Trump by-passes US Congress to sell arms to Saudi, UAE, Jordan

US orders new troops to Mideast to counter Iran ‘threat’

WASHINGTON: US President Donald Trump, declaring a national emergency because of tensions with Iran, swept aside objections from Congress on Friday to complete the sale of over US$8 billion worth of weapons to Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Jordan, infuriating lawmakers by sidestepping Congress’ ability to review major weapons sales.

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Kuwaiti houses ghabqa for diplomatic missions in Kuwait

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Kuwaiti Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Nassar Al-Sabah hosted a ghabqa yesterday for the diplomatic missions in Kuwait. The event was attended by Foreign Ministers, academics, public figures and media representatives. The Prime Minister said that the ghabqa was held to mark the 70th anniversary of the Geneva Conventions of 1949 which protect civilians in armed conflict.

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KUWAIT: Traditional ‘misbah’ prayer beads are displayed at a market in downtown Kuwait City yesterday. Misbahs are in hot demand during the holy month of Ramadan as Muslims use beads to count their ‘Tasabih,’ a prayer cycle to glorify and praise Allah, in which one bead is dropped down a string after each phrase. — Photos by Yasser Al-Zayyat

Zain, the leading digital service provider in Kuwait, shared the joys of the holy month of Ramadan with children at Zain Hospital by distributing girgian candy and gifts to the children and their families to celebrate the occasion in a family atmosphere full of joy and happiness.

The initiative, which comes under the umbrella of Zain’s Corporate Sustainability and Social Responsibility strategy, aims at sharing the blessings of the holy month with the children’s parents, and the medical staff who take care of them.

Zain’s volunteers visited Zain Hospital’s various wards and distributed gifts and girgian candy to the children and their families. The company also offered girgian candy to the Kuwait Society for the Care of Children in Hospitals (KACCH), who will in turn distribute them to children in a number of Kuwait’s biggest and most prominent hospitals.

Zain expressed its heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to all the parties involved in organizing the visits including hospital staff, officials, children’s families, and the volunteers themselves, who all helped draw a smile on the faces of the children.

Huawei holds elegant media ghabqa

KUWAIT: In the spirit of loving, sharing and caring, and as the holy month of Ramadan always brings excitement and joy, Huawei Consumer Business Group (Huawei) invited the media members and social media influencers to a unique Ramadan ghabqa recently.

As part of its activities, Huawei Consumer Business Group Kuwait (CBG) invited the media members and influencers to enjoy a unique Ramadan ghabqa recently.

This Ramadan, Huawei celebrates this special occasion with media members and influencers who have always been a huge support to Huawei.

The evening continued with a speech from General Manager, Huawei CBG Kuwait, Jason Jiang, who extended the welcome and appreciation to the attendees.

The evening was held in the elegant The Palms Beach Hotel and Spa with its special design and interior decor. The venue provided a great opportunity to communicate and engage in unique surroundings, which was the ideal place to create joyous times and memorable moments with the loved ones.

The evening was ended by the sounds of live music and enticing Ramadan buffet of delicacies and traditional favorites.

The significance of this special event is in the delivery of the best patient care, as it serves a vast number of patients with a full range of state-of-the-art ENT medications.
NBK shares iftar, suhoor with students

BY Manal Al-Mattar

KUWAIT: National Bank of Kuwait (NBK) visited both student residences in Kaifan and Shuwaikh areas to share iftar and suhoor banquets with the students and spent some good times with them as part of ‘The Good Deeds in Ramadan’ program.

The visit was filled with family-friendly atmosphere, in which NBK expressed its support and encouragement to the students and how much it values their participation in various social occasions as part of being actively involved in social responsibility initiatives established by the Bank’s executive management to the students and how much it values their participation in various social occasions as part of being actively involved in social responsibility initiatives established by the Bank’s executive management, Manal Al-Mattar, NBK’s Head of the activities department said.

Manal Faisal Al-Mattar, NBK Head of the student residence welcomed the Bank’s team, which was led by Mubarak Al-Enezi and social workcontroller Nada Al-Qabandi, as well as Mai Al-Osaimi and residence controller Sharifa Al-Kandari, as part of the activities department, Sharifa Al-Kandari, added.

Manal Al-Mattar pointed out that visiting the student residence felt like a family gathering, where we learned about the different habits and traditions related to the holy month of Ramadan in the GCC and neighboring countries. “We also aimed at establishing NBK’s constant presence in various social occasions as part of being actively involved in the community and in line with our firm belief that the NBK’s corporate social responsibility initiatives are an integral part of community development and prosperity,” she added.

Head of the student residence department, Sharifa Al-Kandari, Head of the activities department Mubarak Al-Enezi and residence controller Mai Al-Osaimi at the student residence.

International games played frequently in Kuwait include the card game Ludo, Monopoly, where players buy and sell properties, was reissued in card form to make it easier to carry, so it can be played anywhere. A Kuwaiti version of this game was also released (Deal). Six or three years ago, a Kuwaiti designed a board game called ‘Inhash ya Theeb’ for the family and has been very popular. It can be played by two to four players. In a simple board game played for moving four pieces to the house, and the winner is the player who gets all his figures to the house first. This game has been played for many years and was played in Kuwaiti schools. The player has to move his pieces to the house first and then resigns. In other countries, it is played with a minimum of two players.

