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Pair of big-time coaches clash in big game

Michigan's Harbaugh, Ohio State's Meyer face off. **In Sports**

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Pelosi fights for return to House speaker role

Former speaker has had to shore up support from fellow Democrats

Trump: 9th Circuit makes nation unsafe

Appeals court has blocked several of his border and immigration orders

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Bill Nye: Humans won't live on Mars

Famous educator says terraforming the red planet is "science fiction"

Toys R Us sets up fund for employees

Some former workers will receive severance pay from \$20 million pool

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Make-or-break time for Tannehill, Winston

Both face uncertain futures that could hinge on their play in final six weeks

IN LIFE

'Creed II' rekindles Cold War emotions

Brian Truitt: Drama outside the boxing ring packs the most punch in sequel



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ALCOHOL IN AMERICA

Drinking deaths on the rise - 85% higher among women

Jayne O'Donnell
USA TODAY

OAKTON, Va. - The last time lawyer Erika Byrd talked her way out of an alcohol rehab center, her father took her to lunch.

"Dad, I know what alcohol has done to me," she told him that day in January 2011. "I know what it has made me do to you and Mom. But that wasn't me."

By the time she died three months later, Byrd had blocked her parents'

Hitting rock bottom

Reporter reflects on past as she embraces future. **Opinion, 7A.**

calls because they kept having her involuntarily committed. They once had a magistrate judge hold a hearing at her hospital bed. He ordered her to undergo a month of inpatient treatment.

Byrd, who died in April 2011 at the age of 42, is among the rising number of

people in the USA who have been killed by alcohol in the past decade.

It's an increase that has been obscured by the opioid epidemic. Alcohol kills more people each year than overdoses - through cancer, liver cirrhosis, pancreatitis and suicide, among other ways.

From 2007 to 2017, the number of deaths attributable to alcohol increased 35 percent, according to a new

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A heritage hidden in plain sight?



"American Muslims haven't been great at explaining our side, at engaging with folks," says Amir Muhammad, founder and chief curator of America's Islamic Heritage Museum in southeast Washington, DC. JACK GRUBER/USA TODAY

History of Muslim migration to US often goes untold, some say

Kim Hjelmgaard
USA TODAY

WASHINGTON - In a small airless hallway, the light kept flickering. Nearby, a smoke alarm periodically chirped: the batteries needed changing. Several of the glass displays that housed Qurans from around the world were dusty. The view of



Amir Muhammad

the front entrance from the road was run-down liquor-store chic. Except, without the chic.

One of the greatest stories never told about the long history of Muslim immigration to the United States is actually being told most days by Amir Muhammad, the founder and chief curator of

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Shoppers, get set: Black Friday's here

Charisse Jones and Zlati Meyer
USA TODAY

And they're off. The holiday shopping frenzy has officially begun with the five-day stretch that started on Thanksgiving Day and crosses the finish line Cyber Monday.

In the age of Amazon, retailers are increasingly turning to tech to make shopping, whether online or in an actual store, as quick and simple as possible.

This year marks the first time Macy's will have mobile checkout at all of its stores. The Gap, Old Navy, Banana

Republic, and Athleta also are equipping employees at most locations with devices to check out customers on the spot.

And at Walmart, a digital map within the store app will pinpoint the exact lo-

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