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Subject: POLITICO Playbook, presented by CampaignHQ – BUNDLERS TORN BETWEEN JEB, MITT -- 'NEW ERA OF TERRORISM' -- WHITE HOUSE WARNS: 'cycle of radicalization' -- WALTER MEARS IS 80 -- REX RYAN to Bills – B'DAYS: Ben Finkenbinder, Mark Halperin, Steven Law
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STATE OF THE ART - "How campaigns are courting 16-year-olds: Parents ask if kids are mature enough to handle the hard sell," by Darren Samuelsohn: "Coming soon to a battleground state near you: White House campaigns combining census reports with Instagram and Twitter posts to target teenagers who aren't yet 18 but will be by Election Day 2016. ... [B]oth Democrats and Republicans ... say they'll be ... scouring local high school directories from Iowa to Florida, matching data from public voter rolls with parents' voting histories and picking through whatever scant bits of consumer information are also available."

<http://politi.co/1w8EdTh>

BREAKING - Josh Earnest statement this a.m.: "On February 18, ... the White House will host a Summit on Countering Violent Extremism to highlight ... efforts to prevent violent extremists ... from radicalizing, recruiting, or inspiring individuals or groups in the United States and abroad, ... efforts made even more imperative in light of ... attacks in Ottawa, Sydney, and Paris. ... [P]articipants will build on ... efforts to better understand, identify, and prevent the cycle of radicalization."

--**"White House seeks cyber bounce from Sony hack concerns," by Tal Kopan:** "The White House is preparing a policy package of executive actions and proposed legislation to promote cyberthreat information sharing - taking advantage of public worries following the Sony hack ... Monday, [Obama] will visit the FTC ... [to announce] the next steps in his BuySecure Initiative. ... Tuesday, the president will visit the [DHS] National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center ... Thursday, Vice President Biden will travel to Norfolk, Va., announcing funding to promote the growth of the cybersecurity workforce."

<http://politi.co/1yQIoKp>

PULLING BACK THE CAMERA - L.A. Times A1, "FRANCE'S FEAR: Was the attack ... the first stage of a long campaign?" by Patrick J. McDonnell in Paris and Brian Bennett in D.C.: "[M]ore than 1,000 French citizens are believed to have traveled to fight alongside Islamist rebels in Syria and Iraq, ... leaving French intelligence services with an inordinately large number of people to track. ... [T]he U.S., which has a much larger budget for its intelligence, ... believes that about 100 Americans have traveled or attempted to travel to join the civil wars." <http://lat.ms/1yTZNIJ>

--**N.Y. Times 2-col. lead, "In New Era of Terrorism, Voice From Yemen Echoes As France Declares 'War'" ... WashPost lead headline, "FRANCE IS 'AT WAR':** Prime minister targets radical Islam as authorities prepare for nationwide rallies in support of attack victims; partner of alleged killer may have fled to Syria," by Michael Birnbaum in Paris

<http://wapo.st/14J1WmW>

GOP 2016 - "Bush and Romney: Ready to rumble? They're on a potential 2016 collision course. Some say it's about the past vs. the future," by Maggie Haberman, Tarini Parti and Ben White: "Romney has told many people privately that he believes Bush, as the brother of an unpopular former president, will have trouble winning the presidency. Bush ... has made it clear publicly that he believes Romney ran a poor campaign .. They will find themselves competing for pledges from the same donors, not to mention the same pool of aides and operatives, and the same types of voters ...

"[The GOP primary's] establishment lane would shift dramatically if both Bush and Romney were ... in ... [Would hurt] Christie and Ohio Gov. John Kasich ... 'There are enough senior bundlers capable of putting together ... millions for both Bush and Romney but not for anyone else in the establishment group,' one bundler told POLITICO. 'Romney has plenty in his network who will sign on again. Bush is putting the whole family network back together along with new people.'" <http://politi.co/1BVwpc8>

--WashPost A1, top of col. 1, "Jeb Bush, Romney begin to maneuver: Histories of ambition fuel a potential collision in 2016," by Phil Rucker and Robert Costa: "As Bush, 61, and Romney, 67, explore presidential campaigns in 2016, they are like boxers warming up for what could become a brutal bout, sizing each other up and mulling whether or when to step into the ring. Their early maneuvering reveals a level of competitiveness and snippiness that stems from a long history following similar career paths in business and politics." <http://wapo.st/1tXrhFM>

--Iowa GOP release: "In a ...16-0 vote, the Republican Party of Iowa's Central Committee [yesterday] agreed to ... a straw poll ... at its traditional August fundraiser."

MONEY CHASE -- "Running or not, Reid ramps up fundraising," by Anna Palmer and John Bresnahan: "Harry Reid is turning on his fundraising machine as he prepares to run - possibly - for a sixth term in the Senate. ... Former Reid aide Kai Anderson, co-chairman of the lobbying firm Cassidy & Associates, is kicking off the blitz with a January reelection event. ... Crossroads Strategies' Jake Perry ... and his Democratic colleague Anne Brady are hosting a Feb. 5 event.

"**Former Reid staffer** Jimmy Ryan and his lobbying partner Steve Elmendorf ... host a 'Friends for Harry' event on Feb. 26. Pat Bousliman, Kristi Kennedy and Barry LaSala are also listed as co-hosts of the fundraiser. Democratic fundraising heavyweight Tony Podesta is lending his name to a [February] Reid event." <http://politi.co/1AEkLDb>

--KEN VOGEL, "Blue billionaires on top: POLITICO's list of Top 100 donors of disclosed money tilts leftward": "The 100 biggest donors of 2014 gave nearly \$174 million to Democrats, compared to more than \$140 million to Republicans ... Donors who gave mostly or exclusively to Democrats held down 52 of the top 100 spots, including that of the biggest by far - retired San Francisco hedge fund billionaire Tom Steyer, who spent \$74 million ... [H]edge fund billionaire Jim Simons ... emerged as perhaps the Democrat's most reliable big-check writer. He combined with his wife, Marilyn Simons, to donate \$8.3 million." <http://politi.co/1A5ggP0>

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THE NEW MAJORITY -- "House GOP's immigration push faces split with Senate," by Manu Raju and Seung Min Kim: "Moderate Senate Democrats and a handful of GOP senators are balking at a House plan that would block Obama's new policy of deferring deportations for millions of undocumented immigrants, along with the administration's earlier protections for immigrants brought to the country illegally at a young age. While those senators oppose the president's unilateral moves on immigration, they are wary of linking the issue with a must-pass bill to fund domestic security programs, worried that a stalemate could shut down [DHS]." <http://politi.co/14GgqVa>

CLICKER - Rick McKee has a great cartoon with a man opening up the "Western Civilization Times" with a picture of Kim Jong-Un as "Our New Film Critic" and an angry jihadist with a gun as "Our New Art Critic". <http://bit.ly/1wI69yz>

DAVID CAMERON to visit Washington next week - White House statement: "The President and Prime Minister Cameron will have a working dinner at the White House on Thursday ... and a meeting in the Oval Office on Friday ... The two leaders will discuss a range of issues including economic growth, international trade, cybersecurity, Iran, ISIL, counterterrorism, Ebola, and Russia's actions in Ukraine."

TREASURY SECRETARY LEW in today's WashPost, "Let's leave Wall Street's risky practices in the past ": "The president has made clear that he is prepared to defend the gains we have made against attempts to water down protections and expose the economy to the risky practices of the past. Too often, lobbyists and special interests have persuaded Congress to deregulate our financial system at moments of economic calm, but we must not weaken the tools we need to protect consumers and taxpayers from excessive risks taken by financial firms." <http://wapo.st/1I58yKY>

DEEP DIVE - "Plundering America: The Cuban Criminal Pipeline," by (Fort Lauderdale) Sun-Sentinel's Sally Kestin, Megan O'Matz and John Maines: "U.S. policy created for humanitarian reasons 50 years ago has fueled a criminal pipeline from Cuba to Florida, enabling crooks from the island to rob American businesses and taxpayers of more than \$2 billion over two decades. A yearlong Sun Sentinel investigation found money stolen in the United States streaming back to Cuba, and a revolving door that allows thieves to come here, make a quick buck and return." <http://bit.ly/1seAbxe>

HAPPENING TONIGHT -- Former Bush speechwriter Jonathan Horn (hubby of Washington "CBS Evening News" senior producer Caroline Horn), is out with a new book, a Robert E. Lee biography, "The Man Who Would Not be Washington," published this week by Scribner. Horn is giving a talk, and will sign books, at 5 p.m. at Politics & Prose. **\$19.57 on Amazon** <http://amzn.to/1yPHP3B>

SPORTS BLINK - Buffalo News, "Bills offer Rex Ryan head-coaching job," by Vic Carucci: "The Buffalo Bills have offered their head-coaching job to [fired Jets coach] Rex Ryan ... ESPN's Adam Schefter and NFL Network's Ian Rapoport are reporting that Ryan and the Bills are working out details of a five-year contract. ... Ryan led the Jets to back-to-back AFC title appearances in 2009-10." <http://bit.ly/1A5dNEv>

BIRTHDAYS : Ben Finkenbinder, formerly of OFA and the White House, and now at 270 Strategies (one of five Bens working in comms in the first term). Also a huge USA Soccer fan

(assist: Ben Chang) ... Walter R. Mears, Boy on the Bus and legendary AP newsman, is 8-0 (h/t Ron Fournier) ... Steven Law ... Ashley Nathanson ... Mark Halperin (h/t Vidhya Murugesan) ... CR Wooters ... Anne Cronin (h/t Joanne Kenen) ... Jon Kott ... John Milne ... Ron Phillips ... John Emerson, U.S. Ambassador to Germany (h/t Jon Haber) ... Jim Hightower ... Randy Bortrager ... Dante Scala ... Catherine Andrews ... Kevin Mooney ... Brooke Anderson ... Joe Lai, policy adviser to Sen. Roger Wicker (h/t Tampico Society) ... Virginia Reynolds Hatmaker ... Grant Card ... Lisa Langer ... producer Grant Tinker is 90 ... Naomi Judd is 69 ... World Golf Hall of Famer Ben Crenshaw is 63 ... contemporary Christian musician Jim Bryson (MercyMe) is 47 ... Mary J. Blige is 44 ... Jason Wahler ('Laguna Beach'; 'The Hills') is 28 ... pop singer Cody Simpson is 18 (h/t AP)

DESSERT -- "'Mad Men' begins its stretch run in April," by AP's David Bauder: "'Mad Men' begins airing its final seven episodes in April and the show's notoriously secretive creator, Matthew Weiner, said he told only star actor Jon Hamm in advance how it will end. ... 'I am super proud of the fact that we did not repeat ourselves,' ... Weiner said ... [and added] he's certainly interested in making the ending satisfying to fans. But he cautioned that you can't please everyone, and it wouldn't be smart creatively to do that." <http://yhoo.it/1tUxJaW>

--Triumph the Insult Comic Dog to get TV show - Deadline Hollywood's Lisa de Moraes: "Robert Smigel knows putting his Triumph the Insult Comic Dog figure into a multi cam comedy, The Jack and Triumph Show, [debuting in May] on Adult Swim, is 'an odd experiment' ... [with] Jack McBrayer ... Smigel boasted Triumph has been tossed out of Westminster Kennel Club dog show more than once, tossed from both political conventions, and banned from a Twilight premiere." <http://bit.ly/1w7WCQI>

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FIRST PERSON: Martha Raddatz -- ABC News Chief Global Affairs Correspondent, who joined the network from NPR in 1999 and has traveled to Iraq more than 20 times, and Pakistan and Afghanistan dozens of times - has been reporting from Iran all week, and co-anchors tomorrow's "This Week" from the region. She talked to us from Tehran on an iPhone - a sign of how much lighter today's foreign correspondent can travel. She flew commercial from Dulles to Frankfurt to Amman to Dubai to Tehran.

--On covering the 36th anniversary of the 1979 Iranian theological revolution: "[A]fter their chanting, they come up to you and say, 'Welcome! Welcome!' and they're so happy. And they ask me, 'Where are you from?' I say, 'America,' and then they say, 'Oh, welcome, welcome.' But then a few people [say:] 'America's the great Satan.' ... I haven't been here for a couple of years. ... I feel a real different in access ... We have permission papers that we can shoot a lot of places that we haven't shot before, and talk to people really rather freely. ... [T]he access has been pretty incredible. I feel like I've had a better sense of the Iranian people than I have on any other visit."

--On talking to everyday Iranians : "[W]e have a translator who's translating the Farsi, but a number of people speak English. I try not to seek out the English speakers, because then you get just a certain part of the population ... We had our producer/fixer[/translator] who works with us, but he was near me but that was it. My photographer/producer, Brian Hartman, was actually up high on a walkway so he could do the scene. So, it's just me and Brian here from Washington ... [A]t no time did I feel unsafe."

--On wearing a headscarf when she's out of her hotel room : "[I]n 2009, ... we were shooting the hijab police, ... who were checking to see if the women had the headscarf on, the hijab on, which is required for women, and they basically took us and took passports for several days and wouldn't let us go anywhere ... I wear baggy clothing and ... long sleeves. I have baggy pants that are black, and I wear something that's just slightly above the knee -- like a jacket or a longer T-shirt ... [Y]ou're not supposed to wear tight, revealing clothing here -- not that I do, at my age."

--On being recognized: "Today, a man in the crowd actually said, 'Did I see you on TV yesterday?' I don't know that he actually did -- I was with a TV camera. But the [government] minder knew I had moderated the [Biden-Ryan] vice-presidential debate. ... He did do his homework."

--On being there : "We came back from this big rally and went out for a Tehrani meal, and lots of families were eating because it's a holiday. When you're here, you get that sense, instead of journalism by proxy. ... I'm a little careful about eating raw vegetables, although I

have here ... I drink bottled water. ... But I brush my teeth in the sink. ... There are definitely certain websites that are blocked. I can't get on to TV Newser."

BULLETIN - BBC: One person died after gunfire sprayed a free-speech event in Copenhagen that featured a controversial cartoonist. Danish police said three officers were shot and wounded.