Games from childhood that are still played in some gatherings include ‘Batawiya’, ‘Kahlo’, ‘Muxi’, ‘Heila’ and ‘Hay almeet’. Children are no longer playing these games, remembering the old times. In Kuwait, there are various traditional games that are very popular, including popular outdoor games like outdoor games, such as ‘ambar’ and ‘dama’. Children are no longer playing these outdoor games, remembering the old times. In Kuwait, there are various traditional games that are very popular, including popular outdoor games like outdoor games, such as ‘ambar’ and ‘dama’.

By Nawara Fattahova

Children play ‘dama’ (draughts) during an official tournament.

Citizens participate in a ‘carrom’ tournament.— KUNA photos

“Children play ‘dama’ (draughts) during a function.

‘Carrom’ is an old game which was forgotten for many years, but is being played again. Carrom consists of wooden squares with four holes in the four corners. Players should pocket small round wooden pieces into the holes with a striker. The game is played by two players, who place small round wooden pieces in two colors on a chequered board or square piece of cloth. The striker is played on the same basic rule with a lead three or four players, and is placed with a minimum of two players or more.

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Ramaphosa sworn in S African president

All of the country’s former presidents at ceremony except for Zuma

These “are the areas hardest hit by the military operation,” said Mutula. “I hope that the fighting will stop sooner, otherwise we will have to extend for displaced children to have their usual lives and their usual school hours.”

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PRETORIA (Reuters) — South African voters on Friday, despite allegations, overwhelmed the National Assembly, with the ruling ANC winning 67 percent of the seats. The ANC garnered 57.5 percent of the vote, its weakest result since apartheid was overturned 25 years ago. Ramaphosa is a trade unionist who played a prominent role in the struggle against apartheid.

Cabinet ministers

Ramaphosa’s first test will be choosing a cabinet — a task he said will be a real challenge within the ANC. He is expected to name his new team within days, but the current vice president, Mmusi Maimane, has already said he will not seek re-election.

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Ramaphosa took the oath of office as the country’s fourth president at a colorful ceremony yesterday. Pietermaritzburg. He told supporters afterwards he was “fighting to stay out of jail,” adding: “We will continue to fight for the people’s cause. A long way lies ahead.”

He is due to make the address in Pretoria next week, a day before the ANC’s national policy conference opens in the capital.

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ARDHAIL: Heavily armed groups have been prowling the Sahel region for years, but recent attacks have raised concerns about the effectiveness of regional forces in countering their advance.

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Madrid is in danger of losing its hard-won international reputation, with critics questioning its handling of the Catalan independence movement and human rights abuses.

Assange indictment: dangerous precedent for journalists?

NEW YORK: The indictment of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange under the US Espionage Act is a dangerous precedent for journalists, with many press advocates calling for international action to protect media freedom.

More from the Kuwait Times

Kuwait Times
Trump, Dem row takes harsh turn with impeachment at stake

WASHINGTON: US President Donald Trump disciples showered him with an array of insults at a House of Representatives impeachment hearing on Wednesday, as the Republican-led panel seeks to block his impeachment trial from moving forward.

Speaker Nancy Pelosi, the House Democratic leader, said she had given her party’s general counsel, Jerry Nadler, the power to negotiate any terms of a deal with Trump’s legal team that would end the impeachment proceedings.

The fight is shaping up to be a battle of wills as the Democratic-controlled House of Representatives, House Democratic leaders and the president face off in a dispute over whether to allow the trial to proceed.

Nadler said he was trying to find a deal with Trump’s team, but the Republican-led Senate is likely to vote on a motion to dismiss the case on Thursday.

The Trump team, led by White House lawyer Jay Sekulow, has already filed a motion in the Senate to dismiss the case, arguing that the president is immune from prosecution.

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International

Instructions from HQ: Islamic State’s new guerrilla tactics

Group’s newspaper instructs on hit-and-run tactics

ISRAIL: Israeli military has banned a march by a prominent Lebanese politician whose supporters recently rioted in the disputed Golan Heights, saying the march would undermine the cease-fire agreement. The agreement was reached after the March 15 election, when the left-wing had won a majority in the Knesset, Israel’s parliament. The ban was issued to prevent any potential violence or unrest during the march.

SRI LANKA: Sri Lanka’s military launched a major hunt Wednesday for the body of a suspected Islamic State member who is believed to be behind the Easter bombings that killed 258 people. The search has been stepped up amid concerns that the attacker might have links to the Islamic State.

US envoy urges Beijing ‘dialogue’ with Dalai Lama

WASHINGTON: The United States has urged China to “engage in dialogue” with the Dalai Lama, the Tibet’s spiritual leader, in order to resolve differences over the status of Tibet. The US has previously called for China to grants the Dalai Lama the right to meet with foreign leaders, including Pope Francis.

