



Pictures of some of the 156 people who are still missing after the collapse of the Champlain Towers South complex in Surfside, Fla.

'Major' Concrete Damage Was Cited in 2018 Report On South Florida Towers

Cause of Collapse Remains Unknown — County to Audit Older Buildings

This article is by Mike Baker, Anjali Singhvi and Patricia Muzzei.

Three years before the deadly collapse of the Champlain Towers South condominium complex near Miami, a consultant found alarming evidence of "major structural damage" to the concrete slab below the pool deck and "abundant" cracking and crumbling of the columns, beams and walls of the parking garage under the 13-story building.

The engineer's report helped shape plans for a multimillion-dollar repair project that was set to get underway soon — more than two and a half years after the building managers were warned — but the building suffered a catastrophic collapse in the middle of the night on Thursday, crushing sleeping residents in a massive heap of debris.

The complex's management association had disclosed some of the problems in the wake of the collapse, but it was not until city officials released the 2018 report late Friday that the full nature of the concrete and rebar damage — most of it probably caused by persistent water leaks and years of exposure to the corrosive salt air along the South Florida coast — became chillingly apparent.

"Though some of this damage is minor, most of the concrete deterioration needs to be repaired in a timely fashion," the consultant, Frank Morabito, wrote about damage near the base of the structure as part of his October 2018 report on the 40-year-old building in Surfside, Fla. He gave no indication that the structure was at risk of collapse, though he noted that the needed repairs would be aimed at "maintaining the struc-

tural integrity" of the building and its 136 units.

In a statement on Saturday, Mr. Morabito's firm, Morabito Consulting, said it provided the condo association with both an assessment of the "extensive and necessary repairs" needed and an estimate of how much they would cost.

"Among other things, our report detailed significant cracks and breaks in the concrete, which required repairs to ensure the safety of the residents and the public," the statement said.

Emails show that the secretary of the condo association forwarded the report to an official in the town's building department on Nov. 13, 2018. The town did not disclose any further correspondence related to the report.

Mayor Charles W. Burkett of Surfside said on Saturday he did not know what, if any, steps were

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Debris removal was hampered by fires burning underneath.

Biden's Efforts At Race Equity Run Into Snags

This article is by Michael D. Shear, Stacy Cowley and Alan Rupprecht.

WASHINGTON — Since taking office 158 days ago, President Biden has promised to put racial equity at the center of everything he does, pledging in an executive order on Day 1 to take a "systematic approach to embedding fairness in decision-making" as he drafts legislation, hires staff, proposes spending and develops regulations.

But his efforts — which could radically realign the distribution of federal money and benefits in favor of people of color and other underserved communities — are running into legal and political obstacles.

In late May, Syovata Edari, the owner of CocoVaa Chocolatier in Madison, Wis., was told she would receive \$50,000 from Mr. Biden's government, courtesy of the president's efforts to ensure that pandemic relief aid for struggling restaurants and food businesses would be distributed equitably.

But three weeks later, she instead received an email that broke the bad news: The award had been rescinded thanks to a lawsuit filed on behalf of white restaurant owners that successfully challenged the program's policy of prioritizing applications from women and people of color. The check she was counting on would not arrive.

"It doesn't surprise me that once again these laws that we fought and died for, that were intended to benefit us — to even the playing field a bit more — are being used against us," Ms. Edari, who is Black, said, referring to the Constitution's equal protection clause. "You can't promise something and then take it back."

No part of Mr. Biden's agenda has been as ambitious as his attempt to embrace racial considerations when making decisions. It pushes against limits set by the Supreme Court, which say programs based on race must be "narrowly tailored" to accomplish a "compelling governmental interest." And it ignites passions at a time when Democrats hold the narrowest majority in Congress

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Online Trickery in Fund-Raising Entraps Seniors

By SHANE GOLDMACHER

William W. Vaughan Jr. was a senior atmospheric scientist at NASA during the space race and later an accomplished academic, but as with so many aging Americans, time and technology had sapped him of some of his savvy, especially online.

Computers made him feel "like a duck out of water," his son Steve Vaughan said. So when Steve was sorting through the elder Mr. Vaughan's papers after his death at 90 in December, he was unsettled by what he found on his father's final credit card bill.

The first item was familiar: \$11.82 at the local Chick-fil-A in

Analysis Shows Older Donors Are Milked by Campaigns

Huntsville, Ala. But every other charge on the first page, and there were dozens of them, was to the firm that processes online Republican campaign contributions, WinRed. Over four months last year, Mr. Vaughan had made 400 donations totaling nearly \$11,500 — to Donald J. Trump, Mitch McConnell, Tim Scott, Steve Scalise and many others.

The sum was far beyond the

realm of his financial ability, his son said, and sure enough, he soon discovered handwritten notes outlining what appeared to be his father's call disputing the charges with his credit card company. He is still seething at the avalanche of charges and "what they did to a 90-year-old" just before his death.

"It happened to him," he said, "I have to figure it happened to other people."

It has.

The dirty little secret of online political fund-raising is that the most aggressive and pernicious practices that campaigns use to raise money are especially likely to ensnare unsuspecting older

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Gloria Vásquez in Soacha, Colombia, with her daughter, Ximena, 8, who left school in the pandemic.

1+1=4? Latin America Faces a Dropout Crisis.

By JULIE TURKIEWITZ

SOACHA, Colombia — Already, two of Gloria Vásquez's children had dropped out of school during the pandemic, including her 8-year-old, Ximena, who had fallen so far behind that she struggled with the most basic arithmetic.

"One plus one?" Ms. Vásquez

quizzed her daughter one afternoon.