DRIVING THE CONVERSATION - "Activists bristle at Hillary Clinton fundraising pleas: Constant solicitations for cash in the absence of an actual candidate aren't sitting well," by Ben Schreckinger: "I'll be ready for Hillary when Hillary's ready,' ... said Bill Verge, a Democratic activist who played a key role in John Kerry's 2004 New Hampshire campaign. ... Verge, who said he has been 'inundated with emails daily,' counts himself a likely Clinton supporter ... Clinton is conducting a charm offensive from afar: Democrats in both early states report receiving handwritten notes from her." <http://politi.co/1ErYNDP>

OBAMA ALUMNI - "The Obamization of Uber: How David Plouffe is tackling the biggest campaign of his life," by Nancy Scola, Politico Magazine contributing editor: "His mission is to do away with the company's bro-ish image and turn it into a viable company that ... is ready to contribute to the United States' future prosperity. He's known as Uber's 'campaign manager.' The playbook is familiar to anyone who paid attention to Obama for America. Start by turning your campaign into a cause. ... Then build an inspiring narrative around said theme. Speak to your core audience wherever they might be, whenever possible via the beautiful efficient directness of email.

"**Nudge them toward** being fired-up advocates, partly by equipping them with the hand-selected facts. ... [A]s Plouffe has settled in and grown his team, a remarkable thing has happened: The company's won a string of good press. There are signs that Plouffe's strategy is working-at least somewhat." <http://politi.co/171Sz2W>

DON'T BELIEVE THE RAMPANT RUMOR on Broadcast Row that Brian Williams will resign this weekend. Not gonna happen.

HOT ONLINE -- "Confessions of a Capitol Hill Staffer: 9 Secrets from the Inside" - FamousDC.com: "1. This is nothing like 'House of Cards' or 'The West Wing' ... We understand we're all working for and towards something greater: one day being a big enough deal for Mike Allen to mention my birthday in Playbook. 2. I can smell out an open bar reception like a bloodhound 3. This is basically an extension of college 4. My mom thinks I work for the President of the United States 5. Once you figure out your way around Rayburn - it is time to go." <http://bit.ly/1MgADCh>

CLICKER - "SNL's Best Political Sketches," by Katelyn Fossett for Politico Magazine: "For the show's 40th anniversary, we're taking a look back at some of our favorites." **7 videos on one page:** <http://politi.co/1CqAFiQ>

INVISIBLE PRIMARY - Boston Globe A1, bottom of page, "Bush pressing to lock in Romney's donors," by Matt Viser in D.C.: "Of Romney's top five lobbyist bundlers in 2012 - who each raised at least \$1 million - four are supporting or likely to support Bush. The fifth is on the fence." <http://bit.ly/1BbaFwx>

--WashPost A1, bottom of page, "As fundraiser, Bush hits the ground sprinting," by Matea Gold: "Bush's press for dollars has been so intense - averaging one fundraiser a day -

that his Republican competitors do not even claim they can compete ... 'Are they raising a lot of money? Yeah,' said Ray Washburne, a Dallas real estate developer who is heading efforts to solicit contributions for Gov. Chris Christie ... 'We're in the making-friends stage.'"
<http://bit.ly/1BbaFwx>

--"**Christie accused of blocking casino deal to help billionaire donor [Adelson],**" by **Business Insider's Hunter Walker:** "A plan to bring one of the world's largest online gambling companies [PokerStars] to Atlantic City has seemingly stalled, and some critics are pointing their fingers at ... Christie ... and ... Adelson ... Christie's office [said] it is 'nonsensical' to say he interfered with the deal." <http://read.bi/1KSDnUM>

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SCOOP DU JOUR - WSJ 5-col. lead, "Ayatollah Sent Message to Obama: Iran's Leader Secretary Communicated With White House Amid Nuclear Talks, but Significance Unclear," by Jay Solomon and Carol E. Lee: "The Iranian cleric wrote to Mr. Obama in recent weeks in response to an October presidential letter that raised the possibility of U.S.-Iranian cooperation in fighting Islamic State if a nuclear deal is secured, according to an Iranian diplomat. The [message] was 'respectful' but noncommittal." <http://on.wsj.com/1MIL2fX>

BEYOND THE BELTWAY - The (Portland) Oregonian cover, "DEFIANT EXIT," by **Michelle Brence:** "Oregon Gov. John Kitzhaber ... relinquished his office Friday after a week of escalating pressure. In a defiant statement issued just after noon, the governor bowed to ... allegations that he and fiancée Cylvia Hayes abused his office. He will step down Wednesday ... Democrat Kate Brown, now the secretary of state, will take his place." <http://bit.ly/1zetn0x>

--**AP/Salem:** "Kate Brown ... will ... become the first openly bisexual governor in the nation. ... [H]ours after ... [Kitzhaber's announcement], a subpoena confirmed ... federal agents were looking into the influence-peddling scandal."

--"**Massive FBI investigation**" - **Oregonian's Laura Gunderson:** "A federal grand jury in Portland has launched a sweeping investigation of ... Kitzhaber and fiancée Cylvia Hayes that ranges from the state's 10-year budget plan to the proposed Port of Morrow coal terminal." See the 6-page subpoena. <http://bit.ly/1MIMC1n>

TALKER -- "Ginsburg and Scalia on parasailing, elephants and not being '100% sober," by **CNN's Ariane de Vogue:** "Ginsburg admitted that once again, she fell asleep [at the State of the Union], 'as I often do.' 'The audience for the most part is awake because they are bobbing up and down and we sit there, stone faced ... But we're not, at least I was not 100% sober,' she said to big applause. She blamed a fine wine Justice Kennedy had brought to dinner before hand." <http://cnn.it/1zcPjsY>

JACK SHAFER column, "David Carr ... Remembering a friend, a journalist and a journalist's friend": "A master interrogator, he used his guise the way an anglerfish uses the wriggling growth on its head to attract and then devour other fish. Interview subjects who paid attention to Carr's jittery gestures and boho-lingo, thinking him a harmless eccentric, found afterwards that he'd picked their pockets for information. ... If you asked him how he was doing, he'd shoot back, 'Workin' hard, gettin' lucky.' ... Journalists also loved Carr for the way

he defended the trade. Although he looked like a misfit outsider, nobody preached the orthodox values of journalism-accuracy, fairness, enterprise, courage-to the public quite the way he did." <http://politi.co/1A5tUVf>

--FLASHBACK -- -June 17, 2011, "The kingdom and the power of David Carr," by Tom McGeeveran in Capital New York: "This is one version of David Carr, which he endorses: a veteran of the alternative newsweekly scene, and the media-focused Web 1.0 craze; a former crack addict and single father on welfare who has written a memoir all about it without sparing himself ... [T]o the industry, David Carr is the battle-hardened face of The New York Times, that kind of zealous convert every clerical magisterium (and the top of the Times masthead is a sort of Vatican) wishes for but could never intentionally create. He is its most important champion." <http://bit.ly/1zS3IyB>

GREAT WEEKEND READS from Daniel Lippman, filing from San Francisco:

--"Why Do Many Reasonable People Doubt Science?" by Joel Achenbach in National Geographic Magazine: "We live in an age when all manner of scientific knowledge—from the safety of fluoride and vaccines to the reality of climate change—faces organized and often furious opposition. ... [D]oubters have declared war on the consensus of experts. ... Our lives are permeated by science and technology as never before. For many of us this new world is wondrous, comfortable, and rich in rewards—but also more complicated and sometimes unnerving. We now face risks we can't easily analyze." <http://bit.ly/1A0wSKO>

--"May You Have My Luck," by William Ian Miller in the Chronicle of Higher Education: "Even a dyed-in-the-wool secular rationalist, every once in a while, banks on luck. ... The lucky person knows not to press his luck, not to draw on it too often, nor ask too much of it. ... Feeling lucky in that world is just asking for it; the gods will nail you." <http://bit.ly/1vnJB64>

--"Why are we obsessed with the Nazis?" by Richard J. Evans in The Guardian: "The Nazis still have a strong hold on us - in daily news stories, in bookshops and cinemas, even on the streets of Europe. But how has thinking about the Third Reich changed over the decades? And does it exert such a grip because it represents racism in its most extreme form?" <http://bit.ly/1DlusbG>

THE PRESIDENT'S WEEK AHEAD: Today, "the President will travel to Palm Springs ... from ... San Francisco On Sunday, the President will remain in Palm Springs ... and has no public events ... On Monday, the President will depart Palm Springs en route Washington ... On Wednesday, the President will deliver remarks at the White House Summit on Countering Violent Extremism ... On Thursday, the President will go to the State Department to deliver remarks to a high-level Ministerial as part of the White House Summit on Countering Violent Extremism. Afterward, the President will travel to Chicago to announce the Pullman National Monument. ... On Friday, the President will deliver remarks at the General Session of the 2015 DNC Winter Meeting at the Hyatt Regency in Washington ... On Sunday, the President will deliver remarks at the National Governors Association Dinner and Reception at the White House."

L.A. LEGEND: REMEMBERING STAN CHAMBERS, age 91 - The Vin Scully of news! Dee Dee Myers grew up watching him -- L.A. Times A1, "Longtime TV newsman: Reporter, news director spent 6 decades at KTLA [Channel 5]," by Dennis McLellan: "Chambers' ... career ... spanned nearly the entire history of the pioneering Los Angeles TV

station. When he retired in August 2010 - on his 87th birthday - he had covered more than 22,000 stories [including] the 1961 Bel-Air/Brentwood fire, the 1963 Baldwin Hills dam disaster, the 1965 Watts riots, the 1968 assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy."
<http://lat.ms/1Eb1OZF>

MEDIAWATCH -- Domenico Montanaro to NPR -- Scott Montgomery, managing editor of Digital News, and Washington editor Beth Donovan email the staff: "Montanaro will join the Washington Desk as our lead editor for Politics and Digital Audience. ... Domenico will join us March 9 ... comes to us from the PBS NewsHour, where he [was] political director ... During the previous two presidential elections, he was the deputy political editor for NBC News and a writer and editor of First Read."

BIRTHWEEK (was yesterday): J.R. Claeys, Kansas state representative (h/t John Celock, who was on time) ... Unjin Lee, Sen. Cory Booker's scheduler ... Mary Tiffany Cownie ... Bill McCarren of National Press Club ... Chip Smith, president and CEO of Glover Park Group ... Ryan Cunningham ... WSJ reporter Mike Spector ... Maruffe S. Oliveira

BIRTHDAYS : ABC's Martha Raddatz ... Carl Bernstein is 71 ... Michael Bloomberg is 73 ... Hugh Downs is 94 ... former Sen. Judd Gregg (R-N.H.) is 68 ... DCI Group's Ed Patru ... NYT Atlanta reporter Alan Blinder ... Oscar Ramirez, principal at the Podesta Group, is 4-0. He's celebrating in Miami with his wife, Stephanie Valencia, deputy chief of staff at Commerce. He'll celebrate more formally in D.C. (h/ts Anna Palmer, Jon Haber) ... Matt Angle ... Dave Cuzzi, Sununu alum ... Sakina Jaffrey, who plays chief of staff on "The House of Cards" ... Sheila Riggs ... Brooke Lierman ... Kate Sullivan ... Jen Pihlaja (h/ts Teresa Vilmain) ... Jacob Luneau, president of Red Pelican Strategies in Baton Rouge ... Jeremy Robbins, executive director of the Partnership for a New American Economy ... Ede Holiday, President George H.W. Bush's Cabinet Secretary, and Treasury counsel ... Hannah VanHoose in Sen. Tester's office ...

... **Karen Anderson** of KLA Strategies and Obama CEA, Clinton and Brookings alum (h/ts Lyndon Boozer, Tom O'Donnell) ... Dan Walsh of Greenberg Traurig ... Wesley Goodman of Conservative Action Project ... photographer Rod Lamkey ... the U.S. Chamber's favorite Aussie, Mark Elliot, executive vice president of the Chamber's Global Intellectual Property Center ... Sharon Daniels ... Galen Main ... Blue State Digital's Pete Solecki ... Gwendolyn Elaine ... Lindsay Jackson ... John Buckley ... Mike Inganamort ... Carlos Sanchez, Pelosi alum ... Colin Van Ostern ... Jenny Nielsen ... Sarosh Mahdi ... WashPost alum John Vockley ... Neal Mann ... Bill Beach ... Alan Feinberg Jr. ... Griff Hathaway ... Florence Henderson is 81 ... Teller (Penn and Teller) is 67 ... Pro Football Hall of Famer Jim Kelly is 55 ... Sakina Jaffrey, who plays chief of staff on "House of Cards," is 53 ... Freddie Highmore is 23 (h/ts AP)

THE SHOWS, from @MattMackowiak, filing from Austin:

--NBC's "Meet the Press" : U.S. Sen. John McCain (R-AZ); U.S. Sen. Jack Reed (D-RI); Veterans Affairs Secretary Robert McDonald; comedian Dana Carvey; political roundtable with MSNBC co-host and NBC News senior political analyst Joe Scarborough, author David Axelrod ("Believer: My Forty Years in Politics"), American Urban Radio Networks' April Ryan and Washington Post columnist Kathleen Parker

--ABC's "This Week": U.S. Rep. Adam Kinzinger (R-IL); U.S. Rep. Adam Schiff (D-CA); political roundtable with ABC News contributor and Democratic strategist Donna Brazile,

ABC News contributor and Republican strategist Ana Navarro, The Washington Post's Robert Costa and Politico's Jim VandeHei

--**CBS's "Face the Nation"**: White House chief of staff Denis McDonough; U.S. Sen. Bob Corker (R-TN); U.S. Rep. John Lewis (D-GA); political roundtable with The New York Times' Peter Baker, CBS News' Jan Crawford, The Atlantic's Jeffrey Goldberg and Wall Street Journal columnist Kimberley Strassel

--**"Fox News Sunday"** : Speaker of the House John Boehner (R-OH); Alabama Supreme Court Chief Justice Roy Moore; political roundtable with syndicated columnist and Fox News contributor George Will, the Associated Press' Julie Pace, former Bush White House press secretary and Fox News co-host Dana Perino and Fox News political analyst Juan Williams; "Power Player of the Week" with director Rory Kennedy ("The Last Days in Vietnam")

--**Fox News' "Sunday Morning Futures"** (10am ET / 9am CT): U.S. Rep. Peter King (R-NY); former Bush administration U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia and Southern Methodist University's Amb. Robert Jordan; Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank president and CEO Charles Plosser; political roundtable with former Reagan White House advisor and Fox News political analyst Ed Rollins, author, journalist, Fox News contributor and Manhattan Institute adjunct fellow Judith Miller and S&P Capital IQ Global Markets Intelligence Group senior director Richard Peterson

--**Fox News' "MediaBuzz"** (11am ET / 10am CT): Roundtable with Fox News contributor and National Review editor Rich Lowry, The Hollywood Reporter's Marisa Guthrie, TIME Magazine columnist Joe Klein, former ABC News president David Westin, The Blaze TV's Amy Holmes, Obama 2008 campaign aide Mark Hannah and Mail Online U.S. editor-at-large Piers Morgan