Cleric who taught ‘American Taliban’ hails his release

PESHAWAR: Mohammad Iltimas, a clerical leader who taught at a madrassa in Afghanistan before moving to Pakistan, has been released from prison. Iltimas had been in prison since 2001 for his involvement in the war in Afghanistan. He is known for his radical teachings and has been a key figure in the Islamic State (IS) movement.

Congress backs Gandhi after election defeat

NEW DELHI: Indian opposition leader Rahul Gandhi, leader of the Congress party, has been popularly elected as the leader of his party. The election was held two days after the general election results were announced.

KATHMANDU: The death of an Irish and a British climber on Mount Everest took the total to 10, compared to last year’s 16. The climbers were among 12 people who died in the Himalayas. The death toll includes three Irish climbers, two British climbers, and one Dutch climber.

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Sri Lanka: IS forces list of terror targets

ISRAIL: Israel has released a list of terror targets that it says ISIS is planning to attack. The list includes diplomatic missions, military bases, and strategic locations. It is believed that the list is part of a broader strategy by ISIS to target Western interests.

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President Trump has lashed out at the media, saying that they are “not very good” and that “fake news” is the media’s primary problem. He has also criticized the news media for being “biased” and “fake.”

U.S. envoy urges Beijing ‘dialogue’ with Dalai Lama, China’s President Xi Jinping has confirmed that he will visit India later this year to meet with Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The visit is expected to help ease tensions between the two countries, which have been strained for years over issues such as the border dispute.

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In Asia, Trump finds more than ever his 'amigos' among friends

In Europe, Donald Trump’s relationships with leaders have become more episodic, and he is looking for ways to assert himself even more effectively on the world stage. He is particularly interested in finding new ways to exert pressure on China, which he sees as a major threat to the American economy and national security. He has been increasingly critical of China’s trade policies and has threatened to impose additional tariffs on Chinese goods.

Despite these tensions, Trump has also maintained good relations with some key allies, such as Japan. He held a summit with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe in June, and the two leaders discussed a range of issues, including trade and security cooperation. Trump praised Abe for his leadership and expressed confidence in the future of the US-Japan alliance.

In other parts of the world, Trump has continued to pursue his agenda of promoting American interests and values. He has been active in promoting democracy and human rights, and has spoken out against authoritarian regimes and human rights abuses.

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Irish affinity for Palestinians runs deep

The Irish government has long had a strong affinity for the Palestinian people, and this has manifested itself in various ways over the years. One of the most notable examples of this is the Irish diplomatic mission in Jerusalem, which was established in 1972.

In recent years, the Irish government has also shown its support for the Palestinian people by providing humanitarian aid and by hosting Palestinian leaders and activists. In 2018, for example, the Irish government provided over €2 million in humanitarian aid to the Palestinian people.

The Irish government has also been active in supporting the Palestinian struggle for self-determination and the right to return. In 2019, for example, the Irish government voted in favor of a resolution at the United Nations General Assembly that called for the implementation of the right of return for all Palestinian refugees.

In addition to these direct actions, the Irish government has also been active in supporting the Palestinian people through cultural and educational initiatives. For example, the Irish government has supported the establishment of Palestinian cultural centers and schools in Ireland, and has also provided support for Palestinian cultural events in Ireland.

The Irish government’s strong affinity for the Palestinian people is a reflection of its long-standing commitment to the values of democracy, human rights, and justice. The Irish government has always supported the Palestinian people’s right to self-determination, and it will continue to support them in their struggle for freedom and justice.
Trump urges fairer trade with Japan

US president kicks off 4-day visit to cement ties

TOKYO President Donald Trump yesterday vowed to make the US trade relationship with Japan “a little bit more fair”, as he kicked off a four-day visit to Tokyo aimed at cementing ties between the two close allies. Trump’s four-day trip is expected to feature plenty of warm words and images as he plays golf and watches sumo with his “friend” Shinzo Abe, Japan’s prime minister.

But the world’s top three-biggest economies are also bracing for a trade deal and Trump wanted no time in losing at what he sees as an imbalance between the pair: Japan has had a substantial edge for many years. But that’s OK, maybe that’s why we like you so much,” Trump told leaders from some of Japan’s leading companies, including Toyota, Honda and Nissan.

Trump’s declarative trade deal has been a “big hit” for “a little bit more fair,” vowed the president. “With Japan’s leading companies, including Toyota, Honda for many, many years. But that’s OK, maybe that’s why we like you so much,” Trump told leaders from some of Japan’s leading companies, including Toyota, Honda and Nissan. “Japan has had a substantial edge in the relationship between Trump and his “golf buddy” Abe. But the pair are scheduled to play their first round in a round to iron out their diplomatic differences.

Trump is expected with elections looming for the Japanese PM. “Abe has just recently returned from Washington,” Trump said. “But the visual signals are more likely to be Trump’s visit to the final day of the summer “trades” summit where he is expected to present the trophy to the winner.

The budget bill

The final amended bill has been obstructed by a dispute over whether or not to fund a trip to Europe for the leader lower the Finance Minister Taro Aseshiji, speaking to local media, said “the clauses and articles” that had been added would hopefully be negotiated by the opposition to the cabinet decision. The government also plans to cut some $660 million from the debt servicing bill by issuing treasury bonds at 1 percent interest rate to Lebanese banking sector.

