

Trump Administration Vows 'Biggest Tax Cut' In History

The White House is issuing tax-plan guidelines today. It's not likely to get taken up soon, but Trump's Treasury secretary is pledging to move quickly and to achieve 3 percent growth.



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Some Tax-Cut Backers Urge Trump To Drop Full Overhaul, Go For Quick Win

Recordings Reveal Baby Humpback Whales 'Whisper' To Their Mothers

Scientists recently tracked eight baby whales using special sound and movement recorders. The sounds the babies made turned out to be far different from the noisy songs of adult male humpbacks.

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Portugal Basks In Post-Bailout Economic Revival

Portugal's economy has rebounded dramatically since its European Union bailout in 2011. Wages are up and unemployment down. What's surprising is that this happened only as austerity was canceled.

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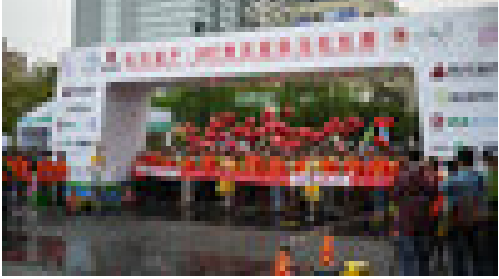


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In Fast-Paced China, Marathon Craze Is Off And Running (Despite A Clumsy Start)

Six years ago, China held 22 marathons; this year, more than 400 are scheduled. But it's long-distance running with Chinese characteristics, and some twists including cigarettes and fruity soap.

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Energy Star Program For Homes And Appliances Is On Trump's Chopping Block

Appliance makers and home builders are in Washington, D.C., to calibrate the energy efficiency program. Energy Star is among 50 EPA programs that would be eliminated under the president's budget plan.



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China Celebrates Launch Of 'Homemade' Aircraft Carrier

The not-yet-named carrier is the second in China's arsenal. It took less than four years to build.



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Trump To Sign Executive Order That Could Shrink National Monuments

The Interior Secretary says, under the policy, his department will review protective designations since 1996 of 100,000 acres or more, particularly their size.

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Cassini Spacecraft Starts Weaving Between Saturn And Its Rings

"Sheds light" the Cassini craft's Twitter feed announced Wednesday. If all goes well, new images of the ringed planet will reach Earth early Thursday.



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Now You Can Own JFK's Personal Reflections On History, For A Hefty Price

As a young journalist seven decades ago, John F. Kennedy witnessed a bombed-out Berlin and Adolf Hitler's bunker. Bidding on his diary starts Wednesday and is expected to top \$300,000 Wednesday.



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Federal Court In San Francisco Blocks Trump's Threat Against Sanctuary Cities

The president's immigration policies have been dealt another setback as the ruling stops the administration from penalizing sanctuary cities while a lawsuit winds through the courts.



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Mexicans No Longer Make Up Majority Of Immigrants In U.S. Illegally



John Leguizamo, Still In Search Of John Leguizamo

As a performer, Leguizamo has mined his Latino identity through his own family and old New York neighborhoods for decades. Now a father, he struggles with what he knows and what he can teach his children about being Latino in the U.S.

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How A Wild Berry Is Helping To Protect China's Giant Pandas And Its Countryside

Long before it became a "superfood" in the U.S., schizandra was made into soups and jams and prized as a medicinal plant. Now the berry is at the center of a dramatic new approach to conservation.



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Binge Drinkers Beware: Study Finds Link Between Alcohol And Heart Arrhythmias

Researchers tested more than 3,000 people at Munich's Oktoberfest beer festival. They found getting drunk was associated with abnormal heart rhythms.



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Hulu's 'The Handmaid's Tale' Is Compelling — And Chilling

The adaptation of Margaret Atwood's dystopian 1985 novel is a horror show revealed in slow motion — and the true horror of its brutal, patriarchal future (dystopia) is how possible it seems today.

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Lawmakers Say It Appears Michael Flynn Acted Illegally In Taking Russian Payments

The heads of the House Oversight Committee described "troubling" classified documents about former national security adviser Michael Flynn, and said the White House is refusing to release some data.



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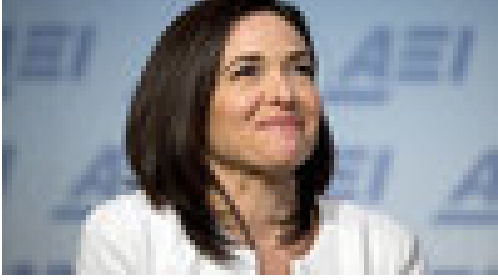
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'Just Show Up': Sheryl Sandberg On How To Help Someone Who's Grieving

The Facebook executive lost her husband in 2015. She says, "Rather than offer to do something, it's often better to do anything. And do something specific." Her new book is called *Option B*.

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Wearing A Hijab, A Young Muslim Boxer Enters The Ring

After three years of training and a battle with USA Boxing over its uniform policy, Amalysa Zafar will fight in her first competitive bout on Saturday. She says she fell in love with the sport at 13.



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