--**CNN's "Inside Politics"** with John King (SUN 8:30am ET): Roundtable with the Associated Press' Julie Pace, The Atlantic's Molly Ball, The New York Times' Jonathan Martin and CNN's Peter Hamby

--**CNN's "State of the Union"** (9am ET / 12pm ET): Former Obama administration CIA director and Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta (substitute anchor: CNN's Jim Acosta)

--**CNN's "Fareed Zakaria GPS"**: (SUN 10am ET / 1pm ET): Hermitage Capital Management CEO and founder Bill Browder; roundtable on Greece with The Economist editor-in-chief Zanny Minton Beddoes, Financial Times U.S. managing editor Gillian Tett and TIME Magazine assistant managing editor for economics and business Rana Foroohar; Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation co-chairs Bill & Melinda Gates

--**CNN's "Reliable Sources"** : (SUN 11am ET): Former CBS News president Andrew Heyward; former CNN international correspondent Michael Ware; former CNN Washington bureau chief and The George Washington University's Frank Sesno

--**Univision's "Al Punto"** (SUN 10am ET / 1pm PT): Univision Sábado Gigante host "Don Francisco" Mario Kreutzberger; roundtable of young Hispanics with U.S. Rep. Joaquin Castro (D-TX) chief of staff Carlos Sanchez, U.S. Department of Education special advisor on legislative affairs Blanche Roblero, House Republican Conference press secretary for Hispanic media Wadi Gaitan and RNC director of Hispanic media Ruth Guerra; Cuban blogger Yusnaby Perez; actor, producer and director Kevin Costner

--**C-SPAN: "The Communicators"** (SAT 6:30pm ET): National Cable and Telecommunications Association president and CEO Michael Powell, questioned by The Washington Post's Brian Fung ... **"Newsmakers"** (SUN 10am ET): Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx, questioned by the Associated Press' Joan Lowry and CQ Roll Call's Tom Curry ... **"Q&A"** (SUN 8pm ET / 11pm ET): Director, producer and writer Thomas Allen Harris ("Through a Lens Darkly: Black Photographers and the Emergence of a People")

--**PBS's "To the Contrary"** with Bonnie Erbé: Roundtable with Incite Unlimited president Avis Jones-DeWeever, Independent Women's Forum's Patrice Lee, Center for American Progress' Danielle Moodie-Mills and Republican strategist Rina Shah

--**MSNBC's "UP with Steve Kornacki"** : (SUN 8-10am ET): MSNBC political analyst, SiriusXM co-host and former RNC chairman Michal Steele; Forbes contributor and SiriusXM co-host Rick Ungar; The Chicago Sun-Times' Lynn Sweet; U.S. Sen. Roger Wicker (R-MS); former "Saturday Night Live" cast member Gary Kroeger; former "Saturday Night Live" writer and featured performer A. Whitney Brown; former "Saturday Night Live" writer Alan Zweibel; former "Saturday Night Live" cast member Tim Meadows; former "Saturday Night Live" cast member Julia Sweeney

--**MSNBC's "Melissa Harris-Perry"** : (SUN 10am-12pm ET): National Republican consultant Katon Dawson; author and Princeton University's Julian Zelizer ("The Fierce Urgency of Now: Lyndon Johnson, Congress, and the Battle for the Great Society"); The New York Times' Marcus Mabry; Defense One's Molly O'Toole; U.S. Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA); ArchCity Defenders co-founder and managing attorney Michael-John Voss; lead plaintiff suing Jennings, MO Samantha Jenkins; Communities United for Police Reform's Monifa Bandle; Equal Justice USA national organizer Cherrell Brown; Shift MSNBC.com host Seema Iyer; The Nation Magazine's Dave Zirin; author Caroline Clarke ("Postcards from Cookie")

-- **WUSA 9, "Capital Download"** with Derek McGinty and Susan Page: (SUN 8:30am ET): Author and former Obama campaign senior strategist David Axelrod ("Believer: My Forty Years in Politics"); roundtable with Politico's Manu Raju and USA Today's Paul Singer; Targeted Victory co-founder Zac Moffat

--**SiriusXM's "No Labels Radio"** (SAT 10am ET & 8pm ET / SUN 6am ET & 9pm ET): Co-hosted by No Labels co-chairman former Gov. Jon Huntsman (R-UT) and former U.S. Ambassador Stuart Holliday; MSNBC and Telemundo host José Díaz-Balart; Commission on Presidential Debates director and former FCC chairman Newton Minow; Gov. Jack Dalrymple (R-ND).

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Good Sunday morning, and happy Mother's Day! Thank you to the priceless Moms in our life

TRUMP to George Stephanopoulos on ABC's "This Week," re GOP: "Does it have to be unified?" I'm very different than everybody else, perhaps, that's ever run for office. I actually don't think so. I think it would be better if it were unified. There would be something good about it. But I don't think it actually has to be unified in the traditional sense. <http://abcn.ws/1q7arT6>

TRUMP to Chuck Todd on "Meet the Press," re Romney: "I believe I won him, or helped him win, five states that he was going to lose in the primaries. He was ungrateful." On his tax plan: "Under my proposal, it's the biggest tax cut by far, of any candidate by far. But I'm not under the illusion that that's going to pass." On releasing his tax returns: "Remember this, I've already given my financials. And my financials show I'm worth more than \$10 billion, by any stretch of the imagination. You don't learn much from tax returns."

SUNDAY BEST - SARAH PALIN interviewed by Jake Tapper on CNN's "State of the Union": "I think Paul Ryan is soon to be Cantored. As in Eric Cantor. His political career is over but for a miracle, because he has so disrespected the will of the people. As the leader of the GOP at the convention, certainly he is to remain neutral and for him to already come out and say who he will not support [yet] was not a wise decision of his."

TAPPER: "Paul Ryan is facing a challenge in the republican primary in Wisconsin. The primary is coming up August 9th. The candidate is Paul Nehlen. Are you planning on supporting his challenger?" **PALIN:** "I will do whatever I can for Paul Nehlen. This man is a hardworking guy, so in touch with the people." <http://cnn.it/1Tx5KtE>

HILLARY interviewed Friday by John Dickerson in Oakland on CBS' "Face the Nation," re Trump: "Maybe he just doesn't understand that running our government is not the same as making real estate deals. I'm not going to run an ugly race. I am going to run a race based on issues. I don't really feel like I'm running against Donald Trump. I feel like I'm running for my vision of what our country can be."

DICKERSON: "David Ignatius has a piece in The Washington Post where he suggests that Donald Trump is pulling away from U.S. commitments abroad. Is part of this campaign going to be you making the case for why the United States has to have a very active role overseas?" **HILLARY:** "I don't see Donald Trump having any kind of coherent foreign policy or theory of national security." *Ignatius* <http://wapo.st/1VOWQOg>

--CLINTON, re FBI: "No one has reached out to me yet. But last summer, I made it clear I'm more than ready to talk to anybody, anytime." *Transcript* <http://bit.ly/1T5ivOA>

TOP TWEET -- @blakehounshell: "Remarkable speech on race in America by Obama [at Howard Commencement yesterday]. Worth reading." *Transcript* <https://t.co/1mKVjYyrE4>

ARTICLE OF THE DAY - "Trump consolidates control of state parties: After months of being routed by Ted Cruz, Trump is finally winning the backstage delegate game," by Kyle Cheney: "Trump vanquished his rivals at the ballot box and, for the first time, he pulled off the same feat in this weekend's delegate elections, punching tickets for dozens of allies from North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Minnesota. Trump's campaign also showcased a tighter relationship with party insiders, coordinated with state-party leaders to make sure pro-Trump paraphernalia littered the conventions halls, and banners reading 'Defeat Hillary! Vote Trump!' lined the rooms." <http://politi.co/21KpmR6>

--@seanspicer: "Why did the @GOP do so well in 2014? RNC chair @Reince asked @newtingrich to study; his findings are here." <http://bit.ly/1TNSwvf> 22-page PDF <http://bit.ly/1SYrUE0>

THE NARRATIVE - "A billionaire and millionaire in the year of populism," by AP's Bill Barrow in St. Clairsville, Ohio, and Catherine Lucey in Iowa: "Trump is worth about \$4.5 billion according to Forbes, though he claims more. Forbes estimates Clinton to be worth about \$45 million. But the candidate who connects with the widest swath of 'average Americans' (median household income of about \$54,000) will find the clearest path to the Oval Office." <http://apne.ws/274HvT>

THE MAP -- L.A. Times 2-col. lead, "Can Trump turn any blue states red?" To win in November, the Republican would have to redraw the electoral map," by Mark Z. Barabak in S.F. and David Lauter: "Trump says he can generate a significantly higher turnout of white blue-collar voters, boosting him in Democratic-leaning industrial states, but 'two can play that game,' said Whit Ayres, a Republican pollster who worked for Rubio. 'Given his incredibly derisive comments about Mexicans and other immigrants, it's reasonable to think that there would be an enormous turnout of Hispanics to stop Donald Trump,' Ayres said. If so, Nevada and Colorado - which were expected to be major battlegrounds - could move beyond Trump's reach."

"So would Florida. The 50-50 electorate [in 2000] reflected 'a Florida that's gone now,' said David Johnson, the former executive director of the state GOP. The percentage of whites in the state has declined steadily and huge immigration from economically strapped Puerto Rico has changed Florida's Latino population, once primarily Cuban, to a more Democratic-leaning electorate. In 2012, Johnson noted, Romney carried about 40% of the state's Latino voters and still lost to President Obama by a percentage point."

"The most likely route to a Trump victory runs through the nation's historical industrial belt, from Pennsylvania on to Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin. He would probably need to win each of those states to prevail; all start in the Democratic column, save Ohio, perennial battleground. By emphasizing trade issues in a region that has suffered a steep decline in manufacturing jobs, Trump hopes to spur an enormous turnout of white working-class voters, attracting many who might have sat out previous elections, or voted Democratic."

"Trump may have to fight just to hang on in states that Republicans usually take for granted. Arizona and Georgia both have large and growing minority populations that could make them competitive. Missouri, with one foot in the South and the other in the Midwest, is another state that Obama lost twice that Clinton might be able to put into play." <http://lat.ms/1O82w3q>

--L.A. Times A1, tease: "Vicente Fox backs Hillary Clinton -- Long sympathetic to GOP, former Mexican president sees alarming xenophobia in Trump." <http://lat.ms/1WgE2Yc>

MOTHER'S DAY READ ... NOAH SHACTMAN, Daily Beast executive editor, "The Surreal Story of a Purple-Faced Lady and My Mom's Stolen Jewels: When my mother's rings vanished, the obvious suspect seemed too odd to be a crook." *With a great last graf* <http://thebea.st/1Ztcayn>

-- A two minute C-SPAN clip from Sen. Robert Byrd (D-WVa.) on the Senate floor May 7, 1998 talking about the importance of mothers. <http://cs.pn/1WSHGQJ>

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LATE NIGHT BEST - "Dana Carvey's Church Lady Returns To Interview Trump and Cruz on SNL": "Church Lady": "Does Donny ever take a gander at the Holy Scripture?"

"Trump" played by Darrell Hammond: "Honestly I love all the books in the Bible, I do. They're all terrific. Corinthians, Part Deux. Two Genesis, Two Furious, which

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says and I quote, 'Love thy neighbor as thyself and like a good neighbor, State Farm is there ' 'And always keep the Sabbath yuge ' That's Moses And the part when Jon Snow [from 'Game of Thrones'] comes back to life That's great Bible " **7-min. video** <http://bit.ly/1Zt3gRj>

MAUREEN DOWD on fire today -- channels next Thursday's Ryan-Trump summit -- "Who's King of the Hill, Donald Trump or Paul Ryan?": "RYAN and Donald Trump sit down to hash out a couple little things, like who is running the party and who is the actual Republican 'Welcome to Washington, Donald,' Ryan says, shaking hands with the presumptuous nominee 'Reince says you're far more gracious in private than in public [Playbook Breakfast!] and I sure hope that's true [T]hanks for not calling me Lyin' Ryan'

"**I never use the same adjective twice,**' Trump replies coolly ' Pious Paul? Pompous Paul? Phony Paul? Back-Stabbing, Blindsiding Paul who hung me out to dry to protect his own presidential ambitions for 2020?'

"**Ryan blanches, protesting:** 'No, no, I just want us to come together with a positive vision ' I am positive,' Trump says, manspreading as party aides cower in the corners Ryan puts on his best altar-boy demeanor, which annoys Trump 'You just make our problem with Hispanics worse when you tweet a picture of yourself eating a taco bowl on Cinco de Mayo ' 'No way, José.' Trump says 'That got 80,000 retweets and 100,000 likes Muy bueno I have eight million Twitter followers You have, like, one million and need two accounts to get there '" <http://nyti.ms/1Xf6mVh>

MOOD MUSIC - Trump statement Friday: "I told Reince that I thought it was totally inappropriate what Paul Ryan said and thought it was good for me politically But Reince feels, and I'm okay with that, that **we should meet before we go our separate ways.** So I guess the meeting will take place and who knows what will happen " <http://wapo.st/1Zt48Fv>

RYAN'S DILEMMA -- WashPost 1-col. lead, "Right faces a 'crisis' in GOP: CONSERVATIVE CORE RESISTS TRUMP - Stalwarts look to defend values beyond election," by Bob Costa and Phil Rucker: "The moment potentially marks the closure of a historic half-century in Republican politics in which conservatives have accrued dominant influence - on Capitol Hill, in gubernatorial mansions, at think tanks, on talk radio and in the grass roots Yet, by taking a stand they see as a stroke of moral clarity, conservative leaders are at risk of separating their coalition from a Republican Party in which voters coast to coast have effectively shifted the center of gravity by choosing Trump

"**Trump and Ryan are miles apart.** Ryan is the architect of sweeping proposed changes to Medicare and Social Security; Trump has pledged not to touch either Ryan supports a muscular foreign policy; Trump is proudly non-interventionist Ryan champions free trade; Trump is an avowed opponent Ryan defends religious freedom; Trump wants to temporarily ban Muslims from entering the country Ryan advocates bipartisan immigration reform and opposes mass deportation; Trump wants to build a wall at the Mexican border and deport the roughly 11 million immigrants who are living in the United States illegally

"**Ryan and his conservative allies** in elected offices nationwide still have a firm grip on the party's governing playbook and institutions But Trump has forced a heated debate over Republican identity and whether it is synonymous with conservatism - a threat to the authority of movement conservatives " <http://wapo.st/1Zt3Aj5>