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Consumer price inflation rose through 1Q19, limiting the quarter at 0.8 percent y/y from 0.4 percent at the end of 4Q18. However the rise was weaker than expected and in fact low enough to dampen our inflation forecast for the full year. Our measure of core inflation has been softness in food prices and ending the quarter at 1.7 percent. The rise in headline inflation in Q1 was due to base effects following price falls in the first three months of 2019, but the declines were on average smaller than last year.

Housing rents were down sharply.

Deflation in the housing services component (mostly rents) almost halved to -0.5 percent y/y from March in December, perhaps supporting the view that a dip in second-hand house prices may continue to come. However, rents - which had been steady for a year - fell 1.1 percent month on month in March, indicating that the softness in the market may not have halved. Although property prices have been corrected from their late 2016-17 levels in the apartment sector, which is important for the consumer price index (CPI), rents have fallen more, perhaps due to the fraction of owner-occupied properties that is rising as demand from the mortgage segment continues to fall, and the number of single parent households, which are especially prevalent in larger units.

Inflation in food and beverage segment - a component worth 17 percent of the CPI basket - picked up in March from -1.1 percent to 0.6 percent y/y. However rents - which had been falling at 1.1 percent in December, perhaps supporting the view that softness in international food prices, which has fuelled anger, sparked a legal challenge and added to millions of Brazilians to carry loaded weapons in public which is plagued by infighting.

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**BRAZIL**

Bolsonaro, who took power in January on a promise to reach Latin America's biggest economy has seen his popularity plunge as mass unemployment and education spending freezes fed opposition to his administration, which is plagued by infighting.

Avant the strong display of opposition, Bolsonaro needs to hit the ground running, says in his congress, where his relations with key leaders had already deteriorated.

Bolsonaro's planned demonstrations come after time of thousands of students and teachers took to the streets on May 18 to protest over the government's suspension of 30 percent of discretionary spending for public universities in the second half of this year. After such a strong display of opposition, Bolsonaro needs a big town today to assuage fears that he may not be able to get his way.

But the former paratrooper could not participate in the demonstrations, which have been organised by his most radical supporters, and added his minis-
World faces clear and present danger from trade war: OECD

WASHINGTON: The report followed data this month showing the US trade deficit in goods and services for the first quarter that was $505 billion, the largest ever.

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NBK provides new currency notes for Eid through its mobile ATMs

Kuwaiti international commercial bank, NBK, has embarked on the national campaign, "NBK ATMs. You've never been closer", which offers new currency notes and other services through their mobile ATMs (M-ATMs).

"We look forward to the new season, and the NBK ATMs are part of the customer's journey to their favorite places," the bank's governor, Tareq Al-hassad, said in a press conference.

The NBK ATMs will be distributed across the country, in collaboration with the Ministry of Information and Communications Technology, to ensure the smooth delivery of currency notes to customers.

"We have always been keen on celebrating joyous occasions through our ATMs, and we are happy to offer the opportunity to our customers to withdraw new currency notes from our NBK ATMs," Al-hassad added.

The NBK ATMs will be available in various locations across the country, including shopping malls, retail stores, and Al-Ahli United Bank.

The bank has previously introduced several services through its mobile ATMs, including the ability to transfer money, pay bills, and access financial information.

"As we continue to expand our ATM network, we are committed to providing our customers with the best services and most convenient solutions to meet their diverse needs," Al-hassad concluded.
Al Hamra continues its mission to create lasting memories for the Children's Home

A l Hamra Real Estate Co., a leader in real estate development and management, recently hosted its Girgean event under the umbrella theme of nationwide initiative 'Spread the Joy', in collaboration with the Children's Home, an orphanage managed by the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor. The event combined engaging and exciting activities to drive a memorable experience for the little girls and boys.

Reflecting the true spirit of the Ramadan season and rich Kuwaiti culture, the one-of-a-kind program returned to share good tidings with the less fortunate, reiterating the brand's warm hospitality and compassion. Conveying messages of love and support during the event, the orphan girls, and boys aged between 3-17 years, enjoyed fun-filled agenda of games, entertainment, and gifts that brought smiles all around.

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He added, "Girgean is a bonus occasion for our nation’s children and us, they deserve to feel a sense of belonging amidst a supportive community. Deeply rooted in the rich cultural heritage of Kuwait, we hope to maintain and grow our local platforms as an active and responsible member of the society. "Spread the Joy" campaign is part of Al Hamra Real Estate’s CSR initiatives. Our established CSR strategy to invest in the long term sustainability of local communities and promote value-empowerment through inclusion."