"Four?" the little girl guessed helplessly.

Now, Ms. Vásquez, a 33-year-old single mother and motel housekeeper who had never made it past the fifth grade, told herself she couldn't let a third child leave school.

"Where's Maicol?" she asked

her children, calling home one night during another long shift scrubbing floors. "Is he studying?"

Maicol, 13, certainly was not. Frustrated by the work sheets his teachers had been sending via text message — the closest thing to instruction his school had been

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Teens' New Way To Defy Parents: Getting Vaccine

By JAN HOFFMAN

Teenagers keep all sorts of secrets from their parents. Drinking. Sex. Lousy grades.

But the secret that Elizabeth, 17, a rising high-school senior from New York City, keeps from hers is new to the buffer of adolescent misdeeds. She doesn't want her parents to know that she is vaccinated against Covid-19.

Her divorced parents have equal say over her health care. Although her mother strongly favors the vaccine, her father angrily opposes it and has threatened to sue her mother if Elizabeth gets the shot. Elizabeth is keeping her secret not only from her father, but also her mother, so her mom can have plausible deniability. (Elizabeth asked to be identified only by her middle name.)

The vaccination of children is crucial to achieving broad immunity to the coronavirus and returning to normal school and work routines. But though Covid vaccines have been authorized for children as young as 12, many parents, worried about side effects and frightened by the newness of the shots, have held off from permitting their children to get them.

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Rise of Adams Spurs His Party To Look Inward

By KATIE GLEUCK

He bluntly challenged left-wing leaders in his party over matters of policing and public safety. He campaigned heavily in Brooklyn, Queens and the Bronx, often ignoring Manhattan neighborhoods besides Harlem and Washington Heights. And he branded himself a blue-collar candidate with a keen personal understanding of the challenges and concerns facing working-class New Yorkers of color.

With his substantial early lead in the Democratic mayoral primary when votes were counted Tuesday night, Eric Adams, the Brooklyn borough president, demonstrated the enduring power of a candidate who can connect to working- and middle-class Black and Latino voters, while also appealing to some white voters with moderate views.

Mr. Adams is not yet assured of victory. But if he prevails, it would be a triumph for a campaign that focused more heavily on those constituencies than any other winning New York City mayoral candidate in recent history.

As the national Democratic Party navigates debates over identity and ideology, the mayoral primary in the largest city in the

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Main Street, Block by Block

We spent four months photographing a typical American street in Wilkes-Barre, a Pennsylvania city of 41,400, to capture the pandemic's impact.

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A Holy Ritual Offers Salvation

For many Catholics, the eucharist is wholly apart from political skirmishes. It is the most personal and intimate way to connect with God. PAGE 18

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Betting on a Post-Death Future

The business of cryonics — preserving bodies in deep freeze in the hope of another shot at life someday — got more complicated in the pandemic. PAGE 1

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Is This Meeting Necessary?

There was a moment, centuries ago, when workplace huddles saved time, rather than merely filled it. Thoughts as workers return to the office. PAGE 1

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Humiliated Hancock quits

► Minister ended 15-year marriage just hours before affair exposed

By Tim Shipman and Gabriel Pogrund

Matt Hancock resigned from the cabinet last night after damaging details of his conduct in the affair with his wife Gina Coladangelo were revealed.

The health secretary fell on his sword after fellow cabinet ministers and MPs said his position was untenable and friends told him it was the only way to save his political career.

Hancock told Boris Johnson he was resigning last night after he was informed he was facing the prospect of a police investigation of whether he broke the law by kissing and fondling his adviser while the public were banned from hugging their loved ones.

Both Hancock and Coladangelo are married with three children.

Michael Gove, the Cabinet Office minister, Oliver Dowden, the culture secretary, and Nadhim Zahawi, the vaccines minister, are all possible successors. Sajid Javid, the former chancellor who is a close ally of Boris Johnson, the prime minister's wife, is also in the running.

In a video statement last night Hancock admitted his behaviour had undermined the government's power to enforce Covid restrictions. "I understand the enormous sacrifices everybody in this country has made, that you have made, and those of us who make those rules have got to stick by them and that is why I have got to resign."

The prime minister's decision to sack Hancock on Friday was underlined by a dramatic draining of support from within the cabinet and the parliamentary party. It emerged that Hancock, 42, had told his wife he was leaving her on Thursday evening, immediately after he heard his affair was about to be exposed. He even woke up their youngest child, aged eight, to break the news. Marsha Hancock had had no idea her husband was cheating on her with his intimacy friend and had considered their marriage "happy and stable".

Details of the separation have outraged party members in his West Suffolk constituency, where insiders predicted Hancock might be deselected as an MP at the next election. But allies said that he and

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Matt Hancock resigned as health secretary in a video posted on Twitter last night over an affair with his wife Gina Coladangelo. On Thursday he had told his wife, Marsha, and their children he was leaving

► Private email account hid Covid business from officials

Gabriel Pogrund
Whitehall Correspondent

Matt Hancock faces investigation after using a personal email account instead of an official address during the pandemic, in a breach of government guidelines.

Since March last year, the former health secretary routinely used a private account to conduct government business, concealing information from his own officials and potentially the public, according to documents obtained by The Sunday Times.

It means the government does not hold records of much of Hancock's decision-making, including negotiating multi-billion-pound PPE contracts, setting up the £7 billion Test and Trace programme, and overseeing the government's cash-for-business strategy.

The disclosure of Hancock's secret account appears in minutes of a meeting between senior officials at the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) last December. Cabinet Office guidance states that ministers should use official email to ensure that there is evidence proper internal scrutiny.