--**N.Y. Times 1-col. lead, "G.O.P. UNRAVELS AS PARTY FACES TRUMP TAKEOVER: ESTABLISHMENT SHAKEN -- Grass-Roots Movement Builds on Years of Fraying Ties,"** by Pat Healy and Jonathan Martin, with Nick Corasaniti: "Trump leveraged a perfect storm,' said Steve Case, the founder of AOL, in an email message 'A combo of social media (big following), brand (celebrity figure), creativity (pithy tweets), speed/timeliness (dominating news cycles)'

"**For 12 consecutive years,** polls have indicated that Americans believe the country is on the wrong track, and Republicans have been especially vulnerable to a political campaign like Mr Trump's that seeks to channel voter anger " <http://nyti.ms/1Zt6T9P>

SPOTTED : At Peking Gourmet Inn in Falls Church yesterday singing "Happy Co-Birthday" to Justice Elena Kagan and the Post's Ruth Marcus: CIA Deputy Director David Cohen, former FTC Chair Jon Leibowitz, and Tracy's Kids founder Matt Gerson WaPo editor Marty Baron strolling by Le Diplomate Saturday afternoon Bob Schieffer in first class on an American fight from Dallas to DCA yesterday wearing a nice red V-neck sweater, reading papers and a book

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WHITE HOUSE DEPARTURE LOUNGE - Michael Ortiz, senior adviser to the National Security Advisor, emails friends and colleagues: "This was my last week at the White House I joined the Obama Senate office in 2007 and could never have imagined the incredible experience I would have over the next 9 years. It has been the honor of a lifetime to work for President Obama I will be moving to the Department of State to serve as Deputy Coordinator for Countering Violent Extremism in the Bureau of Counterterrorism "

CLICKER - "New Photos Show Bush's Response To 9/11 Attacks," by PBS's Jason M Breslow and Colette Neirouz Hana: "[A] new collection of never-before-seen photographs from that day were released Friday in response to a FOIA request by Colette Neirouz Hanna, coordinating producer for the Kirk Documentary Group, which [is producing the] forthcoming investigation The Secret History of ISIS " **12 pics by Eric Draper on one page** <http://to.pbs.org/1rFM7ZD>

TV TONIGHT - "On Assignment," a special six-episode series from "Dateline NBC," premieres at 7 p m ; the first episode is Cynthia McFadden's interview with Marcel Lehel Lazar, the hacker known as "Guccifer " **1-min. video preview** <http://nbcnews.to/1UJtsYJ> **Release** <http://nbcnews.to/1SYd7ds>

CLICKER - "This is an incredible visualization of the world's shipping routes" - Vox <http://bit.ly/1q77GRL>

GUNS ON TV - "Gun violence gets more nuanced, probing coverage," by AP Television Writer Lynn Elber: "[T]he headline-driven nature of the coverage is starting to shift, with documentary filmmakers, TV networks and others attempting to reach beyond the heat and anger of the moment in search of more nuanced - and sometimes more pointed - scrutiny of a crucial American issue With 'Armed in America,' PBS is giving over much of its prime-time schedule Monday and Tuesday to a pair of documentaries and town-hall discussions

"**Epix's 'Under the Gun,'** debuting [next Sunday] from executive producer Katie Couric and director Stephanie Soechtig, examines why those on opposite sides of stricter gun laws can't find common ground These follow a number of other in-depth projects, including a CNN town hall debate in January in which President Barack Obama discussed his gun control measures and proposals, and HBO's 2015 'Requiem for the Dead: American Spring 2014,' which told the stories of some shooting victims from that period " <http://yhoo.it/1s4Rfr7> **Previews -- "Armed in America"** <http://to.pbs.org/1SYkodM> **"Under the Gun"** <http://bit.ly/24EPGxH>

HOW WE LIVE: 'a stunning reversal of our perceptions of our region several decades ago' - WashPost Business cover, part of "The Divided American Dream" series about home ownership since the crash - "Far from the city, far from recovery: Loudoun County's distant suburbs were the D C area's hottest market - until nightmare commutes and a revitalized District flipped a housing switch," by Jonathan O'Connell and Kathy Orton: "From 2004 through the Great Recession, the values of single-family homes inside the Capital Beltway dramatically outperformed those outside it [W]hite-collar workers and empty-nesters are flocking to walkable and transit-accessible neighborhoods, driving up those home values

"**Investing in the outer suburbs** - with their abundance of spacious homes, good schools and shopping malls - was a rational bet at a time The turnaround began in the District after the Metro transit system expanded and Abe Pollin built MCI Center (now Verizon Center) in Penn Quarter downtown Mixed-use centers boomed at other Metro stations: A Target-anchored mall came to Columbia Heights, and the promise of a streetcar line drew shops and restaurants to H Street NE Apartment and office buildings followed

"**In the District and its close-in environs,** home values soared, with the 20002 Zip code in Northeast Washington rising 91 percent The shift toward inner Washington neighborhoods mirrors those in Boston, Seattle, New York and elsewhere, which also have prospered since the recession People pay a lot of attention these days to what their commute is going to be, where their job is located and how they are going to get to work,' said Sharon Bulova, Fairfax County Board chair since 2009 " <http://wapo.st/1SYbsVM>

BONUS GREAT WEEKEND READS, curated by Daniel Lippman:

--"**You Want a Description of Hell?' Oxycontin's 12-Hour Problem,"** by LATimes' Harriet Ryan, Lisa Girion and Scott Glover: "OxyContin [launched] two decades ago with a bold marketing claim: One dose relieves pain for 12 hours But OxyContin's stunning success masked a fundamental problem: The drug wears off hours early in many people The problem offers new insight into why so many people have become addicted to OxyContin " <http://bit.ly/1TsTJVU> (h/t Longform.org)

– "The Nazi Underground," by Jake Halpern in The New Yorker: "Is treasure buried beneath the mountains of Poland?" <http://bit.ly/1SUNrPv>

– "The Cure for Fear," by Ben Crain in The New Republic: "Scientists have discovered a radical new way to treat our most traumatic memories " <http://bit.ly/23vIv8E>

– "Refuge: One Syrian family's long odyssey to Georgia," by Matthew Shaer in Atlanta Magazine: "Of the 4.5 million Syrians who have fled their nation's bloody civil war, fewer than 3,000 have made it to America. This is one family's story " <http://bit.ly/1UHHMpa>

– "Should Prostitution Be a Crime?" by Emily Bazelon on the cover of today's N.Y. Times Magazine: "A growing movement of sex workers and activists is making the decriminalization of sex work a feminist issue " <http://nyti.ms/1SSNYor> The cover <http://bit.ly/1UFE4HW>

– "Why George Washington Would Have Agreed With Donald Trump," by Michael Hirsh in Politico Magazine: "Watch Out, Hillary: The Founding Fathers would have loved 'America First,' and they might have been right " <http://politi.co/1XbPnIt>

– "It's Been a Year Since DC's Mansion Murders. Why Hasn't Anyone Else Been Arrested?" by Washingtonian's Harry Jaffe: "So many questions remain open. And yet—at least beyond the friends, neighbors, and children in Massachusetts Avenue Heights—the mystery behind what many seasoned cops consider the most gruesome crime against a family in DC history is little discussed " <http://bit.ly/1YdAFPw>

OUT AND ABOUT - Former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright hosted a garden party to celebrate the engagement of Alexis Keslinke, her director of communications at Albright Stonebridge Group, and Tobin Krieg-Huntley of Dexis Consulting Group. Shiner Bock and Long Trail beers were served as a nod to home states of Texas and Vermont. Guests munched on tuna Niçoise sliders, bite-sized bacon and blue cheese sandwiches, tiny fish tacos, and heart-shaped chocolate-covered brownies.

SPOTTED : Elaine Shocas, Jim O'Brien, Melissa Giaimo, Ben Chang, Maks Czuperski, Liza Romanow, Jacob Freedman, Morgan Warners, Amy Celico, Jeff Solnet and Emily Schlichting, Maks Czuperski, Melissa Giaimo, Jacob Freedman and other ASG'ers, family from Texas and Vermont, and a bevy of friends from AU, where they met. [Pics http://bit.ly/1SW9B7e](http://bit.ly/1SW9B7e) <http://bit.ly/1OiN4vZ>

– Friends and colleagues of Sunday Times foreign correspondent Christina Lamb OBE gathered on the rooftop of New York Times editorial board writer Elizabeth Williamson's home to toast the U.S. release of Christina's seventh book, "Farewell Kabul: From Afghanistan to a More Dangerous World." In 2013 she co-authored the autobiography of Malala Yousafzai, "I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up For Education and Was Shot By The Taliban." Based in London, Christina is a global fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. \$14.05 on Amazon <http://amazon.to/1NnIq6a>

– **SPOTTED** : Lynne Weil, Julia Nesheiwat, Ben Chang, Jennifer Griffin and Greg Myre, Caryle Murphy, Denise Couture, Edward Stringer CBE, Tom and Gretchen Toles, Marcus Brauchli and Maggie Farley, Kim Barker, Gabrielle Dockery, Peter Finn and Nora Fitzgerald, Eve Conant, Kristin Roney, Julia Nesheiwat, Mary Beth Sheridan, Deb Horan, Ian Shapira and Caroline Turner, Nicole Gauette, Juliet Eilperin, Toby Hamden, Katy Stech, Jeff Smith, Jennifer Ludden

WEEKEND WEDDING – Nick Schaper and Mary Leschper got hitched on a beautiful rainy Friday night at the Stable at Bluemont Vineyards in Loudoun County, Va. Schaper, president at digital agency Engage and a Chamber and Boehner alum, and Leschper, API digital media manager and a Murkowski alum, met through work and have been together since a Memorial Day first-date brunch at Pearl Dive on 14th Street. Family and friends from Texas, Alaska, Florida, and D.C. celebrated #LeSchaper2016 with local wine and spritzes, swapped fishing stories and embarrassing anecdotes, and danced awkwardly into the night. [Pics http://bit.ly/1rFLPSC](http://bit.ly/1rFLPSC) <http://bit.ly/1UJ5MCs>

WELCOME TO THE WORLD - GMMB's Anson Kaye (a birthday boy today) and Melanie Fonder Kaye, CEO and founder of MFK Strategies and a Jill Biden and GMMB alum, email friends with the subject line "Like the stoic star of a 1950's Western " : "After more than a day of moving at his own unhurried pace, Cooper William Kaye finally ambled into town [Friday] night at 9:48 pm. So far he's been 9 pounds, 12.2 ounces of chunk and 21.5 inches of chill (though the big sisters arrive shortly so we'll see if that sticks.) Mom, of course, is terrific." [Pic http://bit.ly/1QVup9r](http://bit.ly/1QVup9r)

BIRTHDAYS: Amy Little Thomas (peep tips: Autumn, Brian) NYC Mayor Bill de Blasio is 55. Anson Kaye, partner at GMMB. Dave Catanese, senior politics writer at U.S. News and a "Kanye West fanboi/apologist," per his Twitter. Politico Magazine's Manuela Tobias is 21. Reps Vern Buchanan (R-Fla.) and John Moolenaar (R-Mich.). Adam Hitchcock, managing partner at Guggenheim Partners and an Obama alum. Meredy Talbot-Zorn, associate director of policy and advocacy at Save the Children USA. Kim Greenhouse. Stephen Peters, national press secretary at Human Rights Campaign. Chris Megerian, covering 2016 for the L.A. Times.

... Melissa Moss of Moss Advisors. Josh Lockman (h/t Jon Haber). Alix Haber (h/t Bonnie, Jon, Erin and Jay). NBC News' Clare Hiler (h/t Maggie Steenland). CAPer and Hokie Miranda Peterson (h/t DJW). Joan Doty. John Martin, senior health policy advisor for Ark. Gov. Asa Hutchinson and a Tom Cotton alum. Seth Freeland. Mike Neal. Kelley Greenman, OFA alum currently pursuing both a Harvard Biz School and Kennedy School degree. Eileen Davis, co-founder of women-matter.org. Daniel Ki, deputy organizing director at the N.H. Democratic Party and alum of OPE, IGA and Harvard Dems. John Lott, Jr., co-author with Grover Norquist of "Debauché". Claire Guthrie Gastanaga, executive director of ACLU of Virginia. Molly Howard, sister of Ben (Kevin McCarthy's Floor Director), aunt of John, and daughter of Jack (SVP of congressional and public affairs at the Chamber). Seth Freeland.

... former Sen. Dennis DeConcini (D-Ariz.). Adam Feiler. Geoffrey Cowan, author of "Let the People Rule: Theodore Roosevelt and the Birth of the Presidential Primary," president of The Annenberg Foundation Trust at Sunnylands (aka Camp David of the West), and former director of VOA, is 74. Sian Wetherill. Cathy Duvall. Shane Grady. Valerie Bhappu. Jim Cope. Heather Handyside. Stephanie Sanchez (h/t's Teresa Vilmain).

... Adam Feiler. David Lam (h/t all Redeemerites). John Stirrup. Tom McCuin. Lisa Katz Pagel. comedian Don Rickles is 90. naturalist Sir David Attenborough is 90. singer Toni Tennille is 76. actor James Mitchum is 75. Philip Bailey (Earth, Wind and Fire) is 65. Chris Frantz (Talking Heads) is 65. Alex Van Halen is 63. actress Melissa Gilbert is 52. singer Enrique Iglesias is 41. actress Nora Aneezeder ("Zoo") is 27 (h/t's AP).

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Good Sunday morning, and happy Mother's Day! Thank you to the priceless Moms in our life

TRUMP to George Stephanopoulos on ABC's "This Week," re GOP: "Does it have to be unified?" I'm very different than everybody else, perhaps, that's ever run for office. I actually don't think so. I think it would be better if it were unified. There would be something good about it. But I don't think it actually has to be unified in the traditional sense. <http://abcn.ws/1q7arT6>

TRUMP to Chuck Todd on "Meet the Press," re Romney: "I believe I won him, or helped him win, five states that he was going to lose in the primaries. He was ungrateful." On his tax plan: "Under my proposal, it's the biggest tax cut by far, of any candidate by far. But I'm not under the illusion that that's going to pass." On releasing his tax returns: "Remember this, I've already given my financials. And my financials show I'm worth more than \$10 billion, by any stretch of the imagination. You don't learn much from tax returns."

SUNDAY BEST - SARAH PALIN interviewed by Jake Tapper on CNN's "State of the Union": "I think Paul Ryan is soon to be Cantored. As in Eric Cantor. His political career is over but for a miracle, because he has so disrespected the will of the people. As the leader of the GOP at the convention, certainly he is to remain neutral and for him to already come out and say who he will not support [yet] was not a wise decision of his."