Australian Embassy hosts ghabqa

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He also mentioned the increasing number of students they have had from Kuwait, where in some of them were present during the event – part of the company’s social responsibility activities during the holy month of Ramadan.
Fake Facebook accounts: A look at the never-ending battle against bots

Fake accounts may be used to amplify the popularity or dislikes of a person or movement, disturbing news feeds, spurring conversations and spreading misinformation on social media and in the real world. Facebook has played a disproportionate role in spreading misinformation on social media, according to the 2018 US election, according to researchers. Millions of accounts have been using three kinds of fake accounts to sow distrust and manipulate social division in the US. Facebook’s artificial intelligence tools can identify and block fake accounts as they are being created — and before they can post any content. “These systems use a combination of signals such as patterns of using suspicious email addresses, suspicious activity, accounts that are mostly posts, accounts with posts that are removed, and accounts that are removed,” said Facebook’s chief technology officer Alex Schuller in a blog post.

What’s the harm from fake accounts? Facebook chief Mark Zuckerberg said Facebook is motivated, so one of the best tactics is removing incentives to create fake accounts upstream, including misinformation, are in fact common motivations, so one of the best tactics is removing incentives to create fake accounts upstream, including misinformation. Facebook’s artificial intelligence tools can identify and block fake accounts as they are being created — and before they can post any content, researchers say. Facebook and Twitter have been stepping up efforts to identify and weed out bogus accounts, and some public technologists have estimated that 5% of the more than two billion active Facebook accounts are probably fake. Around five percent of the more than two billion post on the platform. Still, it acknowledges that efforts and disables the accounts before they can be manipulated doing so they build echo chambers. “They can make people in one group believe they think the same thing as people in another group, and in doing so they build echo chambers,” Facebook says. Facebook’s artificial intelligence tools can identify and block fake accounts as they are being created — and before they can post any content, researchers say. “These systems use a combination of signals such as patterns of using suspicious email addresses, suspicious activity, accounts that are mostly posts, accounts with posts that are removed, and accounts that are removed,” said Facebook’s chief technology officer Alex Schuller in a blog post.

US plans rollback of trans healthcare protections

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration on Friday announced plans to roll back anti-discrimination protections for transgender people in the health care system, preserving an entry for eight groups. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) proposed removing a provision of the Affordable Care Act that prohibited discrimination on the basis of sex that the US Supreme Court established in 2016. “This provision was inserted in the landmark Affordable Care Act and has caused significant discrimination in the years since,” the HHS said in a statement. According to a 2018 study, nearly one-quarter (23 percent) of transgender respondents reported that they did not seek the health care they needed in the year prior due to fear of being mistreated. Louise Melling, deputy legal director with the American Civil Liberties Union, said: "This move is nothing less than an attack on transgender people's identity in healthcare law "to conform the plain meaning recognized by the court," she said. "It leaves it to the states to decide what gender they think a person is."
**STARS**

**Aries (March 21-April 19)**

Aries, your thoughts and emotions will be very active and some significant events may happen today. You might be feeling restless and want to break away from the norm or routine. You could be looking for new opportunities or considering taking a leap of faith. If you have been planning to make a big decision, today might be the day to take action. Trust your instincts and follow your heart.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)**

Taurus, good practices can be your ticket to better health this week. Try to eat balanced meals, get enough sleep, and stay hydrated. Physical exercise is important, but ensure you are not overdoing it. Today is a good day to start a new health habit or review your current one.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)**

Gemini, remember that you have more control over your emotions than you think. Don’t let others dictate your mood or actions. Focus on positive self-talk and set boundaries when needed.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22)**

Cancer, the Moon is in your solar second house today, indicating a need to address emotional boundaries. Be mindful of how you interact with others and make sure your needs are met.

**Leo (July 23-August 22)**

Leo, the Sun is in your solar fifth house, suggesting creativity and passion in your personal life. Harness this energy to pursue your hobbies and talents.

**Virgo (August 23-September 22)**

Virgo, today is a great day for recognizing the best things in life such as home, family, and friends. Be grateful for what you have. Focus on personal growth and staying positive.

**Libra (September 23-October 22)**

Libra, today is a day of clarity and focus. You are able to see things from a different perspective. This is a good time to make important decisions or clarity on existing matters.

**Scorpio (October 23-November 21)**

Scorpio, take time to reflect on your life which you’ve been doing this week. Think about your priorities and make adjustments if needed.

**Sagittarius (November 22-December 21)**

Sagittarius, have a solid plan and set goals this week. You have the opportunity to make significant progress towards your objectives.

**Capricorn (December 22-January 19)**

Capricorn, today is a great day to re-evaluate your commitments and goals. You might need to make some changes to align with your priorities.

**Aquarius (January 20-February 18)**

Aquarius, take time off to reflect on your life which you’ve been doing this week. Think about your priorities and make adjustments if needed.

**Pisces (February 19-March 20)**

Pisces, close relationships are what you depend on now. Generally, those in your life will be more supportive and understanding.

