroom, Kushner’s sister flogs a \$500,000 ‘investor visa’ to the wealthy Chinese

Chinese citizens were urged to invest in a New Jersey real estate project for a chance to immigrate to the United States. But President Trump’s vow to crack down on immigration, as well as criticism from members of Congress, has led to questions about the future of a program known in China as the “golden visa.”

By Emily Rauhala and William Wan



Mohammed Fathi and other locals play pool at Captain, a popular club in Mosul, where billiards clubs have reopened. (Alex Potter for The Post)

‘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

French Election

Voters face a choice that mirrors the West’s new divide

In the final polling before Sunday’s presidential election, independent centrist Emmanuel Macron held an overwhelming advantage of around 25 points over far-right challenger Marine Le Pen. A loss for Le Pen, however, will hardly be a knockout blow for populism.



By Griff Witte

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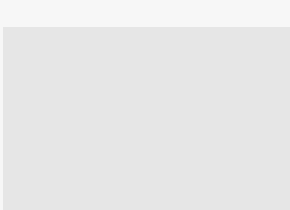
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These recent elections show that polling isn’t, and never was, broken

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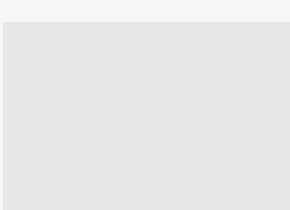
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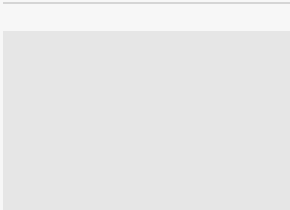


Race favorite Always Dreaming pulls away on a soggy track to win 143rd Kentucky Derby

Ridden by jockey John Velazquez, Always Dreaming held off Lookin at Lee and Battle of Midway down the stretch to claim the first leg of the Triple Crown. He was the fifth consecutive favorite to win a race that once scorned favorites.

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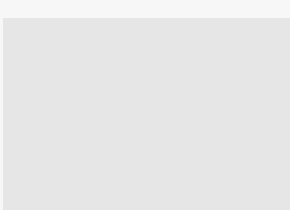
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‘Spend Your Free Time In A Red State’: A motorcade of protesters rolls by Trump’s N.J. property

Trump is expected to be at his golf club in Bedminster a lot this summer. So are protesters, who pledging to hold a “people’s motorcade” every Saturday, whether Trump is in town or not.

By John Wagner

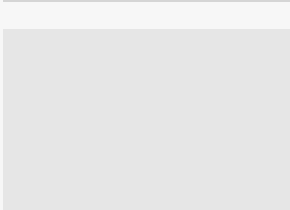


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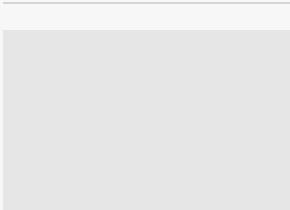
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Trump questions whether key funding source for historically black colleges is constitutional

It is the latest move in what some call a “mixed record” by the Trump administration toward historically black colleges and universities.

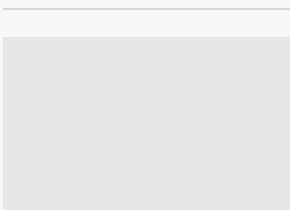
By Cleve R. Wootson Jr. and Susan Svrluga



‘The Battle of New Orleans’: David Duke expects Confederate statue defenders to mass on Sunday

As the city tries to tear the monuments down, pleas for “reinforcements” go out across the country from the statues’ defenders and detractors.

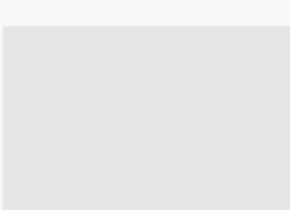
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‘I hate this option’: Wrestlers grapple with the notion of replacing singlets

High-school wrestlers can choose to wear a shirt-and-shorts combo, starting next season. But many observers see no reason to switch from the traditional, tight-fitting singlet.

By Marissa Payne

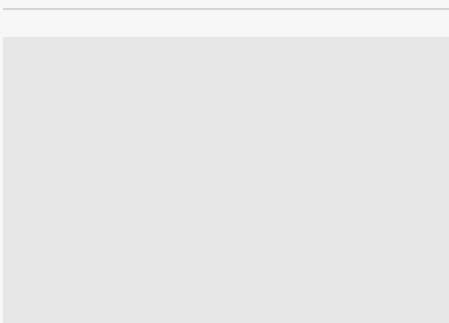


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I tried to eat with the McDonald’s fork. It was actually kind of fun.

The fry-tensil is a gimmick, it’s silly, and it may lead to the most fun you’ve had at McDonald’s since you were a kid.

By Tim Carman



Critic’s Notebook

The 35 movies everyone will be talking about this summer

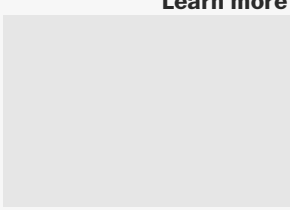
In a season when movie theaters traditionally turn into playgrounds overrun by testosterone and phallocentric humor — even more so than usual, that is — the summer of 2017 is decidedly and refreshingly she-focused.