Hancock, 42, is also accused of conflicts of interest after appointing Gina Coladangelo, 43, as his media adviser and a director of his department earning £15,000 a year. However, according to leaked documents, he may have hidden details of their official dealings and his wider conduct in office.

The minutes record that David Williams, the department's second permanent secretary, wanted to know about Hancock's conduct, saying that he "only" deals with his private office "via Gmail account".

Williams disclosed that officials could not freely access key documents, saying the "threshold for requiring this personal account would need to be substantial".

Cabinet Office guidance states that "it is expected that government business should be recorded on a government record system".

Last night, Labour demanded an investigation by the Information Commissioner's Office. Angela Rayner said: "He needs to explain to the British people why he thought it was acceptable to have a secret and private email inbox for contracts for people that he had a direct relationship with." @Gabriel_Pogrund

Infuriating train announcements will terminate here

Shapps promises to give railway passengers some peace by introducing curbs on tannoy messages

Nicholas Hellen and Emily Dugan

It may come as a surprise to anyone who has sat through the recorded announcements on a British train, but there are people who actually like them.

Train spotters have been joined by train audiophiles, who collect recordings of safety, security and timetable announcements and post them on social media. A recent recording of "Great Western Railway on-board announcements" posted to

YouTube has been listened to more than 7,000 times.

Others do not find the barrage of safety, security, timetable, platform, ticket, refreshment and apology announcements a helpful addition to their journey. Many people long to travel in peace, and it seems the government agrees.

Declaring a new deal for passengers as Whitehall takes over the railways, Grant Shapps, the transport secretary, promised in a recent white paper: "There will be fewer annoying and repetitive recorded announcements."

The scale of the problem was plain on a journey from Manchester to London last week. Passengers were subjected to 17 automated messages, including three helpings of perhaps the most irritating post to insertion: "Welcome to foreign visitors" slogans in the history of transport. As a Chinese railway enthusiast recently wondered: "What does 'See it, say it, sort it' mean?"

There were also four live messages, advising passengers on how to buy refreshments and urging them not to walk down the

side unnecessarily. The train's PA system was activated on average every seven minutes.

Newman Baker, a Liberal Democrat former transport minister, is a regular traveller from Leeds station, in East Sussex. He said he was once informed "that there is no skateboarding allowed at the station. Well, I've never seen anyone skateboarding there. Maybe we'll announce that elephants aren't allowed either." @nicholabaker

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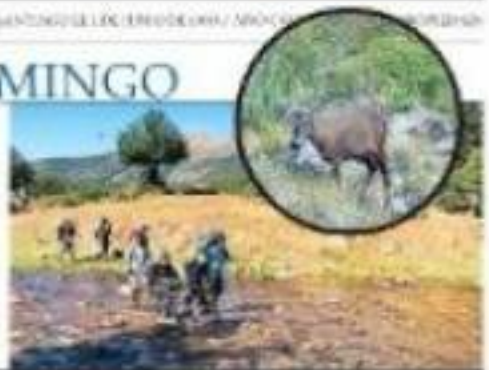
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que la deja entre los
ocho mejores de Europa.
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El último refugio de los huemules

En la cordillera de Ñuble y Biobío
se encuentra la población que
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Exministro y excandidato presidencial Andrés Velasco y la coyuntura opositora:
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Patricia Pellegrini, presidenta de la Convención. Cristóbal Darador, vicepresidente. Elisa Lenzen, representante de la lista mujeres.

Tres nombres toman fuerza:
Las cartas que se barajan para presidir la Convención a una semana de su inicio

- Entre los distintos sectores que integran el organismo, se ha instalado un consenso respecto de que debe ser una mujer la que ejerza el cargo.
- Para respetar la paridad de género, se espera que la vicepresidencia quede en manos de un hombre. **C 2**

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El Primer Ministro italiano cuestionó proceso chileno: Gobierno sale a defender con fuerza la vacuna de Sinovac y rechaza críticas internacionales

“Me molesta mucho que una autoridad europea diga que aquí no ha funcionado, sin tener ninguna información científica. Estamos cansados de esos comentarios”, dijo el ministro de Salud, Enrique Paris.

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Controles sanitarios en balnearios de la Quinta Región

Ayer, personal de Salud, de Carabineros y del Ejército realizaron controles en el litoral central, especialmente en las comunas que están en cuarentena los fines de semana, como Villa del Mar (con la imagen). Mientras que en la Ruta 68 se fiscalizaron más de 1.600 vehículos y 300 de ellos fueron desviados a Santiago. **C 10**

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Ayer visitó la región:

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Frase del día Libertad de expresión

Es efectivo que todos los países, en uso de su libertad de expresión, tienen derecho a formular las críticas y observaciones que les parezcan. Sin embargo, cuando el presidente del Colegio de Periodistas acepta y promueve indiscriminadamente las jactancias, pone en riesgo la libertad de expresión de los propios periodistas.”