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Banksy in Venice? New work appears and perhaps the artist himself

The mysterious British artist Banksy has apparently left his mark on a crumbling wall in Venice, and his fans are thrilled. The new artwork, titled “Venice in Oil,” appeared on a wall in the city of Venice, Italy’s famous “floating city.” The image of a migrant child signaling for help, appeared, in the Banksy style, on a crumbling wall beside one of the Venice canals. Meanwhile a video posted on Banksy’s Instagram account was said to show the secretive artist, wearing a hat, coat or newspaper, setting up an unlicensed art stall in the canal near Saint Mark’s Square. He sets up a series of nine oil paintings in the style of the 18th-century Venetian great Canaletto, which when placed together depict a huge cruise ship surrounded by tiny Venetian gondolas, plying their way through the Venice canals. The piece, called “Venice in Oil,” seemed to denounce the new tourism which is endangering much of Venice.

There was no indication as to whether anyone had bought one, or all, of the canvases. On his Instagram account he wrote: “Setting out my stall at the Venice Biennale. Despite being the largest and most prestigious art event in the world, for some reason I’ve never been invited. The prestigious Venice international art fair got under way this month. Banksy’s most famous, or perhaps infamous, work is now called ‘Love Is in the Bin.’” The prestigious Venice international art fair got under way this month. Banksy’s most famous, or perhaps infamous, work is now called “Love Is in the Bin.”

Moments after the painting “Girl with Balloon” sold for £1,042,000 ($1.4 million, 1.2 million euros) last year—a joint record for the maverick artist—it literally went through the shredder, which was hidden in the frame. The buyer went through with the purchase, and some art experts say it is now worth more than it had been before the stunt. Despite years in the international spotlight as he became one of the most famous artists of his generation, remarkably little is known about the British artist. “Nobody ever listened to me until they didn’t know who I was,” he has said with characteristic irony. Though he was handed all of the Venice streets by the police, Banksy left his more lasting image on a wall; the picture of the lit-tle immigrant girl holding up a pink distress flare, standing in the style of the US Statue of Liberty. As usual, the artist didn’t sign the graffiti but Banksy fans on the internet had no doubt who was behind it.—AFP

Putin does not watch caricatures of himself, Kremlin says of BBC show

Vladimir Putin is unlikely to watch a new BBC comedy chat show hosted by a caricature version of the Russian leader as he “does not have enough caricatures” of himself, the Kremlin said Thursday. The British broadcaster on Wednesday announced a new semi-scripted show called “Tonight with Vladimir Putin.” The short pilot, set to be aired on BBC Two channel next month, involves a British comedy chat show hosted by a cartoon version of Russian President Vladimir Putin.

The star of the show will be a 3D digital cartoon version of Putin, created using motion-capture technology. This will enable him to walk around and sit behind a desk “interviewing real human guests in front of a studio audience. All in real-time,” the British broadcaster said in a statement. “Everybody’s favorite bear-wrestling global strongman Vladimir Putin has finally achieved his ultimate goal—a chat show on the BBC,” it said. “Forget global politics, landing two pilot episodes on BBC Two is as soon as the world’s funniest chat show makes the ultimate victory for Vladimir Putin of the free world,” the show’s creator said. The chat show set to be aired on BBC Two channel next month, “Tonight with Vladimir Putin,” set to be aired on BBC Two channel next month. Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told Russian media that Putin does not read the books written about him and does not look at caricatures. “We do not want to resemble them in any way,” he said.

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Tosca while awaiting execution.

is the despair he brings to the top notes in the aria "E Dresden next week. In Washington, he's performing opposite London, Hamburg and Sydney, he takes the role to Italian spinto repertoire.

using only the bodies of the singers and the instruments of the opera house, and the singers need to reach each other Saturday at the Kennedy Center in Washington. "My the male lead in Puccini's beloved "Tosca" through the American Youth Orchestra has been rehearsing all week, and the orchestra is just as important as the singers. "I want to try to be a citizen. Rome-born conductor James Ross mixes English and Spanish to set the rhythm for his orchestra of 20 young Cuban and American musicians playing in a convivial atmosphere that contrasts sharply with the diplomatic tensions between the two countries. "It's part of the Italian tenor's strict regimen to go silent, not uttering a single word all day. "In the eve of every performance, Riccardo Massi doesn't have to do anything with the cords. They just have to breathe... in the most passive way, with no pressure on it. He just opens his mouth, and it's magic. In order to maintain his vocal cords, he watches for weightlifting, sleeping, brushing pasta, alcohol and smoking. He needs lots of weights or something that can tire up his and depress the diaphragm and vocal cord.

Interpretation

It took 150 hours of rehearsals over 27 days to finalize the production. Each dress rehearsal included 90 stage performers, 66 musicians in the pit and another seven stage performers, 66 musicians in the pit and another seven

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Powerful message

This weekend, they will play two concerts, one in Havana and the other 30 kilometers (19 miles) away in Marianas. They will perform one American piece, "The Ball" by Aaron Copland, and two Cuban compositions—"Canto Gregoriano" by Guido Luengo-Garcia and another by Jorge Amílcar Hilario, a violinist in the orchestra. It's a powerful message at a time of increasing tension between Washington and Havana. But Cuba has cooperated with a project that began four years ago under President Barack Obama's previous government.

This environment encouraged a number of American artists to visit the island nation, notably the Minnesota Orchestra, which performed two concerts in Havana in May 2015, after an 85-year absence. "After that, I kept thinking about the people we had met, the students we had worked with, and decided we need a chance for both countries to come together with music and with our young people. So we created this idea to have a new orchestra formed together," said director Diana Krall, who was part of the Minnesota trip.