TAPPER: "Paul Ryan is facing a challenge in the republican primary in Wisconsin. The primary is coming up August 9th. The candidate is Paul Nehlen. Are you planning on supporting his challenger?" **PALIN:** "I will do whatever I can for Paul Nehlen. This man is a hardworking guy, so in touch with the people." <http://cnn.it/1Tx5KtE>

HILLARY interviewed Friday by John Dickerson in Oakland on CBS' "Face the Nation," re Trump: "Maybe he just doesn't understand that running our government is not the same as making real estate deals. I'm not going to run an ugly race. I am going to run a race based on issues. I don't really feel like I'm running against Donald Trump. I feel like I'm running for my vision of what our country can be."

DICKERSON: "David Ignatius has a piece in The Washington Post where he suggests that Donald Trump is pulling away from U.S. commitments abroad. Is part of this campaign going to be you making the case for why the United States has to have a very active role overseas?" **HILLARY:** "I don't see Donald Trump having any kind of coherent foreign policy or theory of national security." *Ignatius* <http://wapo.st/1VOWQOg>

--CLINTON, re FBI: "No one has reached out to me yet. But last summer, I made it clear I'm more than ready to talk to anybody, anytime." *Transcript* <http://bit.ly/1T5ivOA>

TOP TWEET -- @blakehounshell: "Remarkable speech on race in America by Obama [at Howard Commencement yesterday]. Worth reading." *Transcript* <https://t.co/1mKVjYyrE4>

ARTICLE OF THE DAY - "Trump consolidates control of state parties: After months of being routed by Ted Cruz, Trump is finally winning the backstage delegate game," by Kyle Cheney: "Trump vanquished his rivals at the ballot box and, for the first time, he pulled off the same feat in this weekend's delegate elections, punching tickets for dozens of allies from North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Minnesota. Trump's campaign also showcased a tighter relationship with party insiders, coordinated with state-party leaders to make sure pro-Trump paraphernalia littered the conventions halls, and banners reading 'Defeat Hillary! Vote Trump!' lined the rooms." <http://politi.co/21KpmR6>

--@seanspicer: "Why did the @GOP do so well in 2014? RNC chair @Reince asked @newtingrich to study; his findings are here." <http://bit.ly/1TNSwvf> 22-page PDF <http://bit.ly/1SYrUE0>

THE NARRATIVE - "A billionaire and millionaire in the year of populism," by AP's Bill Barrow in St. Clairsville, Ohio, and Catherine Lucey in Iowa: "Trump is worth about \$4.5 billion according to Forbes, though he claims more. Forbes estimates Clinton to be worth about \$45 million. But the candidate who connects with the widest swath of 'average Americans' (median household income of about \$54,000) will find the clearest path to the Oval Office." <http://apne.ws/274HrVT>

THE MAP -- L.A. Times 2-col. lead, "Can Trump turn any blue states red?" To win in November, the Republican would have to redraw the electoral map," by Mark Z. Barabak in S.F. and David Lauter: "Trump says he can generate a significantly higher turnout of white blue-collar voters, boosting him in Democratic-leaning industrial states, but 'two can play that game,' said Whit Ayres, a Republican pollster who worked for Rubio. 'Given his incredibly derisive comments about Mexicans and other immigrants, it's reasonable to think that there would be an enormous turnout of Hispanics to stop Donald Trump,' Ayres said. If so, Nevada and Colorado - which were expected to be major battlegrounds - could move beyond Trump's reach."

"So would Florida. The 50-50 electorate [in 2000] reflected 'a Florida that's gone now,' said David Johnson, the former executive director of the state GOP. The percentage of whites in the state has declined steadily and huge immigration from economically strapped Puerto Rico has changed Florida's Latino population, once primarily Cuban, to a more Democratic-leaning electorate. In 2012, Johnson noted, Romney carried about 40% of the state's Latino voters and still lost to President Obama by a percentage point."

"The most likely route to a Trump victory runs through the nation's historical industrial belt, from Pennsylvania on to Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin. He would probably need to win each of those states to prevail; all start in the Democratic column, save Ohio, perennial battleground. By emphasizing trade issues in a region that has suffered a steep decline in manufacturing jobs, Trump hopes to spur an enormous turnout of white working-class voters, attracting many who might have sat out previous elections, or voted Democratic."

"Trump may have to fight just to hang on in states that Republicans usually take for granted. Arizona and Georgia both have large and growing minority populations that could make them competitive. Missouri, with one foot in the South and the other in the Midwest, is another state that Obama lost twice that Clinton might be able to put into play." <http://lat.ms/1O82w3q>

--L.A. Times A1, tease: "Vicente Fox backs Hillary Clinton -- Long sympathetic to GOP, former Mexican president sees alarming xenophobia in Trump." <http://lat.ms/1WgE2Yc>

MOTHER'S DAY READ ... NOAH SHACTMAN, Daily Beast executive editor, "The Surreal Story of a Purple-Faced Lady and My Mom's Stolen Jewels: When my mother's rings vanished, the obvious suspect seemed too odd to be a crook." *With a great last graf* <http://thebea.st/1Ztcayn>

-- A two minute C-SPAN clip from Sen. Robert Byrd (D-W.Va.) on the Senate floor May 7, 1998 talking about the importance of mothers. <http://cs.pn/1WSHGQJ>

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LATE NIGHT BEST - "Dana Carvey's Church Lady Returns To Interview Trump and Cruz on SNL": "Church Lady": "Does Donny ever take a gander at the Holy Scripture?"

"Trump" played by Darrell Hammond: "Honestly I love all the books in the Bible, I do. They're all terrific. Corinthians, Part Deux. Two Genesis, Two Furious, which

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says and I quote, 'Love thy neighbor as thyself and like a good neighbor, State Farm is there ' 'And always keep the Sabbath yuge ' That's Moses And the part when Jon Snow [from 'Game of Thrones'] comes back to life That's great Bible " **7-min. video** <http://bit.ly/1Zt3gRj>

MAUREEN DOWD on fire today -- channels next Thursday's Ryan-Trump summit -- "Who's King of the Hill, Donald Trump or Paul Ryan?": "RYAN and Donald Trump sit down to hash out a couple little things, like who is running the party and who is the actual Republican 'Welcome to Washington, Donald,' Ryan says, shaking hands with the presumptuous nominee 'Reince says you're far more gracious in private than in public [Playbook Breakfast!] and I sure hope that's true [T]hanks for not calling me Lyin' Ryan'

"**I never use the same adjective twice,**' Trump replies coolly ' Pious Paul? Pompous Paul? Phony Paul? Back-Stabbing, Blindsiding Paul who hung me out to dry to protect his own presidential ambitions for 2020?'

"**Ryan blanches, protesting:** 'No, no, I just want us to come together with a positive vision ' I am positive,' Trump says, manspreading as party aides cower in the corners Ryan puts on his best altar-boy demeanor, which annoys Trump 'You just make our problem with Hispanics worse when you tweet a picture of yourself eating a taco bowl on Cinco de Mayo ' 'No way, José.' Trump says 'That got 80,000 retweets and 100,000 likes Muy bueno I have eight million Twitter followers You have, like, one million and need two accounts to get there "' <http://nyti.ms/1Xf6mvh>

MOOD MUSIC - Trump statement Friday: "I told Reince that I thought it was totally inappropriate what Paul Ryan said and thought it was good for me politically But Reince feels, and I'm okay with that, that **we should meet before we go our separate ways.** So I guess the meeting will take place and who knows what will happen " <http://wapo.st/1Zt48Fv>

RYAN'S DILEMMA -- WashPost 1-col. lead, "Right faces a 'crisis' in GOP: CONSERVATIVE CORE RESISTS TRUMP - Stalwarts look to defend values beyond election," by Bob Costa and Phil Rucker: "The moment potentially marks the closure of a historic half-century in Republican politics in which conservatives have accrued dominant influence - on Capitol Hill, in gubernatorial mansions, at think tanks, on talk radio and in the grass roots Yet, by taking a stand they see as a stroke of moral clarity, conservative leaders are at risk of separating their coalition from a Republican Party in which voters coast to coast have effectively shifted the center of gravity by choosing Trump

"**Trump and Ryan are miles apart.** Ryan is the architect of sweeping proposed changes to Medicare and Social Security; Trump has pledged not to touch either Ryan supports a muscular foreign policy; Trump is proudly non-interventionist Ryan champions free trade; Trump is an avowed opponent Ryan defends religious freedom; Trump wants to temporarily ban Muslims from entering the country Ryan advocates bipartisan immigration reform and opposes mass deportation; Trump wants to build a wall at the Mexican border and deport the roughly 11 million immigrants who are living in the United States illegally

"**Ryan and his conservative allies** in elected offices nationwide still have a firm grip on the party's governing playbook and institutions But Trump has forced a heated debate over Republican identity and whether it is synonymous with conservatism - a threat to the authority of movement conservatives " <http://wapo.st/1Zt3Aj5>

--**N.Y. Times 1-col. lead, "G.O.P. UNRAVELS AS PARTY FACES TRUMP TAKEOVER: ESTABLISHMENT SHAKEN -- Grass-Roots Movement Builds on Years of Fraying Ties,"** by Pat Healy and Jonathan Martin, with Nick Corasaniti: "Trump leveraged a perfect storm,' said Steve Case, the founder of AOL, in an email message 'A combo of social media (big following), brand (celebrity figure), creativity (pithy tweets), speed/timeliness (dominating news cycles)'

"**For 12 consecutive years,** polls have indicated that Americans believe the country is on the wrong track, and Republicans have been especially vulnerable to a political campaign like Mr Trump's that seeks to channel voter anger " <http://nyti.ms/1Zt6T9P>

SPOTTED : At Peking Gourmet Inn in Falls Church yesterday singing "Happy Co-Birthday" to Justice Elena Kagan and the Post's Ruth Marcus: CIA Deputy Director David Cohen, former FTC Chair Jon Leibowitz, and Tracy's Kids founder Matt Gerson WaPo editor Marty Baron strolling by Le Diplomate Saturday afternoon Bob Schieffer in first class on an American fight from Dallas to DCA yesterday wearing a nice red V-neck sweater, reading papers and a book

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WHITE HOUSE DEPARTURE LOUNGE - Michael Ortiz, senior adviser to the National Security Advisor, emails friends and colleagues: "This was my last week at the White House I joined the Obama Senate office in 2007 and could never have imagined the incredible experience I would have over the next 9 years. It has been the honor of a lifetime to work for President Obama I will be moving to the Department of State to serve as Deputy Coordinator for Countering Violent Extremism in the Bureau of Counterterrorism "

CLICKER - "New Photos Show Bush's Response To 9/11 Attacks," by PBS's Jason M Breslow and Colette Neirouz Hana: "[A] new collection of never-before-seen photographs from that day were released Friday in response to a FOIA request by Colette Neirouz Hanna, coordinating producer for the Kirk Documentary Group, which [is producing the] forthcoming investigation The Secret History of ISIS " **12 pics by Eric Draper on one page** <http://to.pbs.org/1rFM7ZD>

TV TONIGHT - "On Assignment," a special six-episode series from "Dateline NBC," premieres at 7 p m ; the first episode is Cynthia McFadden's interview with Marcel Lehel Lazar, the hacker known as "Guccifer " **1-min. video preview** <http://nbcnews.to/1UJtsYJ> **Release** <http://nbcnews.to/1SYd7ds>

CLICKER - "This is an incredible visualization of the world's shipping routes" - Vox <http://bit.ly/1q77GRL>

GUNS ON TV - "Gun violence gets more nuanced, probing coverage," by AP Television Writer Lynn Elber: "[T]he headline-driven nature of the coverage is starting to shift, with documentary filmmakers, TV networks and others attempting to reach beyond the heat and anger of the moment in search of more nuanced - and sometimes more pointed - scrutiny of a crucial American issue With 'Armed in America,' PBS is giving over much of its prime-time schedule Monday and Tuesday to a pair of documentaries and town-hall discussions

"**Epix's 'Under the Gun,'** debuting [next Sunday] from executive producer Katie Couric and director Stephanie Soechtig, examines why those on opposite sides of stricter gun laws can't find common ground These follow a number of other in-depth projects, including a CNN town hall debate in January in which President Barack Obama discussed his gun control measures and proposals, and HBO's 2015 'Requiem for the Dead: American Spring 2014,' which told the stories of some shooting victims from that period " <http://yhoo.it/1s4Rfr7> **Previews -- "Armed in America"** <http://to.pbs.org/1SYkodM> **"Under the Gun"** <http://bit.ly/24EPGxH>

HOW WE LIVE: 'a stunning reversal of our perceptions of our region several decades ago' - WashPost Business cover, part of "The Divided American Dream" series about home ownership since the crash - "Far from the city, far from recovery: Loudoun County's distant suburbs were the D C area's hottest market - until nightmare commutes and a revitalized District flipped a housing switch," by Jonathan O'Connell and Kathy Orton: "From 2004 through the Great Recession, the values of single-family homes inside the Capital Beltway dramatically outperformed those outside it [W]hite-collar workers and empty-nesters are flocking to walkable and transit-accessible neighborhoods, driving up those home values

"**Investing in the outer suburbs** - with their abundance of spacious homes, good schools and shopping malls - was a rational bet at a time The turnaround began in the District after the Metro transit system expanded and Abe Pollin built MCI Center (now Verizon Center) in Penn Quarter downtown Mixed-use centers boomed at other Metro stations: A Target-anchored mall came to Columbia Heights, and the promise of a streetcar line drew shops and restaurants to H Street NE Apartment and office buildings followed

"**In the District and its close-in environs,** home values soared, with the 20002 Zip code in Northeast Washington rising 91 percent The shift toward inner Washington neighborhoods mirrors those in Boston, Seattle, New York and elsewhere, which also have prospered since the recession People pay a lot of attention these days to what their commute is going to be, where their job is located and how they are going to get to work,' said Sharon Bulova, Fairfax County Board chair since 2009 " <http://wapo.st/1SYbsVM>

BONUS GREAT WEEKEND READS, curated by Daniel Lippman:

--"**You Want a Description of Hell?' Oxycontin's 12-Hour Problem,"** by LATimes' Harriet Ryan, Lisa Girion and Scott Glover: "OxyContin [launched] two decades ago with a bold marketing claim: One dose relieves pain for 12 hours But OxyContin's stunning success masked a fundamental problem: The drug wears off hours early in many people The problem offers new insight into why so many people have become addicted to OxyContin " <http://bit.ly/1TsTJVU> (h/t Longform.org)

– "The Nazi Underground," by Jake Halpern in The New Yorker: "Is treasure buried beneath the mountains of Poland?" <http://bit.ly/1SUNrPv>

– "The Cure for Fear," by Ben Crain in The New Republic: "Scientists have discovered a radical new way to treat our most traumatic memories " <http://bit.ly/23vIv8E>

– "Refuge: One Syrian family's long odyssey to Georgia," by Matthew Shaer in Atlanta Magazine: "Of the 4.5 million Syrians who have fled their nation's bloody civil war, fewer than 3,000 have made it to America. This is one family's story " <http://bit.ly/1UHHMpa>

– "Should Prostitution Be a Crime?" by Emily Bazelon on the cover of today's N.Y. Times Magazine: "A growing movement of sex workers and activists is making the decriminalization of sex work a feminist issue " <http://nyti.ms/1SSNYor> The cover <http://bit.ly/1UFE4HW>

– "Why George Washington Would Have Agreed With Donald Trump," by Michael Hirsh in Politico Magazine: "Watch Out, Hillary: The Founding Fathers would have loved 'America First,' and they might have been right " <http://politi.co/1XbPnIt>

– "It's Been a Year Since DC's Mansion Murders. Why Hasn't Anyone Else Been Arrested?" by Washingtonian's Harry Jaffe: "So many questions remain open. And yet—at least beyond the friends, neighbors, and children in Massachusetts Avenue Heights—the mystery behind what many seasoned cops consider the most gruesome crime against a family in DC history is little discussed " <http://bit.ly/1YdAFPw>

OUT AND ABOUT - Former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright hosted a garden party to celebrate the engagement of Alexis Keslinke, her director of communications at Albright Stonebridge Group, and Tobin Krieg-Huntley of Dexis Consulting Group. Shiner Bock and Long Trail beers were served as a nod to home states of Texas and Vermont. Guests munched on tuna Niçoise sliders, bite-sized bacon and blue cheese sandwiches, tiny fish tacos, and heart-shaped chocolate-covered brownies.

