

Spinal Tap band members back on stage for final gig

Cast recalls appearances by Elton John and Paul McCartney in mockumentary sequel. **In Life**

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Column: Remarks after loss read like that of a coach waiting on a buyout check. **In Sports**



APPLE CEO TIM COOK BY MANUEL ORBEGOZO/REUTERS

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Trump targeting unlawful hiring

Push could complicate U.S. manufacturing goal

Trevor Hughes and Lauren Villagran USA TODAY

Behind the shocking sight of hundreds of South Korean workers being chained and detained at a Georgia battery factory is the Trump administration’s other target: companies that hire illegal workers.

While President Donald Trump has launched sweeping immigration raids on a promise to deliver the largest mass deportation in history, administration officials are also taking a harder line against employers they say cheat American workers by hiring undocumented immigrants.

Since 1986, employers have been required to verify workers’ eligibility to work, and can be fined or jailed if caught knowingly breaking the law. But enforcement has typically focused on the workers, not those who hire them.

Because company owners and managers have rarely been prosecuted or penalized, Trump officials say some employers are too willing to exploit desperate workers through lower pay

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Religious leaders gather in downtown Chicago on Sept. 8 to denounce federal immigration raids in the city. SCOTT OLSON/GETTY IMAGES

Immigrants in Chicago are terrorized, advocates say

Michael Loria USA TODAY

CHICAGO – President Donald Trump’s Operation Midway Blitz is hitting a fever pitch as local leaders claim immigrants are being snatched off the street by federal agents looking to root out violent criminals.

The White House vehemently argues that the Chicago operation is aimed at targeting undocumented immigrants who have committed crimes, but local community members say it’s causing fear among law-abiding neighbors. At least four people have been arrested, according to the Department of Homeland Security.

“These abductions were seemingly random, with agents profiling and approaching community members on

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Some dub her front yard ‘unsightly,’ but this homeowner is fighting to save the pollinator-friendly space

It’s getting wild in suburban New York



Aimee Kemp and her son, Auron, have made a native plant garden of their yard. Though it restores native habitats, their yard has been cited by their Long Island village government for being “unsightly.” PHOTOS BY EDUARDO CUEVAS/USA TODAY

Eduardo Cuevas USA TODAY

WILLISTON PARK, NY

A pristine, evergreen lawn has long been the dream of American suburban homeowners, but in recent years, a new ideal has begun to sprout in yards across the country. • Some call it rewilding and say it cuts down on water bills, reduces flooding, restores habitats and supports helpful bugs. Others see the lawns as messy, weedy and even illegal.

• The issue is coming to a head this summer in a suburb outside New York City, where one science teacher is defending her family’s native plants against an onslaught of criticism from village officials. Aimee Kemp, 37, had a court appearance Sept. 3 and pleaded not guilty to citations she received from the village of Williston Park. See REWILDING, Page 4A



Aimee Kemp points out the native flowers she has planted around her Long Island home.

Parents are quietly trying ketamine therapy for kids

Despite risks, it seems to help mental health

Rachel Hale USA TODAY

Jacintha was at her wits’ end. Her daughter was struggling, and they had tried everything – two types of antidepressants, years of talk therapy and weeks of an intensive outpatient program.

She was frantically Googling one night when she came across an article

about ketamine therapy. Jacintha, a horseback rider, was familiar with ketamine as a horse tranquilizer but had never heard of it as a last-stop mental health treatment for treatment-resistant patients like Lucy, who was diagnosed with depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder and post-traumatic stress disorder.

There was only one thing: Most ketamine users are in their 30s or older. Lucy was just 16.

“When people are desperate, you’re

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Most therapeutic ketamine users are in their 30s or older, but Lucy (shown with mom Jacintha) was 16 when she started. PROVIDED BY JACINTHA AND LUCY