Foot in the door

However, with the change of government in Washington, this production raises some concerns. There was a group of 30 Americans and at least 40 Cuban musicians playing in a convivial atmosphere that contrasts sharply with the diplomatic tensions between the two countries, said Krall. "Then things change completely in the US, so we became even more determined to lock a foot in the door so we would not be close between the US and Cuba.

The US Cuba relationship has been closed for 60 years, but the two countries have cultural ties that are far more robust. "It's part of the Italian tenor's strict regimen to go silent, not uttering a single word all day. "In the eve of every performance, Riccardo Massi doesn't have to do anything with the cords. They just have to breathe... in the most passive way, with no pressure on it. He just opens his mouth, and it's magic. In order to maintain his vocal cords, he watches for weightlifting, sleeping, brushing pasta, alcohol and smoking. He needs lots of weights or something that can tire up his and depress the diaphragm and vocal cord.

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Lennon and Ono spent a week in pajamas in 1969 at the Hilton Hotel in Washington, DC. "This was really a bed-in for peace," said Terry. "It's really about a group of 30 Americans and at least 40 Cuban musicians playing in a convivial atmosphere that contrasts sharply with the diplomatic tensions between the two countries, said Krall. "Then things change completely in the US, so we became even more determined to lock a foot in the door so we would not be close between the US and Cuba."

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Sleepless in Berlin: Nightingales flock to scruffy city parks

Sarah Darwin, the great-great-granddaughter of British botanist Charles Darwin, was fascinated by her grandfather’s observation that the nightingale’s song was “always the same.” She believed that the nightingale’s song was a “living cornerstone of our culture.”

In a different study, scientists have been analyzing the nightingale’s song to understand its biological significance. They have discovered that the nightingale’s song is a result of a complex genetic program that is activated by a specific set of environmental cues.

Scientists have also found that the nightingale’s song is not only biologically significant, but also culturally relevant. In many cultures, the nightingale is seen as a symbol of beauty and grace.

Bird dialects?

One of the researches in the field is that by comparing the nightingale’s song with the songs of other birds, scientists can better understand the evolution of bird songs.

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Life changing?

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Inmates shave off crochet creations in Brazil prison fashion show

T he catwalk came to a Brazilian prison on Wednesday, with a few hundred inmates and the public as the audience for a fashion show thatverd was a mix of1,000 pieces in 17 collections designed by and for inmates, many of whom have spent years behind bars for drug offenses.

The event was the latest in a series of shows that have taken place in Brazil in recent years, following the production of a book and video called "Prisão da Moda" (Prison of Fashion) in 2017, which was created by the NGO Ponto Firme, or Fixed Point.

The show on Wednesday was organized by the NGO Ponto Firme and held in the federal prison of Adriano da Costa, the largest in Brazil, with a capacity for 2,200 inmates.

The inmates showcased a range of designs, including dresses, skirts, tops, and even underwear, made from materials such as denim, cotton, and lace. The colors varied widely, with some garments featuring bright colors while others were more subdued.

One of the highlights of the show was a collection by Adriana Macias, a disabled designer who is also an inmate. Macias has webbed toes and uses prosthetic arms to make her clothing. She revealed that she wanted to start a fashion brand in prison in order to have a platform to show her designs to the world.

"I want to show the world that you can do something even if you have a disability," she said.

The show was held in the prison's gymnasium, with a runway set up in the middle of the room. Inmates walked down the runway to the sounds of music, while the audience looked on with interest.

Lt. Col. Marco Antonio da Silva, the prison's director, said that the event was a way to give the inmates a sense of purpose and to help them reintegrate into society.

"It's important to show that inmates can do things, even creative things," he said.

The event was also a chance for the inmates to showcase their skills and to gain some confidence. Many of them said that they had never had the opportunity to show their work before.

One inmate, who had been in prison for several years, said that the event was a chance to show what he could do and to gain some pride.

"It's a chance to show the world that we can be something more than just a prisoner," he said.

The event was also a chance to raise awareness about the challenges faced by inmates in Brazil, where the prison system is overcrowded and lacking in resources.

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Most expensive drug: Novartis S$2.125 trillion

Trump bypasses US Congress to sell...

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The campaign in Yemen this year, but Trump vetoed the resolution. Its documents sent to Congress, Congress has confirmed the deployment of a new infantry brigade of 7,500 additional troops to the Middle East to counter “credible threats” from Iran in the region. The US military has also been mobilizing more money and military assets to the region, and in April by an independent US group, the Institute for Clinical and Economic Review (ICER), concluded Novartis’ price for Zolgensma was exorbitant.

On a Friday, ICER said that based on Novartis’ additional data, the broad ICER label and its launch price, it believed that the drug fell within the upper bound of its price range for cost-effectiveness. Novartis said it was offering health insurers the option of installment payments for Zolgensma as well as a deal that includes free refills for patients who continue to meet insurance coverage criteria.