By Michael O’Sullivan

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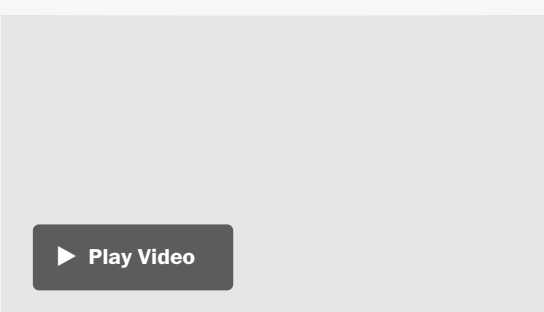


News quiz: Food for thought and big interviews

We have 10 fresh questions. The faster you correctly answer, the more points you can score.

By Tiffany Harness

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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In February 2016, presidential candidate Donald Trump promised \$6 million in donations, including \$1 million from his own pocket, to charities along his campaign trail. Months later, he had donated far less than he pledged. Post reporter David A. Fahrenthold went in search of the missing money and found a bigger story than he ever expected.

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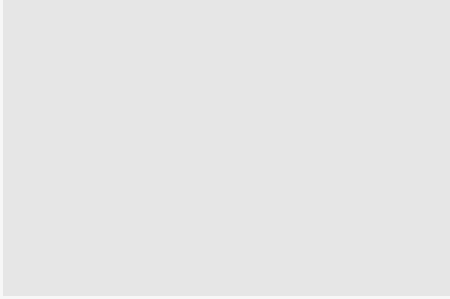
What to know about ‘sound baths’

This ancient wellness practice uses Tibetan singing bowls to encourage meditation and relaxation.

‘They had no room for pumping’

Women who nursed their babies share their stories of going to work. It’s not pretty.

Spring Dining Guide



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

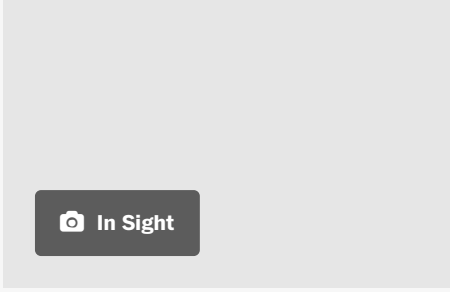
Every spring, The Post dining critic returns to a clutch of dining rooms to bring you up to speed on places that have been around for a while. And he ranks his top 10 newcomers from the past year.

By Tom Sietsema

- **Top 10: The best of the best**

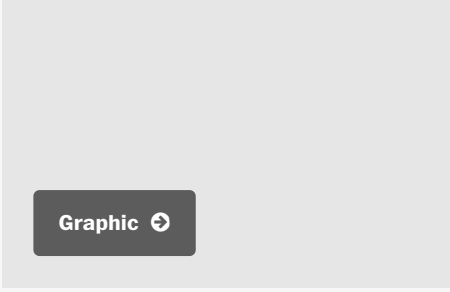
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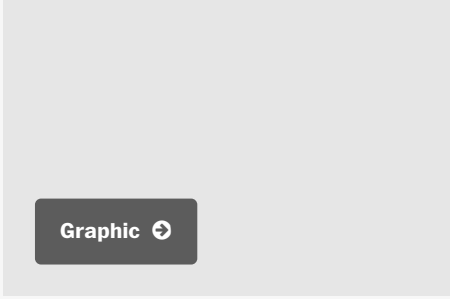
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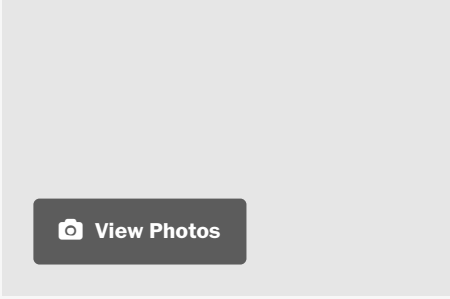
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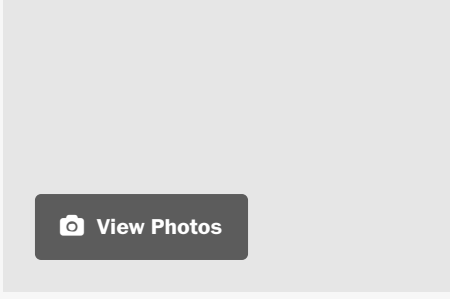
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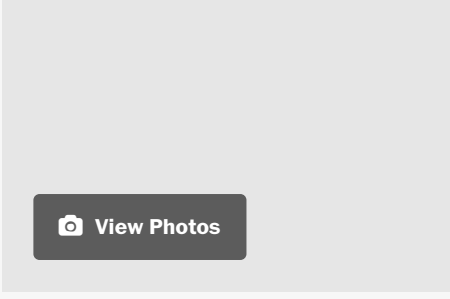
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He says he went to Syria to rescue his wife from ISIS. Now he sits in prison.

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‘Heart-wrenching and incomprehensible’: 18 fraternity members charged in Penn State hazing death

The steady decline of America’s death rows

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‘Discipline was really necessary’: Why the NBA’s top cop suspended Kelly Oubre Jr.

You had hope, Caps fans? Down a goal to Penguins entering third, never a doubt.

Maryland men’s lacrosse repeats as Big Ten champs with win over Ohio State

‘Flower’ is left out to dry: Caps finally solve Marc-Andre Fleury

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ABC is reportedly close to deal to bring back ‘American Idol’

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Rupert Murdoch introduced ‘my friend Donald J. Trump.’ Their friendship is kind of rocky.

What is one thing you wish you knew before graduating from college?

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Carolyn Hax: The grandma who claps to get what she wants — yeah, her again.

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