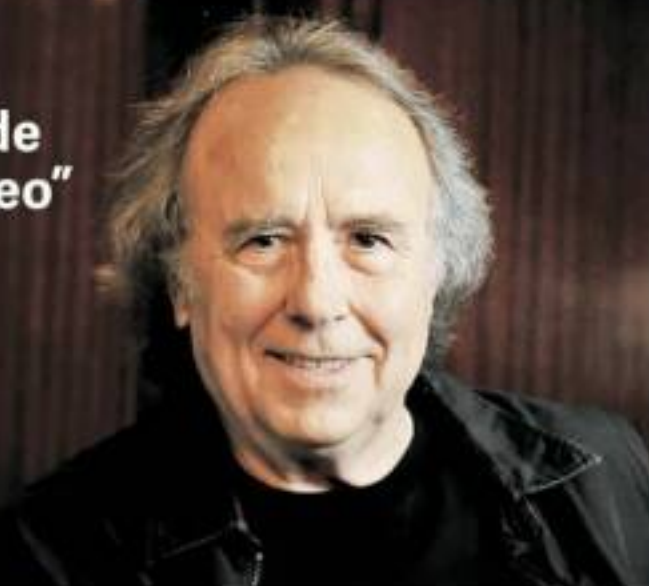
ADRIANAH SANTIBÁÑEZ,
Periodista Nacional del Periodismo 2015 en Cerro a Breco. **A 2**

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La vigencia de "Mediterráneo"

A medio siglo de su obra cumbre.

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Van der Kooy
El Presidente no anda bien



Carlin
El odio más implacable



Ministro inglés
Besos apasionados y despido inmediato

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Un toque de atención para la solución argentina de los problemas argentinos

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Sigue complicada la disputa interna en la oposición

Vidal se reunió con Macri y le confirmó que no se postulará en la Provincia

Estuvieron reunidos durante una hora y media en la quinta del ex presidente. La ex gobernadora reafirmó su postura de no competir en territorio bonaerense. Pero no definió si lo hará en la

Ciudad. En tanto, Carrió se ofreció a ser candidata a diputada si hay unidad interna en Juntos por el Cambio. En la UCR volvieron a mostrarse Lousteau y Manes en un acto. P. 10

Del Editor

Ricardo Kirschbaum

Sordos ruidos, oír se dejan entre Macri y Larreta

ENTREVISTA EXCLUSIVA

Randazzo se lanza con un sector del peronismo: "Voy a ser candidato"

El ex ministro kirchnerista le confirmó a Clarín que competirá por una banca de diputado nacional en la provincia de Buenos Aires. Lo hará con un frente de peronistas distanciados de Alberto y Cristina. En 2017, sacó un 5% y fue determinante para la derrota de la vicepresidenta. P. 4

RESTRICCIONES, DESDE MAÑANA

Kicillof define cómo aislarán a los que regresan desde el exterior

Fijarán la modalidad de cuarentena de Provincia. En la Ciudad decidieron que, quienes den positivo en Ezeiza, tendrán que aislarse en un hotel. P. 47



Límites. Sólo ingresan 600 personas.



Angustia en Miami por otros dos jóvenes argentinos

Identificaron a la abogada Nicky Langesfeld y al estudiante Ilan Naibryf como los dos argentinos que se siguen buscando -además de dos familias- entre las 156 personas aún desaparecidas por el derrumbe del edificio. Fue el jueves a la madrugada. P. 30

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comunidad LGBTQ+
tomó las calles al
grito de "Ya volvimos
a salir". / 17 y 18



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En NY y otras partes del mundo también hubo orgullo. / 20



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Madonna emocionó con un show sorpresa en Nueva York.

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**RETRATO
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**Prefiere construir
confianza, no
muros fronterizos**

Fue calificado por Obama como "un verdadero amigo". Ken Salazar no es diplomático de carrera, pero tiene sangre hispana y es la apuesta de Joe Biden para ser embajador de EU en México. / 6



Ilustración: Jesús Sánchez

GLOBAL
**Desde 2018
alertaron daños en
edificio colapsado**

Un informe reportó que el condominio tenía fallas estructurales y grietas en el sótano. La tragedia ha dejado cinco muertos y 156 desaparecidos. / 20



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**El bitcoin detona la
economía de... una
playa salvadoreña**

Pescadores y campesinos que no tenían acceso a servicios bancarios ahora son inversionistas y expertos en la criptomoneda. / 21



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FUNCIÓN
**RYAN REYNOLDS
UN SÚPER HÉROE
TÍMIDO**
El éxito no ha mareado al canadiense, quien dice ser una persona reservada y claustrofóbica. Famoso por encarnar a personajes de Marvel y DC, alista la tercera entrega de *Deadpool*.



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VIVE EL TRIUNFO
FALTAN 26 DÍAS

ADRENALINA
**EL PRIMER
TRAMPOSO**
Frederick Lorz llegó de aventón a la meta del maratón en 1904, pero, tras saberse la verdad, el triunfo fue de Thomas Hicks. / 16

YA QUEDAN MENOS
Italia, uno de los equipos favoritos en la Euro, pasó a cuartos junto con Dinamarca. Hoy juegan Holanda-República Checa y Bélgica-Portugal.

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EXPRESIONES
**A LA ORILLA
DE TODO**
El mexicano Álvaro Uribe cree que "la vida es más lo que no eres, que lo que sí" y eso se refleja en *Los que no*, su nueva novela. / 22



ATENCIÓN MÉDICA EN ZONAS RURALES

Sumarán 120 hospitales al IMSS Bienestar

PASARÁN DE 80 A 200 EN 2024 Las unidades de salud que se terminaron y equiparon para atender a enfermos de covid serán del Instituto, adelantó el presidente López Obrador

POR ARTURO PÁRAMO

Al final del actual sexenio, el número de hospitales del sistema IMSS Bienestar pasará de 80 a 200, anunció el presidente Andrés Manuel López Obrador.

Desde San Quintín, Baja California, dijo que los centros de salud y hospitales equipados durante la pandemia de covid-19 se integrarán a la estrategia del Instituto que atiende a la población rural y a la más marginada del país.

