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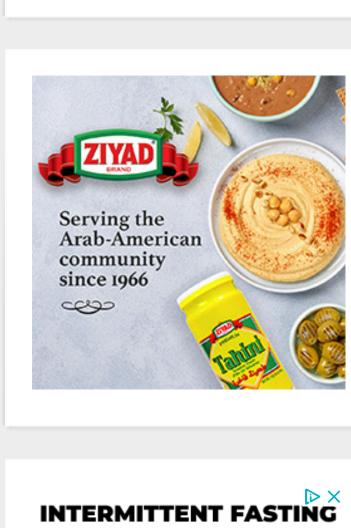
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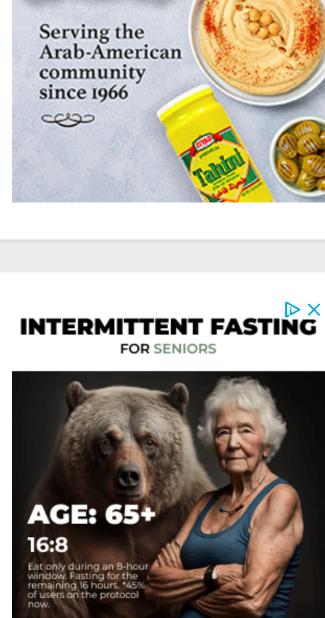
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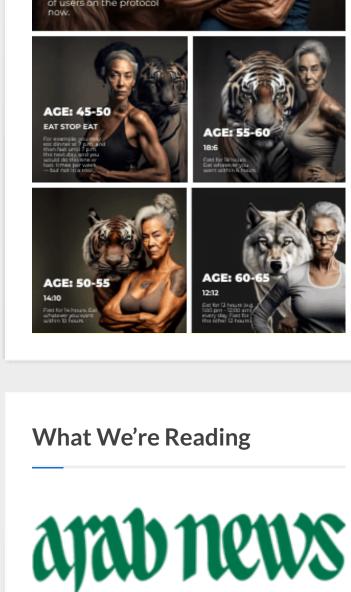
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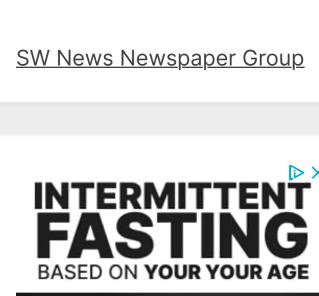
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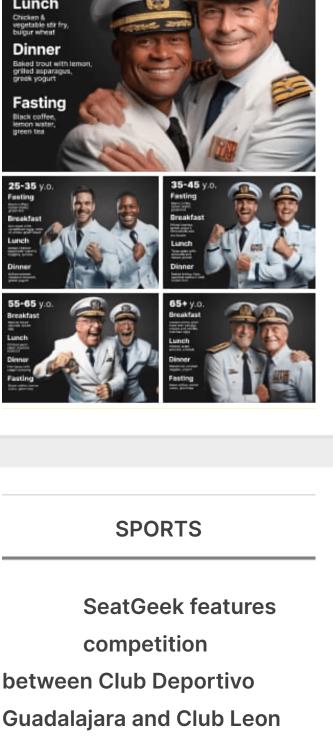


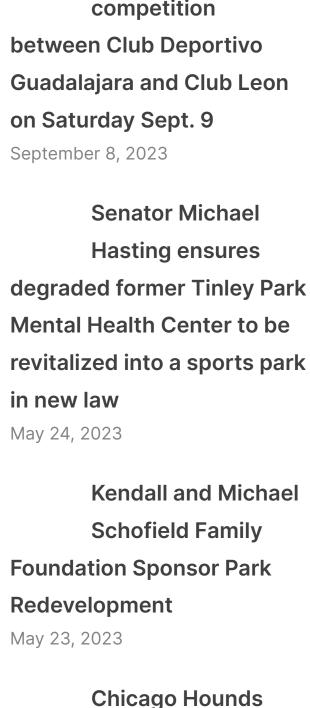


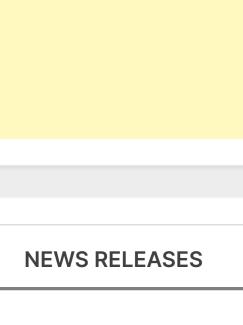


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At a packed, star-studded gala/70th birthday party held at

the 'London,' Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. (Bobby) was awarded

the 2024 Orphan Dream Award. The MC of the event was

In its eighth year, the Orphan Dream Award has been

Minutes" for his work in curing Sickle Cell Disease.