SPOTTED : Elaine Shocas, Jim O'Brien, Melissa Giaimo, Ben Chang, Maks Czuperski, Liza Romanow, Jacob Freedman, Morgan Warners, Amy Celico, Jeff Solnet and Emily Schlichting, Maks Czuperski, Melissa Giaimo, Jacob Freedman and other ASG'ers, family from Texas and Vermont, and a bevy of friends from AU, where they met. [Pics http://bit.ly/1SW9B7e](http://bit.ly/1SW9B7e) <http://bit.ly/1OiN4vZ>

– Friends and colleagues of Sunday Times foreign correspondent Christina Lamb OBE gathered on the rooftop of New York Times editorial board writer Elizabeth Williamson's home to toast the U.S. release of Christina's seventh book, "Farewell Kabul: From Afghanistan to a More Dangerous World." In 2013 she co-authored the autobiography of Malala Yousafzai, "I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up For Education and Was Shot By The Taliban." Based in London, Christina is a global fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. \$14.05 on Amazon <http://amazon.to/1NnIq6a>

– **SPOTTED** : Lynne Weil, Julia Nesheiwat, Ben Chang, Jennifer Griffin and Greg Myre, Caryle Murphy, Denise Couture, Edward Stringer CBE, Tom and Gretchen Toles, Marcus Brauchli and Maggie Farley, Kim Barker, Gabrielle Dockery, Peter Finn and Nora Fitzgerald, Eve Conant, Kristin Roney, Julia Nesheiwat, Mary Beth Sheridan, Deb Horan, Ian Shapira and Caroline Turner, Nicole Gauette, Juliet Eilperin, Toby Hamden, Katy Stech, Jeff Smith, Jennifer Ludden

WEEKEND WEDDING – Nick Schaper and Mary Leschper got hitched on a beautiful rainy Friday night at the Stable at Bluemont Vineyards in Loudoun County, Va. Schaper, president at digital agency Engage and a Chamber and Boehner alum, and Leschper, API digital media manager and a Murkowski alum, met through work and have been together since a Memorial Day first-date brunch at Pearl Dive on 14th Street. Family and friends from Texas, Alaska, Florida, and D.C. celebrated #LeSchaper2016 with local wine and spritzes, swapped fishing stories and embarrassing anecdotes, and danced awkwardly into the night. [Pics http://bit.ly/1rFLPSC](http://bit.ly/1rFLPSC) <http://bit.ly/1UJ5MCs>

WELCOME TO THE WORLD - GMMB's Anson Kaye (a birthday boy today) and Melanie Fonder Kaye, CEO and founder of MFK Strategies and a Jill Biden and GMMB alum, email friends with the subject line "Like the stoic star of a 1950's Western " : "After more than a day of moving at his own unhurried pace, Cooper William Kaye finally ambled into town [Friday] night at 9:48 pm. So far he's been 9 pounds, 12.2 ounces of chunk and 21.5 inches of chill (though the big sisters arrive shortly so we'll see if that sticks.) Mom, of course, is terrific." [Pic http://bit.ly/1QVup9r](http://bit.ly/1QVup9r)

BIRTHDAYS: Amy Little Thomas (peep tips: Autumn, Brian) NYC Mayor Bill de Blasio is 55. Anson Kaye, partner at GMMB. Dave Catanese, senior politics writer at U.S. News and a "Kanye West fanboi/apologist," per his Twitter. Politico Magazine's Manuela Tobias is 21. Reps Vern Buchanan (R-Fla.) and John Moolenaar (R-Mich.). Adam Hitchcock, managing partner at Guggenheim Partners and an Obama alum. Meredy Talbot-Zorn, associate director of policy and advocacy at Save the Children USA. Kim Greenhouse. Stephen Peters, national press secretary at Human Rights Campaign. Chris Megerian, covering 2016 for the L.A. Times.

... Melissa Moss of Moss Advisors. Josh Lockman (h/t Jon Haber). Alix Haber (h/t Bonnie, Jon, Erin and Jay). NBC News' Clare Hiler (h/t Maggie Steenland). CAPer and Hokie Miranda Peterson (h/t DJW). Joan Doty. John Martin, senior health policy advisor for Ark. Gov. Asa Hutchinson and a Tom Cotton alum. Seth Freeland. Mike Neal. Kelley Greenman, OFA alum currently pursuing both a Harvard Biz School and Kennedy School degree. Eileen Davis, co-founder of women-matter.org. Daniel Ki, deputy organizing director at the N.H. Democratic Party and alum of OPE, IGA and Harvard Dems. John Lott, Jr., co-author with Grover Norquist of "Debate". Claire Guthrie Gastanaga, executive director of ACLU of Virginia. Molly Howard, sister of Ben (Kevin McCarthy's Floor Director), aunt of John, and daughter of Jack (SVP of congressional and public affairs at the Chamber). Seth Freeland.

... former Sen. Dennis DeConcini (D-Ariz.). Adam Feiler. Geoffrey Cowan, author of "Let the People Rule: Theodore Roosevelt and the Birth of the Presidential Primary," president of The Annenberg Foundation Trust at Sunnylands (aka Camp David of the West), and former director of VOA, is 74. Sian Wetherill. Cathy Duvall. Shane Grady. Valerie Bhappu. Jim Cope. Heather Handyside. Stephanie Sanchez (h/t's Teresa Vilmain).

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Good Saturday morning from Aspen. THE CONVERSATION: Boehner blinked. A friend who was privy to the Speaker's retirement deliberations tells *Playbook*: "He wanted to avoid winning the [Speaker reelection] vote with help from the Dems [And, indeed, top Dem sources tell us that Pelosi was prepared to supply the votes]. That would have weakened him going forward. Also, his core supporters did not want to have the fight and win but end up weak and divided. It was all about fear of being a weak Speaker depending on D's to hold his spot."

JAKE SHERMAN break: "Illinois Rep. Peter Roskam is trying to force Republicans to hold a closed meeting about the future of the party before a vote on new leadership slate, his first major foray into the internal race consuming the GOP." <http://politi.co/1MPJOMd>

THE BIG PICTURE - "The GOP civil war infects 2016: The internal struggle that helped doom Boehner now bleeds into the presidential race," by Politico's Shane Goldmacher: "When Marco Rubio announced the speaker's retirement from the stage at the Values Voter Summit in Washington, activists whooped and hollered in approval. 'What a great day for America,' David Bossie, president of Citizens United, gushed. Movement leaders and activists see the downfall of the House speaker as a coup that's been years in the making." <http://politi.co/1KJhe9B>

DRAFTKINGS - Playbook tipster on leadership races (w/ Sherman annotation): "McCarthy will win [speakership]. Kevin has the votes, Scalise has more commitments than Cathy [McMorris Rodgers for #2] but he has problems as a fund raiser due to the [David Duke] controversy. Cathy is weak on policy and unproven as a fundraiser, but I would bet she wins the secret ballot [but in a three-way race anything can happen]."

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CLICKER - "The nation's cartoonists on the week in politics," edited by Matt Wuerker - *II keepers* <http://politi.co/1G8nITS>

GREAT WEEKEND READS, curated by Daniel Lippman, filing from New York:

--**"Reclaiming the Congressional Hearing,"** by Tevi Troy in **National Affairs**: "Using the power of television to tell a story is the first lesson of running a successful congressional hearing in the modern era " <http://bit.ly/1KTJc9>

--**"Hit Charade,"** by Nathaniel Rich in **October's Atlantic**: "Meet the bald Norwegians and other unknowns who actually create the songs that top the charts " <http://theatln.tc/1Wmlvay>

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--**"If You Can't Do This Deal ... Go Back to Tehran,"** by Indira A.R. Lakshmanan on the **Friday cover of Politico Magazine**: "The inside story of the Obama administration's Iran diplomacy " <http://politi.co/1LTxgOK>

--**"How Much of Your Audience is Fake?"** by Ben Elgin, Michael Riley, David Kocieniewski, and Joshua Brustein on **Bloomberg BusinessWeek's cover**: "Marketers thought the Web would allow perfectly targeted ads Hasn't worked out that way " <http://bloom.bg/1KyzIM7>

--**"Yogi: What did Berra say, when did he say it and what does it all mean?"** -- "Yogi," by Roy Blount Jr originally ran in the April 2, 1984 issue of Sports Illustrated " <http://on.si.com/1NOji41> (h/t Longform org)

--**"Solving the Perfect Murders of L'Affaire de Chevaline: Part Six,"** by Sean Flynn in **GQ**: "A break in the case reveals the most likely suspect-plus the twist that ties the murders to America " <http://gqm.ag/1KCZbAZ>

THE PRESIDENT'S WEEK AHEAD: "On Sunday, the President will travel to New York City In the afternoon, the President will deliver remarks at the 'Closing Session: Post-2015 Development Agenda in the [U N] General Assembly Hall Afterward, the President will participate in a USUN Mission meet and greet with employees and their families at the U S Mission In the evening, the President will deliver remarks at a DNC LGBT Gala at Gotham Hall On Monday, the President will deliver remarks at the Opening Session: 70th Session of the General Assembly and hold a bilateral meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi of India

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BIRTHDAY TOMORROW: Jeff Birnbaum, president of BGR Public Relations and a longtime D C journalist prior to that, is 59 He was in N Y for meetings, and will celebrate with a look at the start of fall foliage in Central Park

THE SHOWS, from @MattMackowiak, filing from Austin:

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--NBC's "Meet the Press": Carly Fiorina; new NBC News / WSJ poll; Papal biographer George Weigel; roundtable: David Brooks, Andrea Mitchell, Eugene Robinson, Andrew Ross Sorkin

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--CBS's "Face the Nation" : John Boehner; Bernie Sanders; John Kasich; roundtable: Kimberley Strassel, Susan Page, Nancy Cordes and WaPo's Ed O'Keefe

--CNN's "State of the Union" (9am ET / 12pm ET): Nancy Pelosi; Martin O'Malley; Mayor Michael Nutter (D-Philadelphia); Ben Carson; roundtable: Paul Begala, Ana Navarro and Van Jones; roundtable on Papal visit: Father Edward Beck, CNN's John Allen, CNN's Delia Gallagher and Father James Martin

--Fox News' "Sunday Morning Futures" (10am ET / 9am CT): Jon Huntsman; Kareem Abdul-Jabbar; Byron York; roundtable: Ed Rollins, Judith Miller and WSJ's Mary Kissel

--Fox News' "MediaBuzz" (11am ET / 10am CT): Roundtable: Susan Ferrechio, Kathleen Parker, NDN's Simon Rosenberg, The Holy See Secretariat of State senior adviser for communications Greg Burke, Mercedes Schlapp and Sister Simone Campbell

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--Univision's "Al Punto" (SUN 10am ET / 1pm PT) Luis Gutiérrez and Carlos Curbelo; Univision News' Mari a Antonieta Collins; composer and singer Juanes; former Mexican Foreign Affairs Secretary and Univision's Jorge Castañeda; Mexican journalist Luis Cardona

--C-SPAN: "Newsmakers" (SUN 10am ET): U S Rep. Bill Flores (R-TX) "Q&A" (SUN 8pm & 11pm ET and MON 6am ET): NBC 4 (Washington, DC) reporter Tom Sherwood

--PBS's "To the Contrary" with Bonnie Erbé: Roundtable: Catholic Women's Forum's Mary Rice Hasson, Politini host Danielle Moodie-Mills, former Women's Campaign Fund president Siobhan "Sam" Bennett, GOP strategist Jennifer Higgins and Washington Examiner Watchdog reporter Sarah Westwood

--NPR "Weekend Edition Sunday" (SUN 8am-10am ET): Guest host: NPR's Rachel Martin: Iranian President Hassan Rouhani (preview of interview with NPR's Steve Inskeep airing 9/28); "For The Record" segment on work-life balance with Anne Marie Slaughter and Andrew Moravcsik; former Ambassador to Russia Michael McFaul; DataLab's Mona Chalabi discusses the 34 class action lawsuits filed against Volkswagen this week; NPR international correspondents Carrie Kahn (Mexico), and Philip Reeves (Islamabad); Lizzie Velasquez, the subject of the new documentary, *A Brave Heart*; author Yeonmi Park (*In Order to Live: A North Korean Girl's Journey to Freedom*); musician Liz Vice (*There's A Light*); The Selecter bandmates Pauline Black and Arthur "Gaps" Hendrickson (*Subculture*); Slate podcaster and sports commentator Mike Pesca

--WUSA 9 "Capital Download" with Derek McGinty and Susan Page: (SUN 8:30am ET): Martin O'Malley; Susan B. Anthony List's Mallory Quigley; roundtable: The Baltimore Sun's John Fritze and WaPo's Rebecca Sinderbrand