"Ahora que está disminuyendo el efecto de la pandemia, los contagios y sobre todo que hay menos fallecidos, vamos al plan original, a que todos los hospitales



De gira por Baja California, López Obrador reiteró que el personal contratado en la emergencia sanitaria no será despedido.

que se equiparon y que estamos terminando, y sirvieron incluso para atender a enfermos de covid, pasen a formar parte del sistema IMSS Bienestar", explicó.

En 2019, el Presidente realizó una gira por los 80 hospitales del IMSS Bienestar en la que anunció que serían equipados. **PRIMERA | PÁGINA 2**

EMITE ADVERTENCIA DE VIAJE TRAS MASACRE

EU prende alertas en Reynosa; en Zacatecas refuerzan patrullajes

POR ALFREDO PEÑA Y KARLA MÉNDEZ

El Consulado de EU en Matamoros emitió una alerta para sus conciudadanos que planean ir a Reynosa, tras el ataque de la semana pasada que dejó 19 muertos.

"Aquellos que decidan viajar a Reynosa, Río Bravo y áreas aledañas deben permanecer atentos y mantener un estado de alerta elevada debido a la mayor posibilidad de violencia entre facciones rivales de cárteles", señaló. **PRIMERA | PÁGINA 14**

El Departamento de Estado mantiene su recomendación de no viajar a Tamaulipas debido a la delincuencia y los secuestros.

Ayer, un centenar de ciudadanos marchó por calles de Reynosa al grito de "Queremos paz". Algunos portaban lonas en las que denunciaban la desaparición o muerte de familiares.

En Zacatecas, personal de la Sedena y la Guardia Nacional reforzó la vigilancia en Valparaíso, donde un tiroteo dejó 18 asesinados.

PRIMERA

UNAM restituye pupitre a alumnos de excelencia

Lorena (foto) y dos jóvenes más fueron matriculados luego de que hace un año se les negó su lugar, al carecer del certificado de secundaria. / 8



Delitos contra las mujeres registran aumento histórico

De enero a mayo, el feminicidio, trata, violencia familiar, de género y la violación registraron su mayor incidencia en el último lustro. / 9

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Vianey Esquinca 15

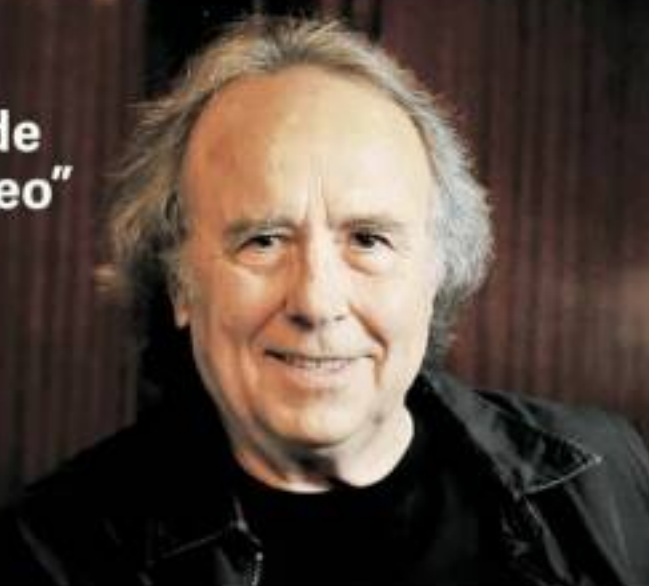


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COVID cabinet to consider more restrictions today

By MAI HAN HOVAVAN and RICHARD YERUSHALMI

The coronavirus cabinet is expected to meet on Sunday to discuss the next steps for managing the increasing number of COVID-19 cases in the country, after the government on Friday issued the obligation of wearing masks indoors and in crowded spaces.

The cabinet is reportedly considering the following additional restrictions regarding citizens: to wear masks in open spaces, reducing the number of people allowed in parks and using uncontracted individuals instead allowing them to take part in outdoor activities.

However, Health Minister Nitzan Horowitz said that he is not planning to roll out any new restrictions. Rather, he said he would focus on previously announced efforts, such as requiring fines of as little as NIS 5,000 on anyone who breaks isolation, as well as supplying up reinforcements of testing and antigen marketed used at the airport.

"Of course, we will take steps in accordance with the situation," he said during an interview with *Midot* over the weekend. He also noted that the effectiveness of the cabinet steps was meant to be evaluated before the government rolls out tougher restrictions – if they are needed – which he said "is his goal."

There were 220 new cases reported on Friday, according to a Saturday night update by the Health Ministry. For most of June, Israel only reported between 2 and 30 new daily cases, but at the beginning of last week the case started to increase following several outbreaks in schools. Even so, there are only 25 people in serious condition. As a side effect of the pandemic, Israel registered thousands of new coronavirus deaths and had over 1,200 patients in serious condition.

Assuming that citizens were not COVID-19 in Israel includes only a minor or moderate increase in serious cases, the health government is faced with two choices: leave the economy open and accept a certain death toll from the virus or work to mitigate it altogether, according to Prof. Eyal Segev, a computational biologist at the Weizmann Institute of Science.

"This is a policy decision, and therefore a decision that only a government can take," he said.

Segev has been talking conservative since its onset and contrasts with the coronavirus cabinet. In an interview with *N12* on Saturday night, he noted that this was the key question the government would have to consider as its coronavirus cabinet meeting on Sunday.