Tony Lyons, CEO of Skyhorse Publishing.

presented to people who make a difference in rare or "Orphan Diseases." Some past recipients of this award include: Chicago Improv -Dr. John Tisdale of the NIH: Dr. Tisdale was featured on "60"

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Robert F. Kennedy Jr., candidate for President in the 2024 Presidential election. Photo courtesy of Wikipedia

-Dr. Lucio Luzzatto, former Chairman of the Ethics Committee of the American Society for Gene Therapy. Dr. Luzzatto is author of countless medical pieces, the former Chairman of the Department of Human Genetics and as Attending Physician in Genetics and Hematology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, and has worked with Sickle Cell Disease patients at the Muhimbili University Center in Dar es Salaam -Dr. Franco Locatelli, head of Italy's Health Department -Dr. Michel Sadelain, the 2024 winner of the Breakthrough Prize in Life Sciences (\$3,000,000) The iconic "London West Hollywood at Beverly Hills" was

Among their many kind gestures, in the name of their son,

Knowing that Mr. Girondi would perform in Italy, at Matera's

magical "Casa Cava," the VanHoutans asked Mr. Girondi to

sing for Noah and all the children who have succumbed and

A rare event for Southern Italy, snow, resulted in the

cancellation of Patrick Girondi's 2017 Italian Christmas

the VanHoutan family gifted a Versace jacket to

singer/songwriter Patrick Girondi.

are suffering from the affliction.

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Orphan Dream Award.

overflowing with the who's who of Hollywood. In attendance

were countless film and show producers as well as writers

and actors, including Oliver Stone, George Nelson, Cheryl

Hines (Bobby's wife), pianist Greg Spero, singer Patrick

The idea of the Orphan Dream Award started with the

VanHoutan Family of "Noah's Hope." Over the years, The

Noah's Hope organization has funded millions in research for

"Battens" disease, a rare neurological affliction which mostly

Jennifer and Tracy lost their son Noah to the ruthless and

unforgiving disease. Noah, a fighter to the end, succumbed

The family was featured on "CBS's" episode highlighting how

Jen and Tracy VanHoutan, in the face of tragedy, selflessly

Girondi, Mel Gibson and others.

claims its victims in their teens.

on March 26, 2016.

helped others.

the time she was teaching at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. She made a bronze sculpture depicting Patrick Girondi in the gifted Versace jacket, to present to the VanHoutan family. Over four years, she created 96 sculptures. Many of the sculptures were sold to top art collectors and galleries such as Linda Warren Projects.

Each and every year, Euker donates a sculpture, which is the

Megan Euker, two-time Fulbright grant recipient, artist and

"Every year we search the world for exemplary folks to be

awarded. For his contributions to humanity; devotion to

fearlessness to speak against injustice; and fighting for

health issues in his David versus Big Pharma battle, each and

The entire room was quiet, as if it were completely empty.

Euker continued, "The 2024 Orphan Dream Award goes to

bettering the United States healthcare system; his

every person with an Orphan Disease benefits."

the award to a hushed, mesmerized crowd.

Orphan Disease Advocate explained the incredible history of

Hearing of the story, artist Megan Euker moved to action. At

Bobby Kennedy." The packed crowd exploded with applause and gave a standing ovation. "The overflowing Birthday party was a blast! Jovial gentlemen yielded their seats to standing women who were overflowing into the hall. It was truly an unexpected

pleasure, packed with Hollywood's most respected pillars,"

one "Scrooge: A Christmas Carol," P.G. Cuschieri.

University and the University of Tennessee in the

Accompanying the award, this year, \$500,000 will be

Frank Park in honor of Bobby Kennedy's efforts which

resulted in his well-deserved "Orphan Dream Award."

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said producer, writer of "Cut Throat City" and Apple's number

dedicated to Sickle Cell Disease research at Southern Illinois

laboratories of distinguished Professors Andrew Wilber and

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dollars per patient. Drs. Park and Wilber are dedicating their

patients, not just the richest patients. "The prices are nonsensical and an insult to every human being," says renowned street philosopher and 2022 Orphan Dream Award recipient, Kevin Calhoun Dever.

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