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THE BIG PICTURE - "The GOP civil war infects 2016: The internal struggle that helped doom Boehner now bleeds into the presidential race," by Politico's Shane Goldmacher: "When Marco Rubio announced the speaker's retirement from the stage at the Values Voter Summit in Washington, activists whooped and hollered in approval. 'What a great day for America,' David Bossie, president of Citizens United, gushed. Movement leaders and activists see the downfall of the House speaker as a coup that's been years in the making." <http://politi.co/1KJhe9B>

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--**FEAST FACT:** WashPost food writer Tim Carman, on the cover of Style, compares menus for all nine Obama state dinners: "[B]eef has been served as a main course at six state dinners " <http://wapo.st/1VgRfvd>

--**The [Vera Wang] Dress Michelle Obama Wore For A State Dinner Will Give You Life** a stunning black number " <http://bzfd.it/1Fouleo>

PAPAL PLAYBOOK: Flies from JFK to Philly at 8:40 a.m - Philly Inquirer banner, "Challenge to the World: Francis tells U N assembly to guard environment, aid the poor: Largely adoring crowds greeted him at most N Y stops - a precursor to what awaits him this weekend in Philadelphia," by David O'Reilly at the U N : "Speaking in his native Spanish, his message was more fluid -- and at times more pointed -- than the unprecedented address he gave in halting English to Congress on Thursday

"Despite its good work and worthy goals, he reminded the General Assembly, there are 'many victims of badly exercised power ' He cited two: ecology and the very poor " <http://bit.ly/1KIXe71>

--**SOCIAL POPE -- Per Facebook:** From Wednesday through all of his events in NYC yesterday, the Pope's visit to the United States had 18 million people on Facebook making 43 million posts, comments, and likes

--**FEEDING FRANCIS:** "Here are the menus of the meals served during his 40-hour stay in New York City, prepared by chef Lidia Bastianich Each is accompanied by wines produced at the Bastianich family vineyards in Italy " <http://bit.ly/1KB9Dw4>

--**N.Y. POST cover**, "GO WITH GOD! Francis leaves NY in joy" - shows a jovial Pope facing a cluster of smartphones **See the cover** <http://bit.ly/1uTkjZw>

CLICKER - "The nation's cartoonists on the week in politics," edited by Matt Wuerker - *II keepers* <http://politi.co/1G8nITS>

GREAT WEEKEND READS, curated by Daniel Lippman, filing from New York:

--**"Reclaiming the Congressional Hearing,"** by Tevi Troy in **National Affairs**: "Using the power of television to tell a story is the first lesson of running a successful congressional hearing in the modern era " <http://bit.ly/1KTJc9>

--**"Hit Charade,"** by Nathaniel Rich in **October's Atlantic**: "Meet the bald Norwegians and other unknowns who actually create the songs that top the charts " <http://theatln.tc/1Wmlvay>

--**"The Avenger,"** by Patrick Radden Keefe in **The New Yorker**: "After three decades, has the brother of a victim of the Lockerbie bombing solved the case?" <http://nyr.kr/1jgI8ii>

--**"If You Can't Do This Deal ... Go Back to Tehran,"** by Indira A.R. Lakshmanan on the **Friday cover of Politico Magazine**: "The inside story of the Obama administration's Iran diplomacy " <http://politi.co/1LTxgOK>

--**"How Much of Your Audience is Fake?"** by Ben Elgin, Michael Riley, David Kocieniewski, and Joshua Brustein on **Bloomberg BusinessWeek's cover**: "Marketers thought the Web would allow perfectly targeted ads Hasn't worked out that way " <http://bloom.bg/1KyzIM7>

--**"Yogi: What did Berra say, when did he say it and what does it all mean?"** -- "Yogi," by Roy Blount Jr originally ran in the April 2, 1984 issue of Sports Illustrated " <http://on.si.com/1NOji41> (h/t Longform org)

--**"Solving the Perfect Murders of L'Affaire de Chevaline: Part Six,"** by Sean Flynn in **GQ**: "A break in the case reveals the most likely suspect-plus the twist that ties the murders to America " <http://gqm.ag/1KCZbAZ>

THE PRESIDENT'S WEEK AHEAD: "On Sunday, the President will travel to New York City In the afternoon, the President will deliver remarks at the 'Closing Session: Post-2015 Development Agenda in the [U N] General Assembly Hall Afterward, the President will participate in a USUN Mission meet and greet with employees and their families at the U S Mission In the evening, the President will deliver remarks at a DNC LGBT Gala at Gotham Hall On Monday, the President will deliver remarks at the Opening Session: 70th Session of the General Assembly and hold a bilateral meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi of India

"In the afternoon, the President will attend a luncheon hosted by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki Moon and host a Peacekeeping Summit Afterward, the President will hold a bilateral meeting with President Vladimir Putin of Russia In the evening, the President will deliver remarks at a reception for foreign heads of delegations to the United Nations General Assembly The First Lady will also attend

"On Tuesday, the President will chair the Leaders' Summit on Countering ISIL and Countering Violent Extremism In the afternoon, the President and First Lady will return to Washington On Wednesday, the President will deliver remarks to state legislators at the White House "

BIRTHDAYS : Doug Sosnik (hat tip: Harris) Sam Myers Sr , the V P 's Trip Director and presidential advance Jedi Master, is 65 (h/t Sam Jr) WashPost's Dave Weigel, the pride of Wilmington Winnie Madikizela-Mandela is 79 Christie Todd Whitman is 69 former Arizona governor Jan Brewer is 71 Elizabeth Arzt, a Udall alum Rep Beto O'Rourke (D-Tex) Politico's Jessica Bakeman Statler Nagle's favorite Arizonan Jon Rosborough is 31 and as a regular at Jazz Fest in NOLA, he'll be jammin' to Rebirth Brass Band at the Landmark Music Festival Mark Isakowitz, Sen Portman's COS (h/t Caitlin Conant) Erin Cunningham, fashion editor at Refinery29 and a Daily Beast alum Roy Hodson, political junkie, and incredible father of Nate Hodson of House Republican Conference and Redeemer Arlington Republican strategist Mark Isakowitz

... Henry Seltzer Mackenzie Smith, a Gavin Newsom alum Alexander Howe, account director at fama PR in Boston and a Global Strategy Group and Fenton alum Sarah Crawford Stewart, president of b-fresh consulting and a McCain, Pawlenty and Huntsman alum Sam Drzymala, digital director for Sen. Cory Booker and an American Bridge alum Frank Guinta Ben Freed, Washingtonian staff writer Matt McKillip, senior advisor at the NC Dept of HHS and an AEI alum John Fitzpatrick at Stratacomm Frank Guinta Mary Claire Murphy John Law John Norris Ken Trautmann (h/t's Teresa Vilmain) Bob Nash Greg Lorjeste, associate director of scheduling at the White House Eric Stepney David Livingstone Smith Missy Edwards, a Thad Cochran alum Ian Rose Risa Heller Andrew Goldston Steve Janack retired baseball All-Star Bobby Shantz is 90 Olivia Newton-John is 67 Melissa Sue Anderson is 53 Serena Williams is 34 (h/ts AP)

BIRTHDAY TOMORROW: Jeff Birnbaum, president of BGR Public Relations and a longtime D C journalist prior to that, is 59 He was in N Y for meetings, and will celebrate with a look at the start of fall foliage in Central Park

THE SHOWS, from @MattMackowiak, filing from Austin:

--"Fox News Sunday" : Jeb Bush; Tom Cole; Mick Mulvaney; roundtable: George Will, Anne Gearan, Heritage Action's Michael Needham and Juan Williams; "Power Player of the Week" with Glenn L. Martin Wind Tunnel director Dr. Jewel Barlow

--NBC's "Meet the Press": Carly Fiorina; new NBC News / WSJ poll; Papal biographer George Weigel; roundtable: David Brooks, Andrea Mitchell, Eugene Robinson, Andrew Ross Sorkin

--ABC's "This Week": Ben Carson; Samantha Power; Devin Nunes; Newt Gingrich; roundtable: Matthew Dowd, Bill Kristol, Donna Brazile and Robert Costa

--CBS's "Face the Nation" : John Boehner; Bernie Sanders; John Kasich; roundtable: Kimberley Strassel, Susan Page, Nancy Cordes and WaPo's Ed O'Keefe

--CNN's "State of the Union" (9am ET / 12pm ET): Nancy Pelosi; Martin O'Malley; Mayor Michael Nutter (D-Philadelphia); Ben Carson; roundtable: Paul Begala, Ana Navarro and Van Jones; roundtable on Papal visit: Father Edward Beck, CNN's John Allen, CNN's Delia Gallagher and Father James Martin

--Fox News' "Sunday Morning Futures" (10am ET / 9am CT): Jon Huntsman; Kareem Abdul-Jabbar; Byron York; roundtable: Ed Rollins, Judith Miller and WSJ's Mary Kissel

--Fox News' "MediaBuzz" (11am ET / 10am CT): Roundtable: Susan Ferrechio, Kathleen Parker, NDN's Simon Rosenberg, The Holy See Secretariat of State senior adviser for communications Greg Burke, Mercedes Schlapp and Sister Simone Campbell

--CNN's "Inside Politics" with John King (SUN 8:30am ET): Roundtable: Robert Costa, Manu Raju, Jackie Kucinich and Margaret Talev

--CNN's "Fareed Zakaria GPS": (SUN 10am ET / 1pm ET): Bill Clinton

--Univision's "Al Punto" (SUN 10am ET / 1pm PT) Luis Gutiérrez and Carlos Curbelo; Univision News' Mari a Antonieta Collins; composer and singer Juanes; former Mexican Foreign Affairs Secretary and Univision's Jorge Castañeda; Mexican journalist Luis Cardona

--C-SPAN: "Newsmakers" (SUN 10am ET): U S Rep. Bill Flores (R-TX) "Q&A" (SUN 8pm & 11pm ET and MON 6am ET): NBC 4 (Washington, DC) reporter Tom Sherwood

--PBS's "To the Contrary" with Bonnie Erbé: Roundtable: Catholic Women's Forum's Mary Rice Hasson, Politini host Danielle Moodie-Mills, former Women's Campaign Fund president Siobhan "Sam" Bennett, GOP strategist Jennifer Higgins and Washington Examiner Watchdog reporter Sarah Westwood

--NPR "Weekend Edition Sunday" (SUN 8am-10am ET): Guest host: NPR's Rachel Martin: Iranian President Hassan Rouhani (preview of interview with NPR's Steve Inskeep airing 9/28); "For The Record" segment on work-life balance with Anne Marie Slaughter and Andrew Moravcsik; former Ambassador to Russia Michael McFaul; DataLab's Mona Chalabi discusses the 34 class action lawsuits filed against Volkswagen this week; NPR international correspondents Carrie Kahn (Mexico), and Philip Reeves (Islamabad); Lizzie Velasquez, the subject of the new documentary, *A Brave Heart*; author Yeonmi Park (*In Order to Live: A North Korean Girl's Journey to Freedom*); musician Liz Vice (*There's A Light*); The Selecter bandmates Pauline Black and Arthur "Gaps" Hendrickson (*Subculture*); Slate podcaster and sports commentator Mike Pesca

--WUSA 9 "Capital Download" with Derek McGinty and Susan Page: (SUN 8:30am ET): Martin O'Malley; Susan B. Anthony List's Mallory Quigley; roundtable: The Baltimore Sun's John Fritze and WaPo's Rebecca Sinderbrand

--SiriusXM's "No Labels Radio" (SUN 6am ET & 9pm ET): Co-hosted by Jon Huntsman and Steve Odland: Richard Haass; Tim Ryan; Bill Richardson; No Labels National Field Director Anthony Pignelli

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ZEITGEIST - "Letter from Florida: An Orlando America Doesn't Know -- The shooting hit a city riding the crest of a wave," by Michael Grunwald in Miami: "Orlando is about to become a symbol again, not of fantasy and escape, but of America's cultural, political and actual wars over terrorism and guns. Crime had been falling steadily here for years before the massacre-along with unemployment, teen pregnancy, and just about every other social ill" <http://politi.co/1trOkj>

HUGH HEWITT tells Chuck Todd on "Meet the Press" that yesterday's tragedy "strengthens the case" for Chris Christie or Sen. Tom Cotton (R-Ark.), a combat veteran, as Trump V P

THE MORNING AFTER - "Obama confronts a 'lone wolf' attack - again: The administration has repeatedly warned about self-radicalized terrorists, but struggled to stop them," by Michael Crowley: "Obama has promoted a 'countering violent extremism' agenda aimed at blunting the spread of radical ideology that leads to terrorist attacks. That has included a strategy to combat ISIL propaganda on Twitter - one that critics have blasted as embarrassing and ineffective, and which the administration revamped in January" <http://politi.co/21hB5Ww>

LINGO ... "known wolf": a lone wolf who has been on the radar of law enforcement (apparently including Omar Mateen)

N.Y. DAILY NEWS cover, "THANKS, NRA: Because of your continued opposition to an assault rifle ban, terrorists like this lunatic can LEGALLY buy a killing machine" <http://nydn.us/vp5qdB> **N.Y. POST cover,** in bright-red ink, "ISIS VS US" <http://nyp.st/1XiD9Pi>

TRUMP TWEETS: "What has happened in Orlando is just the beginning. Our leadership is weak and ineffective. I called it and asked for the ban. Must be tough [22,726 retweets, 55,628 likes]. Reporting that Orlando killer shouted 'Allah hu Akbar!' as he slaughtered clubgoers. Is President Obama going to finally mention the words radical Islamic terrorism? If he doesn't he should immediately resign in disgrace!"

"Appreciate the congrats for being right on radical Islamic terrorism, I don't want congrats, I want toughness & vigilance. We must be smart!"

CLINTON statement: "This was an act of terror. This was also an act of hate. The gunman attacked an LGBT nightclub during Pride Month. [W]e need to keep guns like the ones used last night out of the hands of terrorists or other violent criminals. [I]t reminds us once more that weapons of war have no place on our streets." **Full statement** <http://bit.ly/1UpKive>

DRIVING THE DAY ... TRUMP'S VICTORY LAP: "The presumptive GOP nominee failed to meet the moment after Orlando," by Glenn Thrush: "The two presidential candidates, one who whispered and one who roared, will engage directly on Monday. Clinton has canceled her first dual campaign appearance with Obama in Wisconsin on Wednesday and is expected to deliver more extensive remarks on Orlando today. Trump scrapped a scheduled Monday rally in New Hampshire to deliver an address dealing with 'the serious threats facing all Americans' at [Saint Anselm College in Manchester]."