On Friday, he laid out what he

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Hopes dim as fire hinders Miami rescue

IDF sent to help as over 150 still missing • Shai flies out to aid community



RESCUE CREWS search through rubble at the site after a partial building collapse in Surfside, Florida, on Friday. (Photo: Justin Tanaka and Florida Tech News Center & Reuters)

By COLLEEN HANAN, TORAL HAZRATI and Reuters

The search for more than 150 missing residents of a Florida building that collapsed early Thursday morning gave increasingly dim hopes on Saturday, as a rescuing the damaged rescue efforts could take days to have any chance of finding survivors.

Despite around-the-clock work at the site in Surfside, a dense over the population, search and rescue teams had not found any additional survivors as of midday. Miami-Dade Mayor Daniella Levine Cava said a briefing. The official death toll remained at five, though that number is certain to rise.

Officials said they still believed hope that some of the 150 people still unaccounted for might be found after her acknowledgment that a few survivors beneath the rubble was showing more signs, lifting the area with cranes and increasing daily hours' efforts to locate the victims.

An emergency delegation from the IDF's Home Front Command will be sent to Miami to help the rescue effort, Defense Minister Benny Gantz said on Saturday night.

In coordination with the government's office in Florida and the Foreign Ministry, Gantz decided several units of engineering and rescue specialists.

"We will make every effort to help save human lives, and to

offer our support to the Jewish community and to our American friends," Gantz said.

Engineer report found structural damage years before, Page 2

Defense Minister Nitzan Horowitz said on Saturday night in the disaster area in Florida, where he will meet with Levine Cava and local Jewish community leaders in the coming days. Upon his return to Israel, Horowitz promises Prime Minister Naftali Bennett plans for assistance to the Jewish community. Ahead of his trip, he said that he intended to explore various ways of assisting the Jewish community in Miami.

"We will do whatever we can to help the Americans in any way they deem fit," Shai said. "The Jewish People are proud to be in Miami." Horowitz can learn from Israel's experience in previous disasters. Under his leadership, he has seen such experience with disasters.

Shai said Horowitz would send a powerful message about the relationship between Israel and American Jews, being a two-way street. He said that every way important to the prime minister.

Israel will send aid to Miami, Bennett promised on Friday

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Surfside Jewish community's most valuable amenity: human warmth

By URY ANAN, Jerusalem Post correspondent

MIAMI – Days ago at the Surfside Community Center, located five blocks down from the site of the now-collapsed Champlain Towers, dozens of Jewish and non-Jewish Jews gathered and did as the center was just available to community members. It's just one example of the academic attention offered to residents of this sleepy beachside Miami town.

But after the tragedy, the water party as closed off with yellow tape, and the community center turned into the Family Reunification Center for victims of the collapse. Members of the press were confined off to the side of the main street, often standing in the rain, while volunteers from all over South Florida – many visibly Jewish – came to deliver food, blankets and clothes to those affected.

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Polish PM: We won't pay one zloty for German crimes

Lapid: Anti-restitution bill for survivors will harm ties

By LARRY BERNIK, TORAL HAZRATI and Reuters

Polish Prime Minister Mateusz Morawiecki pledged that his country would not pay reparations to Holocaust survivors for German crimes committed against them on its territory during World War II.

Speaker writes in comments about helping survivors, Page 2

He spoke after Poland's lower House of Parliament passed a draft bill on Thursday introducing a statute of limitations on claims for the restitution of property.

"I can only say that as long as I am the PM, Poland will surely not pay for the German



FOREIGN MINISTER Yair Lapid: No law will change history.

crimes. Not a zloty, not a euro, not a dollar," Morawiecki said on Friday.

The advancement of the bill heightened tensions with Israel on the issue, with Foreign Minister Yair Lapid warning that ties between the neighboring allies could be harmed.

"No law will change history,"

Lapid said. "The Polish law is incorrect and will severely harm relations between the countries. Israel will stand as a barrier preventing the recovery of the Holocaust and the dignity of Holocaust survivors and their property."

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'US emboldening crackdown on political activists by ignoring PA rights violations'

By SHARON AMI YERUSHALMI

The death of Nizar Banat, who was allegedly beaten to death by Palestinian security officers late Thursday, has left several Palestinian political activists worried for their life.

Some activists who are critical of the Palestinian Authority said on Saturday they have received threats because of their views.

The activists blamed the US, European Union and other international parties for sending a blind eye to human rights violations and corruption by the PA, including the crackdown on the use of critics and political opponents in the West Bank in the past few weeks.

"It's interesting and disturbing that the Palestinian Authority's unprecedented crackdown began immediately after US Secretary of State Antony Blinken's visit to Ramallah last month," said Nizar Banat's wife and political analyst Nadia Harbath.

"Blinken was quoted as saying that the new US administration wants to recognize the Palestinian Authority," she said. "It recognizes more violent attacking and killing political activists, then the US is definitely complicit in the crimes of the Palestinian security forces."

Last year, unidentified activists saw the Israeli's car in the new Jerusalem neighborhood of Be'er Sheva. She said that the car was carrying a few security officers of the PA government's performance, especially their handling of the coronavirus pandemic.

Harbath said *The Jerusalem Post* that she had been in close contact with Banat since August 2020, when he was forced to go into hiding because of threats by the PA security forces.

"It's not clear that the US administration gave the Palestinian Authority a green light to tighten its control over the Palestinian population," she said. "In this case, common sense has to be just

to know which side Banat was on as he was killing people, and not just recognizing them."

Harbath said that such support for the PA is unwelcome, further undermining the Palestinian leadership's credibility among its people.

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"If they think that recognizing the PA will weaken Hamas, the Americans are making a big mistake," she added. "The wide spread discontent with the Palestinian Authority has nothing to do with Hamas. It is the result of rampant corruption and attacks on public freedoms. There is no rule of law, people no longer feel safe and secure under the Palestinian Authority. The Palestinian Authority's repressive actions are fueling the anger on the Palestin-

ian street."

