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HOLDING THE SPOTLIGHT

Jackson greets supporters at the Superdome in New Orleans during his first presidential run in 1984.

THE REV. JESSE JACKSON, 1941 – 2026

# Powerful voice for racial justice

An orator with a flair for rhyme, the civil rights leader was the first Black presidential candidate to attract a major following

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The Rev. Jesse Jackson, a child of Southern segregation who rose to national prominence as a powerful voice for Black economic and racial equality, has died.

Jackson, who had battled the neurodegenerative condition progressive supranuclear palsy for more than a decade, died at home Tuesday surrounded by family. His daughter, Santita Jackson, confirmed his death

with the Associated Press. He was 84. Jackson was originally diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2017 before the PSP diagnosis was confirmed in April.

"Our father was a servant leader — not only to our family, but to the oppressed, the voiceless, and the overlooked around the world," the Jackson family said in a statement posted online. "We shared him with the world, and in return, the world became part of our extended family. His unwavering belief in justice, equality, and love uplifted millions, and we ask you to honor his memory by continuing the

fight for the values he lived by."

Handsome and dynamic, an orator with a flair for memorable rhyme, Jackson was the first Black candidate for president to attract a major following, declaring in 1984 that "our time has come" and drawing about 3.5 million votes in Democratic primaries — roughly 1 in 5 of those cast.

Four years later, using the slogan "Keep hope alive," he ran again, winning 7 million votes, second only to the eventual nominee, Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis. His hourlong speech at the 1988 Democratic Na-

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# Canadians still avoiding Palm Springs

Tourism sector feels the chill from snowbirds unhappy with Trump

By HAILEY  
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It is the peak of the so-called high season in Palm Springs, that busy time of year when the glorious winter sunshine beckons Canadian snowbirds who flock to enjoy desert condos, golf courses and poolside martinis.

Most years.

Palm Springs has felt a chill this winter from Canadian tourists, who are largely boycotting travel to the United States because of their disdain for President Trump and his aggression



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**BANNERS** in Palm Springs last year show support for Canadians, who spend millions in the region.

toward their country.

"Our friends at home said, 'No, don't go!'" said Lois Chapman, a longtime annual visitor from Ontario province who came to Palm Springs this month for a shortened stay with her husband after initially planning to cancel their trip altogether.

Chapman said that her flight from Toronto in early February was mostly empty and that there was a palpable decline in Canadian tourists in the desert town.

"Canada, I think, is just feeling hurt. It's the climate these days," said Chapman.

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# Warner reopens bidding, gives Paramount 7 days to make its case

The larger showbiz conglomerate also sets a March 20 deadline for shareholder vote.

By MEG JAMES

Warner Bros. Discovery is cracking open the door to allow spurned bidder Paramount Skydance to make its case that it should win the legendary entertainment

company — the latest twist in the contentious, high-stakes auction.

Warner's decision to reopen talks comes after weeks of pressure from Paramount and its controlling shareholder, scion David Ellison and his billionaire father, tech mogul Larry Ellison. The Ellisons, who took control of Paramount last August, are refusing to concede defeat in their campaign to buy Warner Bros. Discovery to build a media

behemoth.

Last week, Paramount submitted an enhanced offer to buy Warner and told Warner executives that it was prepared to raise its bid even higher.

Paramount's willingness to hike its offer late in the process attracted attention of some Warner investors and challenged the Warner board's steadfast embrace of a competing bid by Netflix.

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## String of storms and hazards

More rain is expected this week, but high winds could be a bigger worry on Wednesday, forecasters say.

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## A heist gone wrong in L.A.

Gunmen stormed a Fashion District store and killed worker. They took nothing but left a clue.

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## Weather

Windy; a late shower. L.A. Basin: 60/44. **B5**

## OpenAI can't use Cameo name

The celebrity video platform wins a preliminary injunction in court.

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MILAN-CORTINA OLYMPICS

# Curling scandal could alter the sport's culture

By Kevin Baxter



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**MARC KENNEDY** of Canada was accused of cheating in his team's victory against Sweden on Friday.

MILAN — Cheating has been part of the Olympics since the ancient games, when violators were punished with fines, public flogging or lifetime bans.

This month's Milan-Cortina Games have hardly been an exception.

Before the competition had even begun, a German magazine said unnamed ski jumpers were injecting hyaluronic acid into their penises in an effort to fly farther. Officials dismissed that as a wild rumor, but the World Anti-Doping Agency said it was willing to look into the matter just the same.

Yet that was just a minor kerfuffle compared with the outcry that erupted when some Canadian curlers were accused of cheating, a great breach of etiquette that has led to calls for additional officials and even video reviews in a polite sport where competitors have traditionally called their own fouls.

The foul in question is called double-touching.

[See Curling, A10]

# Bass calls on Wasserman to quit LA28 post

It's 'unfortunate' the Olympic committee is standing by chairman, mayor tells CNN.

By DAKOTA SMITH

Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass said in an interview Monday that she does not want embattled mogul Casey Wasserman running the 2028 Summer Games.

Bass told CNN's Dana Bash that it was "unfortunate" that the organizers of the Los Angeles Olympics are supporting Wasserman amid revelations that he exchanged flirty emails two decades ago with later-convicted sex trafficker Ghislaine Maxwell.

Bass initially declined to take a position on the drama surrounding Wasserman, saying two weeks ago that it was up to the board of the LA28 Olympics — the non-profit behind the Games — to decide whether to keep him.

But Monday, Bass offered a new take on Wasserman's fate.

"My opinion is that he

should step down," Bass said. "That's not the opinion of the board."

She said that "we need to look at the leadership" of LA28 and that her job is to make sure that the city is "completely prepared" for the Games.

Representatives for LA28 and Wasserman didn't respond to requests for comment.

Wasserman has previously apologized for his correspondence with Maxwell and expressed regret for having any association with both her and financier Jeffrey Epstein. The exchanges took place before Maxwell's crimes became known and before she was sentenced to prison for luring teenage girls to be sexually abused by Epstein.

Wasserman announced last week that he would sell his sports and entertainment company because of backlash over the email exchanges.

Also last week, the executive committee of the LA28 board announced that it reviewed the mogul's past conduct and determined that based on the facts and his

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# Colbert says CBS barred interview

The network cited FCC equal-time rules to keep a Democrat off his show, he says.

By CERYS DAVIES

Late night comedian Stephen Colbert called out his network, CBS, saying it blocked him from broadcasting an interview with a Democratic U.S. Senate candidate over the Trump administration's controversial enforcement of its equal-time rules.

During his Monday night monologue on "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert," Colbert carried on per usual, introducing the Late Show Band and his guest Jennifer Garner. He then posed the question, "You know who is not one of my guests tonight?"

The late-night host was meant to have Texas state Rep. James Talarico on the show. But he said on air that he was "told in no uncertain terms by our network's lawyers, who called us directly, that we could not have him

on the broadcast."

He continued to explain the FCC's new guidance for equal-time rules under its chairman, Brendan Carr. The rules require broadcasters who feature political candidates to provide the same time to their rivals, if requested.

Typically, news content on daytime and late-night talk shows has been excluded from these regulations, as it has been an informal tradition for presidential candidates to make their rounds on various late-night shows.

But the FCC under Carr — who has made no secret of his intention to carry out an agenda that is aligned with President Trump's wishes — has questioned whether late-night and daytime talk shows deserve an exemption from the equal-time rules for broadcast stations using the public airwaves.

Many legal and media experts have said a stricter application of the rule would be hard to enforce and could stifle free speech.

"Let's just call this what it is. Donald Trump's adminis-

[See Colbert, A13]

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