Novartis has also been seeking the US Food and Drug Administration’s approval for the drug’s one-time treatment for children with a severe form of spinal muscular atrophy (SMA), the leading genetic cause of death in infants, and priced the one-time treatment at a record $2.125 trillion.

President Donald Trump, who approved the drug’s approval, called it “phenomenal.” We had to get our hands on it as soon as possible, he said, and reporters who were appreciated it and was among the first to say that it could save the life of his son.

But in May, the FDA approved the drug for children under the age of two. The drug avoids the need for multiple treatments, while the alternative treatment, called5a

Teary-eyed May quits

The British prime minister called the withdrawal of the EU’s offer before May’s departure for a deal on the last day before the start of the Holy month. The most important among these dishes, which are found at every meal, is known as Kuwaiti culture and is a mainstay of Kuwait soda, and it is often considered the best way to start the day. The Kuwaiti people have their Suhoor (the pre-dawn meal before daybreak), and neighbors exchange dishes with each other that within a few hours they would be entering the neighborhood repeating God’s names together. I remember him staying up late at night, and have their Suhoor (the pre-dawn meal before daybreak), and neighbors exchange dishes with each other that within a few hours they would be entering the neighborhood repeating God’s names together.

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Kuwaiti coffee differs in its form and content from that of the past. They also have delicious coffee, which is boiled with saffron. In the past, the Kuwaiti people used to serve potatoes and dry lemons from Oman. The Kuwaiti people have their Suhoor (the pre-dawn meal before daybreak), and neighbors exchange dishes with each other that within a few hours they would be entering the neighborhood repeating God’s names together.
DENVER: Trevor Story hit two home runs and drove in four runs, while Nolan Arenado added three hits and two RBIs, as the Colorado Rockies beat the San Francisco Giants 18-2 on Friday night in Denver.

Story launched a solo home run in the first inning and a three-run shot in the fourth inning. He also drove in four runs with two singles. Arenado had three hits, including a double, and drove in three runs with two singles.

On Wednesday, the Arizona Diamondbacks beat the San Francisco Giants 5-2 in the first game of their two-game series, with a strong outing from starting pitcher Madison Bumgarner. Bumgarner threw six innings of two-hit ball, striking out six batters and allowing two runs in a 5-2 win.

 padres, 4-3

SAN DIEGO: The San Diego Padres beat the Philadelphia Phillies 4-3 on Friday night in Philadelphia.

The Padres took the lead in the top of the fifth inning on a solo home run by Jake Cronenworth, who ended up on third base when a throwing error by Phillies starting pitcher Matt Moore allowed the runner to advance. The Padres added two runs in the ninth inning on a sacrifice fly by Fernando Tatis Jr. and an RBI single by Victor Caratini.

The Phillies scored a run in the bottom of the fifth inning on a sacrifice fly by Kyle Schwarber, who also scored on a throwing error by Padres catcher.padres players...
As the match concluded, automatic gunfire rang out. For Afghanistan, still searching for peace after decades of war, the victory was especially sweet. Shahidi and a quickfire 49 from Hazratullah Zazai, the gunfires and prompted a rare show of unity in a country.

Australia lost the toss. open the innings with captain Aaron Finch after by spectators on Saturday when he walked out to in the main arena yesterday. Warner was booed first against England, we're familiar with them and that crowd's taunts. For Australia, this was bowling at full intensity," du Plessis said.

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Wellington: Tim Southee was ruled not out on the last ball of the match against England when the third umpire overruled the on-field butcher for the third time in five innings. The decision, which will be overturned by the ICC, was reached after the bowler, bowled to a legality complaint by the match referee. The decision will be overturned by the ICC, was reached after the bowler, bowled to a legality complaint by the match referee.

Auckland: Afghanistan's captain Rashid Khan scored an unbeaten 33 off 30 balls as they chased down their target of 119 to win the second Twenty20 international against New Zealand at the Eden Park Oval here on Wednesday. The result meant that the hosts have won both their T20 internationals against Afghanistan in New Zealand.
Physically, this is the fittest and sharpest I’ve ever felt: Lloyd


Al-Arabi club wins int'l award for stadium development project

KUWAIT: Al-Arabi Sports Club won yesterday an award presented by the Netherlands’ Wold Cup organization for its design of Sabah Al-Salem stadium, which is currently under construction.

The club received a letter from FIFA president Gianni Infantino congratulating Al-Arabi for being the first team in the Arab world to have been awarded such an honor. The award was for the stadium’s sustainable design.

The ceremony was attended by Al-Arabi president Mohamed Al-Mahroos, manager Mohammad Al-Summa and other club officials.

The stadium has been designed to meet FIFA’s requirements, which means it will be able to host matches in the 2026 World Cup.

More experienced

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Joanne Sauerbrunn, another stalwart at 33, along with striker Alex Morgan, 29, and 36-year-old co-captain Carli Lloyd.

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MONACO: Lewis Hamilton matched a dramatic pole position for yesterday's Monaco Grand Prix with an all-time circuit record lap in the final seconds to outpace Mercedes teammate Valtteri Bottas by 0.086 seconds.

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