Harbath said that when PA President Mahmoud Abbas announced his decision earlier this year to hold parliamentary and presidential elections, he did so because he was seeking legitimacy that would give a boost for the PA administration to replace Banat and to the authority's leadership.

"But when President Abbas canceled the elections, the US, instead of supporting him, awarded him with money," she said. "The US never was a credible and it sent the wrong message to the Palestinian leadership – that it no longer needs to obtain legitimacy from the Palestinian population if already secured international US financial aid. Now the Palestinian leaders feel free to go after anyone who speaks out against them."

Asked if she was afraid for her life after the death of Banat,

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Three family members killed in Galilee shooting

Jerusalem Post Staff

Three family members were killed and one was injured in a shooting attack as they drove near the town of Tiberias in the Galilee.

The family members killed were a 35-year-old man, a 45-year-old woman and a 36-year-old girl. A 19-year-old girl was found outside of the car with gunshot wounds and was evacuated to the Rabin Medical Center in Tel Aviv where being treated at the scene.

Large police forces searched the area in order to locate the suspected shooter, while police detectives collected evidence at the scene for the ongoing investigation.

Initial reports indicate that the victims were residents of Tiberias, who had moved to the area of Doh Sheva in the lower Galilee about a month ago. Police have also indicated that the incident was connected to criminal activity.

"A girl of about eight was outside of the car. She was seriously injured and was suffering from pancreatic wounds," said IPR journalist Orit Shochman. "We alerted medical emergency while trying to calm her down,

and then evacuated her to the hospital, alive and in serious condition."

The shooting came amid pressure to secure receipts against rising criminal activity of the Arab sector. The town has gained national prominence as the one government under Prime Minister Naftali Bennett has pledged to make it a priority. A special commission on investigating crime in Arab society was part of the coalition agreement with Likud (United Arab List).

MS (The Civil Order List) was also on the incident on Friday.

"A family was slaughtered, and a 9 year old was left alone," he wrote. Civil denounced that police

justice the members and their families, and that "the police even keep ignoring organized crime in Arab society. They know where the weapons are and who the crime bosses are. These are structures are not spontaneous, and are planned in advance."

Bennet's leader Meron Mizlik, who chairs the commission on investigating crime in the Arab sector, said on Thursday that "the conflict [in Arab society] are not only between crime organizations; they can also be between two families. Social violence and organized crime are compromising the personal security of the country's Arab citizens, which has been neglected for years in order to serve the state's budgetary needs."

Washington denies changing its policy on Israel's Golan sovereignty

By TORAL HAZRATI

The United States rejected an "idle" claim by *The Washington Post* Sunday that it had "walked back" its recognition of Israeli sovereignty on the Golan Heights.

What's behind conclusion? Page 7

"US policy regarding the Golan has not changed, and reports to the contrary are false," the State Department stressed earlier in

the day.

It spoke up less than 24 hours after the House passed its report, which claimed that the US was recognizing the Golan Heights sovereignty passed Israel in 1967 under the Trump administration.

Israel captured the Golan Heights from Syria during the Six Day War in 1967 and annexed it in 1982. The international community has refused to recognize Israel's sovereignty there and routinely calls on Israel as the United Nations on issues in its border. The

US is the only country to have supported Israel's Golan annexation.

A Syrian presence on the Golan Heights overlooking the Jewish state is considered by Israel to be an existential threat. Israel has no plans to return the territory to Syria, given the state of enmity between them.

Such attempts to erode Israeli sovereignty in Syria has only underscored the belief the sovereignty of holding over the sovereignty of the border the two countries.

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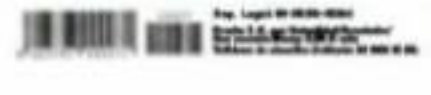
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Inside the race to save Trump from covid

BY DAMIAN PALETTA AND YASMEEN ABUTALEB

This article is adapted from "Nightmare Scenario: Inside the Trump Administration's Response to the Pandemic That Changed History," which HarperCollins will publish June 29.

Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar's phone rang with an urgent request: Could he help someone at the White House obtain an experimental coronavirus treatment, known as a monoclonal antibody?

If Azar could get the drug, what would the White House need to do to make that happen? Azar thought for a moment. It was Oct. 1, 2020, and the drug was still in clinical trials. The Food and Drug Administration would have to make a "compassionate use" exception for its use since it was not yet available to the public. Only about 10 people so far had used it outside of those trials, Azar said of course he would help.

Azar wasn't told who the drug was for but would later connect the dots. The patient was one of President Donald Trump's closest advisers: Hope Hicks.

A short time later, FDA Commissioner Stephen Hahn received a request from a top White House official for a separate case, this time with even greater urgency: Could he get the FDA to sign off on a compassionate-use authorization for a monoclonal antibody right away? There is a standard process that doctors use to apply to the FDA for unapproved drugs on behalf of patients dealing with life-threatening illnesses who have exhausted all other options, and agency scientists review it. The difference was that most

As search grinds on, collapse fears spread



Rescue workers dig through the debris of the collapsed complex in Surfside, Fla., on Saturday, when three more bodies were found.

RESCUE OPERATION REMAINS FRUTLESS

Mayor urges residents of twin tower to evacuate

BY STEVEN MUIFSON, LORI ROZSA AND MERYL KORNFIELD

SURFIDE, FLA. — Surfside officials worried about the potential for new disasters ordered inspections of buildings near the collapsed Champlain Towers South on Saturday, as fires at the disaster site smoldered and hopes of finding survivors faded.