"They both will confront an attack in Orlando, Disney's town, that is as hard to comprehend politically as it is to absorb emotionally - an atrocity that defies the easy political pigeonholing candidates and reporters crave. The shooter was inspired by ISIS, but he was a New York-born American citizen who spoke unaccented English and led a middle-class life. And while Omar Mateen was clearly motivated by his faith, he was also impelled by raw bigotry - reportedly targeting a gay night club because he was disgusted by the sight of men kissing men." <http://politi.co/1U8KKJg>

--@GlennThrush: "No one plays a winning hand worse than Trump."

--DAVID REMNICK on NewYorker.com, "Trump's Exploitation of Orlando": "[W]hen faced with the path of modesty and the path of dark opportunism, he has chosen the latter." <http://bit.ly/1U8H6Ws>

TRUMP, CLINTON "Contrasts in Orlando response," by AP White House Correspondent Julie Pace: "Trump is more blatant than most in connecting his electoral prospects to incidents of unimaginable suffering. Shortly after last year's deadly attacks in Paris, Trump said, 'Whenever there's a tragedy, everything goes up, my numbers go way up because we have no strength in this country. We have weak, sad politicians.'"

"Clinton, who is more schooled in the political customs of responding to tragedies from her years as a senator and secretary of state, was careful in her initial comments. Like Obama, Clinton prefers to avoid early missteps even if that leaves her looking overly cautious. On Sunday, she waited for the president to declare the shooting an 'act of terror' before doing the same." <http://apne.ws/1tr8FPx>

--WSJ A1, below fold, "Shooting Heightens Trump-Clinton Divide," by Peter Nicholas, with Alan Cullison (online: "Terrorism Again Thrust Into Presidential Politics"): "Trump has ground to make up when it comes to persuading voters he would do a better job than Mrs. Clinton keeping the nation safe. A Wall Street Journal/NBC News poll last month showed that registered voters believed by a 10-point margin [she] would be a better commander-in-chief."

"Not since 2004, when Osama bin Laden issued a videotape weeks before the contest between President George W. Bush and John Kerry, has terror been such a prominent campaign issue, said Bruce Hoffman, a terrorism expert at Georgetown. It's in the interests of these groups to provoke polarization in our society." <http://on.wsj.com/1tr9AiW>

** A message from the Coalition for Fiscal and National Security: Strength at Home and Abroad: Mullen, Albright, Brzezinski, Gates, Kissinger, Panetta, Paulson and more unite to emphasize the fundamental link between America's long-term fiscal health and national security. Respected bipartisan group highlights fiscal sustainability and economic growth as foundation for continued global leadership in changing security environment. Read more: <http://bit.ly/CFNS2016> **

HOT VIDEO - "Watch Lin-Manuel Miranda pay tribute via sonnet to the victims of the Orlando shootings" while accepting Tony for Best Score of a Musical, one of 11 Tonys for "Hamilton" - *1-min. video* <http://bit.ly/1UdEaom>

PRESIDENT OBAMA statement yesterday in the briefing room: "This massacre is a further reminder of how easy it is for someone to get their hands on a weapon that lets them shoot people in a school, or in a house of worship, or a movie theater, or in a nightclub. And we have to decide if that's the kind of country we want to be. And to actively do nothing is a decision as well." **Video and transcript** <http://1.usa.gov/24L2YqX>

--@markknoller: "By my count, this will be at least the 20th time Pres Obama has [made] a statement about a shooting incident."

RYAN LIZZA in The New Yorker, "Occupied Territory: The Republican elite struggles over whether to resist Trump or capitulate": "If Trump is defeated, another Republican may prove able to resurrect aspects of his economic populism and his more generous view of the role of government, and combine them with the more inclusive language recommended by the Party establishment. If that happens-if Cotton, Ryan, or another canny young conservative becomes the Nixon to Trump's Goldwater-then we will remember Trump for reintroducing overt racism into mainstream politics and for imbuing the Republican Party with a new economic populism." <http://bit.ly/234b3Y9>

KEN BURNS' scorching commencement address to Stanford yesterday, "As a student of history, I recognize this type. These virulent strains that have at times infected us in the past. But they now loom in front of us again--all happening at once. We know from our history books that these are the diseases of ancient and now fallen empires. The sense of commonwealth, of shared sacrifice, of trust, so much a part of American life, is eroding fast." **Transcript** <http://bit.ly/1XiEqJ> **Video** <http://bit.ly/1tDcgZ>

ORLANDO SENTINEL front page is a lone photo and an editorial, "OUR COMMUNITY WILL HEAL," surrounded by white space, with #OrlandoUnited at bottom: "As terror has struck other cities around the world in recent months-Paris, Brussels, San Bernardino-our shock and anger have been mixed with a growing sense of unease Orlando, as one of the world's most popular and iconic destinations for travelers, and a community that proudly cherishes its diversity, has long been considered a high-value target for would-be terrorists Now it appears our worst fears have been realized " <http://bit.ly/25SyWqX> See the page. <http://bit.ly/1UN33EL>

--**"Why Orlando Sentinel front page looks different,"** by Managing Editor John Cutter: "We are not the first newspaper to go with a non-traditional front page in a tragedy And, we fear, we might not be the last " <http://bit.ly/1tzDhu>

HEADLINES: USA Today banner, "MASSACRE" (London) Daily Telegraph 5-col lead, "Isil wages war on gays in West" N.Y. Times 2-line banner, "PRAISING ISIS, GUNMAN ATTACKS GAY NIGHTCLUB, LEAVING 50 DEAD IN WORST SHOOTING ON U.S. SOIL: 'We Will Not Give In to Fear,' Obama Says as Florida Aches" WSJ 5-col lead, "A Night of Terror in Orlando" L.A. Times banner, quoting Obama, "AN ACT OF TERROR AND ACT OF HATE" Chicago Tribune banner, "Act of terror hate" Tampa Bay Times, "THE WORST Mass Shooting in U.S. History "

--**N.Y. Times Quotation of the Day -- RAY RIVERA**, a DJ at the Orlando club where 50 people were killed in the nation's worst mass shooting: "I saw bodies on the floor, people on the floor everywhere It was a chaos, everybody trying to get out "

CLICKER -- "Here Are The Victims Who Have Been Identified" <http://bzfd.it/1Po2TJJ>

TOP TALKER - "Pelosi may have shot at regaining post as House speaker, Dems say," by S.F. Chronicle's Carolyn Lochhead in D.C.: "Democrats need a net gain of 30 seats to retake the majority, and they are far from confident they can do it, but for the name at the top of the Republican ticket Nathan Gonzales, editor and publisher of the nonpartisan Rothenberg & Gonzales Political Report, projects right now that Democrats will come up short of a House majority " <http://bit.ly/1U8MZTK>

THOUGHT LEADERS - HENRY BLODGET on LinkedIn, "Time for a better capitalism": "Over the past few decades, the US economy has undergone a profound change This change has helped rich Americans get richer But it has also contributed to growing income inequality and the decline of the middle class And, in so doing, it has fueled populist anger across the political spectrum and slowed the growth of the economy as a whole What is this change? The complete embrace of the idea that the only mission of companies is to maximize profit for their shareholders " <http://bit.ly/1PWEEkg>

HAPPENING TODAY - Steny "Hoyer to Announce House Democrats' Updated Make It In America Plan": "This announcement follows multiple hearings at the Capitol and around the country to solicit feedback from workers, employers, economists, labor, education leaders, and others about how the economy has changed since the Make It In America plan was initially launched in 2010 [10 a.m.] announcement will take place at the grand opening of The Foundry, located at Port Covington, just south of Baltimore's downtown "

HAPPENING TONIGHT - "CNN president Jeff Zucker will host an invite-only screening of the new CNN Original Series, 'Declassified: Untold Stories of American Spies,' tonight at the Newseum Following the screening, CNN's Wolf Blitzer will moderate a panel recapping the episode and discussing covert operations around the world with former chairman of the House Intelligence Committee Mike Rogers, retired senior CIA officer Mark Kelton, retired KGB major general Oleg Kalugin, and former CIA case officer Marti Peterson The eight-part series debuts Sunday, June 19, at 10 p.m. ET/PT on CNN Each episode features a newly declassified mission told firsthand by the agents who lived it " **Trailer** <http://cnn.it/25SB8yt>

PLAYBOOK METRO SECTION -- "No need to break in': The Watergate Hotel reopens its doors after nine years," by WashPost's Abha Bhattarai: "[H]ailed as a trophy hotel when it opened in 1967 with an indoor swimming pool and views of the Potomac River, the Watergate had fallen into disrepair and has remained vacant since 2007 [But] the hotel [is reopening] after a six-year, \$125 million renovation 85 guest rooms, 17,000 square feet of meeting space and a rooftop bar Its grand opening is scheduled for [tomorrow]

"**Among the Watergate's amenities** are a restaurant, spa, swimming pool, whiskey bar and cigar lounge Much of the furniture throughout the property has been custom-made to look like it's from the 1960s, and employee uniforms were created by 'Mad Men' costume designer Janie Bryant Guest key cards say 'No need to break in,' in a nod to the Watergate burglary scandal " <http://wapo.st/25WOOW2>

FIRST LOOK -- "New Report Finds Freight Railroads Greatly Impact National, Local Economies" -- release: "The Association of American Railroads (AAR) released today its second 'State of the Industry Report' of 2016, featuring new research that finds spending by the seven largest U.S. railroads created \$274 billion in economic activity, generated nearly \$33 billion in state and federal tax revenues and supported nearly 1.5 million jobs nationally in 2014 alone " <http://politi.co/1UpGJ8p> www.aar.org/report-2

WEEKEND WEDDING -- "Meghan Dubyak, Timothy Belknap" - N.Y. Times: "Dubyak, 33, is the press secretary to Vice President Joseph R. Biden She graduated from Cornell Belknap, 34, is an associate at the Washington law firm Weisbrod Matteis & Copley He graduated from Ohio University and received a law degree from the Catholic University of America The couple met in June 2013 at a backyard barbecue in Washington " <http://nyti.ms/1OjwdyN>

SPORTS BLINK - N.Y. Daily News Sports back, "PENS ARE MIGHTIEST" Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, "CHAMPS: Penguins [Pittsburgh native David Morehouse - a Clinton, Gore and Kerry alumnus -- is CEO/President] claim fourth Stanley Cup with 3-1 win over [San Jose] Sharks " <http://bit.ly/1dDB2L>

BIRTHWEEK (was yesterday): Jeani Murray Peter Schechter Jack Wetzberger Travis Worl Jon Green Kate Vilsack Hayley Alexander, professional staff for the majority on Senate Appropriations Energy & Water and CIS, turned 27, celebrating by finishing a 100 cookie order of Minions & Olaf (Frozen) cookies for her side (and highly recommended) business, House of Crumbs, this morning (h/t Stephanie Allen) Eli Glazier of urban planning firm Toole Design (h/t Ashley Gold)

BIRTHDAYS: Politico's Eli Stokols, the pride of Irvine, Calif. and erstwhile Mile High resident, who is "Covering the election Seeing the country Eating the sandwiches," per his Facebook And, according to Bobby Moran, one of the most valuable players on Politico's media-league softball team Jimmy Orr (hat tip: Taylor Gross) L.A. Times political writer Seema Mehta, a wannabe golfer U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon is 72 Mike Norton, Arkansas, Truman/Marshall Scholar and former Hill intern (h/t Isaac Foley) Katie Biber Chen, so short but looms so large, Romney/GC and Bush 43 alum now general counsel at Thumtack in San Francisco, celebrating a birthday unlike any other in DC with husband, Mark (h/ts Andrew, David and Sarah Isgur Flores) John Del Cecato, partner at AKPD Message and Media Cathy McLaughlin (h/ts Teresa Vilmain) Marissa Shorestein, president of AT&T New York (h/ts Kerri Lyon and Hilary Rosenberg)

... **Rep. Jerry Nadler** (D-N.Y.) is 69 (h/t James Owens) Politico's Margaret McGill and William Lewallen Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) is 79 Leslie Hagar Small, alum of Laura Bush, Team Mitch and Jeb WSJ alum Andrew Grossman, now a student at Wharton Charlie Nichols is 14 Michelle Lee of WaPo's Fact-Checker blog (h/t Seung Min Kim) NBC4's Eun Yang R. Brian Lewis, a good man from Nebraska Ryan Mannion (we jumped the gun yesterday) Kirtan Mehta Lauren Mehta, managing counsel for advocacy initiatives at Wounded Warrior Project in Jacksonville, Fla. and former counsel to Sen. Sanders Catherine McLaughlin, executive director of Harvard's Institute of Politics Sagar Vachhani, a Romney alum and now equity research associate in internet and digital media at SunTrust Robinson Humphrey Alex Marino of Civis Analytics, an OFA alum Andrew Lavigne

... **Judge Neil Cohen** (h/t wife Susan Sher) Sarah Hurwitz Margaret Shepard, managing director of 1776 and a U.S. Chamber alum (h/t the lounge at Four Seasons) Genger Charles, general deputy assistant secretary of the Federal Housing Administration Patrick G. Cronin, legislative aide in the NY State Senate and Billy Joel aficionado Michelle Korsmo, CEO of the American Land Title Association Patrick McGill, senior associate at Precision Network and a VA Dems and Ned Lamont alum, is 3-0 Bill Buck, comms whiz and founder of Americans for the Protection of Children, is 48 John Eddy, partner at SourceRock Partners Jeff Siegel, senior policy analyst and lead negotiator for financial services in Treasury's Office of International Trade, is 4-0 Junheng Li of JL Warren Capital Rick Weidman, executive director for policy and gov't affairs of Vietnam Veterans of America, is 7-0 Tony Varona of AU's law school Neil Bernstein is 5-0 WTOP's Brian Olinger Hannah Storm actor Bob McGrath is 84 artist Christo is 81 Siegfried (Siegfried & Roy) is 77 comedian Tim Allen is 63 Ally Sheedy is 54 Hannah Storm is 54 Rivers Cuomo (Weezer) is 46 Steve-O is 42 Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen are 30 DJ/producer Gesaffelstein is 29 (h/ts AP)

**** A message from the Coalition for Fiscal and National Security:** The Coalition for Fiscal and National Security is chaired by Admiral Mike Mullen, and includes Albright, Baker, Brzezinski, Chertoff, Gates, Hadley, Hagel, Hamilton, Hayden, Kissinger, Napolitano, Nunn, O'Neill, Panetta, Paulson, Ridge, Scowcroft, Shultz, Volcker, Warner, and Zoellick This bipartisan group has released a new statement to draw our country's attention to the fact that America's global leadership requires a foundation of fiscal sustainability and economic growth, and to the urgent need to update and reprioritize our defense and foreign policy strategies to reflect a changing security environment The Coalition is convened by the Peter G. Peterson Foundation Read more: <http://bit.ly/CFNS2016> **

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