Rescue workers, armed with sonar and cameras, found three more sets of remains, bringing the total to five people dead and 156 others missing inside a haphazard heap of concrete and steel rebar. Officials warned that picking apart the heavy sandwiched apartments was a delicate and dangerous task and that progress would be slow.

The family of Gladys and Antonio Lozano, who lived on the ninth floor, confirmed that rescuers had found the couple's remains. The pair would have celebrated 59 years of marriage next month, the family said.

Officials said DNA samples collected from relatives of the missing would help in the speedy identification of those found.

Surfside Mayor Charles Burkett suggested residents of Champlain Towers North evacuate. The neighboring structure is nearly identical to the 12-story condominium on the barrier island near Miami Beach that partially caved in early Thursday morning.

Burkett said that while engineers had not found serious flaws in their initial inspections Saturday of Champlain Towers North, their examination was "not a deep dive into the building itself" and "I can't say I'd be excited about staying in that building myself."

The specter of another collapse

Years earlier, a warning of 'major structural damage'

BY JON SWAINE, JOSHUA PARTLOW, ANTONIO OLIVIO, AARON GREGG AND BETH REINHARD

An engineer warned in October 2018 that he had discovered "major structural damage" to a concrete slab below the pool deck in the section of the Champlain Towers South condominium building that collapsed Thursday, killing at least four and leaving scores trapped, according to records released by local authorities late Friday.

The engineer, Frank P. Morabito, said in a structural survey report that waterproofing



This photo released by Surfside, Fla., in a 2018 report shows cracking on floor slabs in the garage at Champlain Towers.

Gone in 11 seconds: A shake — then a deep boom

BY MARC FISHER, LAURA REILEY, LORI ROZSA AND MERYL KORNFIELD

SURFIDE, FLA. — From her fourth-floor balcony, Cassandra Stratton felt a tremor and saw the swimming pool cave in. She immediately called her husband, Michael, in Denver, 2,000 miles away.

Michael listened as Cassandra, who had been rifling out the pandemic at their apartment on the beach in Surfside, described a sudden shaking.

"And then the phone went dead," he said. "She screamed bloody murder and that was

USPS overhaul would slow delivery to much of country

The West, Texas and Florida would see most delays via DeJoy proposal

BY JACOB BOGAGE AND KEVIN SCHAUL

Las Vegas, Seattle, San Diego, Orlando and countless communities in between will see mail service slow by as much as a day under the U.S. Postal Service's strategic restructuring plan, a Washington Post analysis shows.

The new delivery regimen, for which the agency seeks regulatory approval, disproportionately affects states west of the Rocky Mountains and the country's mainland extremities, including

large swaths of southern Texas and Florida.

The proposed service standards, or the amount of time the agency says it should take to deliver a piece of first-class mail, represent the biggest slowdown of mail services in more than a generation, experts say. It involves significant reductions in airmail — a Postal Service tradition dating to 1918 — and geographic restrictions on how far a piece of mail can travel within a day.

Seventy percent of first-class mail sent to Nevada will take longer to arrive, according to The Post's analysis, as will 60 percent of the deliveries to Florida, 58 percent to Washington state, 57 percent to Montana, and 55 percent to Arizona and Oregon. In all, at least a third of such letters and parcels



Source: Analysis of USPS proposal data submitted to the Postal Regulatory Commission



Damen Adams Jr., 15, reunites with his father, Damen Adams Sr., after a sixth-grader fired shots April 26 inside Plymouth Middle School near Minneapolis, attempting suicide-by-cop.

As classrooms reopened, nation saw shootings at schools soar

BY JOHN WOODROW COX AND STEVEN RICH

Months had passed since the sixth-grader decided he wanted to die, and now the day that he hoped would be his last had come. The boy sneaked into his father's bedroom, reaching into a dresser drawer for the loaded magazine and 9mm handgun he'd been told never to touch. He hid them both inside his

backpack, then left for school. "I hope my death makes more sense than my life," the 12-year-old had already jotted in a spiral-bound notebook of his plan to commit suicide-by-cop. He would have shot himself if he hadn't feared offending God, he later said in an interview he and his father gave to The Washing-

ton Post. Forcing a police officer to kill him didn't seem as bad.

"That way it wasn't a sin," he explained.

So, at 8:44 a.m. on April 26, he walked down a busy hallway at Plymouth Middle School outside of Minneapolis, loaded the magazine, chambered a round,

In rural Va., a far-right Trump disciple will face a BLM organizer

BY GREGORY S. SCHNEIDER

STUART, VA. — Wren Williams was all set to dig into his biscuit, bacon and eggs at the Stuart Family Restaurant when a white-haired woman rushed over from a nearby booth. Mary Fulcher wanted Williams to know that she was praying for him to win his House of Delegates race this fall so he could go to Richmond and take on the Democrats.

"We need to get rid of every dad-burn Democrat we got," said Fulcher, 83. "They're selfish. They think they know everything and they don't know nothing."

Williams, 32, didn't mind the Monday morning interruption. After all, it was people like Fulcher who powered him to one of the most surprising outcomes of Virginia's June 8 primaries, in which the first-time candidate defeated a seven-term incumbent for the GOP nomination in this hilly, rural 9th District House seat south of Roanoke.

Almost no one had thought Del. Charles D. Poindexter (R-Franklin) was vulnerable — he had top ratings from the National Rifle Association and the ultraconservative Family Foundation — but Williams trounced him by about 25 points. And he did it in a way that caught even other Republicans off-guard.