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**STAR WARS
BATTLE:
BEST RIDE
AT DISNEY?**



SPORTS | C1
**SIGNING DAY:
SEE WHERE
LOCAL STARS
ARE HEADED**

WEATHER | C10
Today: 70 | 63
Mostly cloudy,
chance of showers

Tomorrow: 75 | 65
Cloudy, breezy
and rainy



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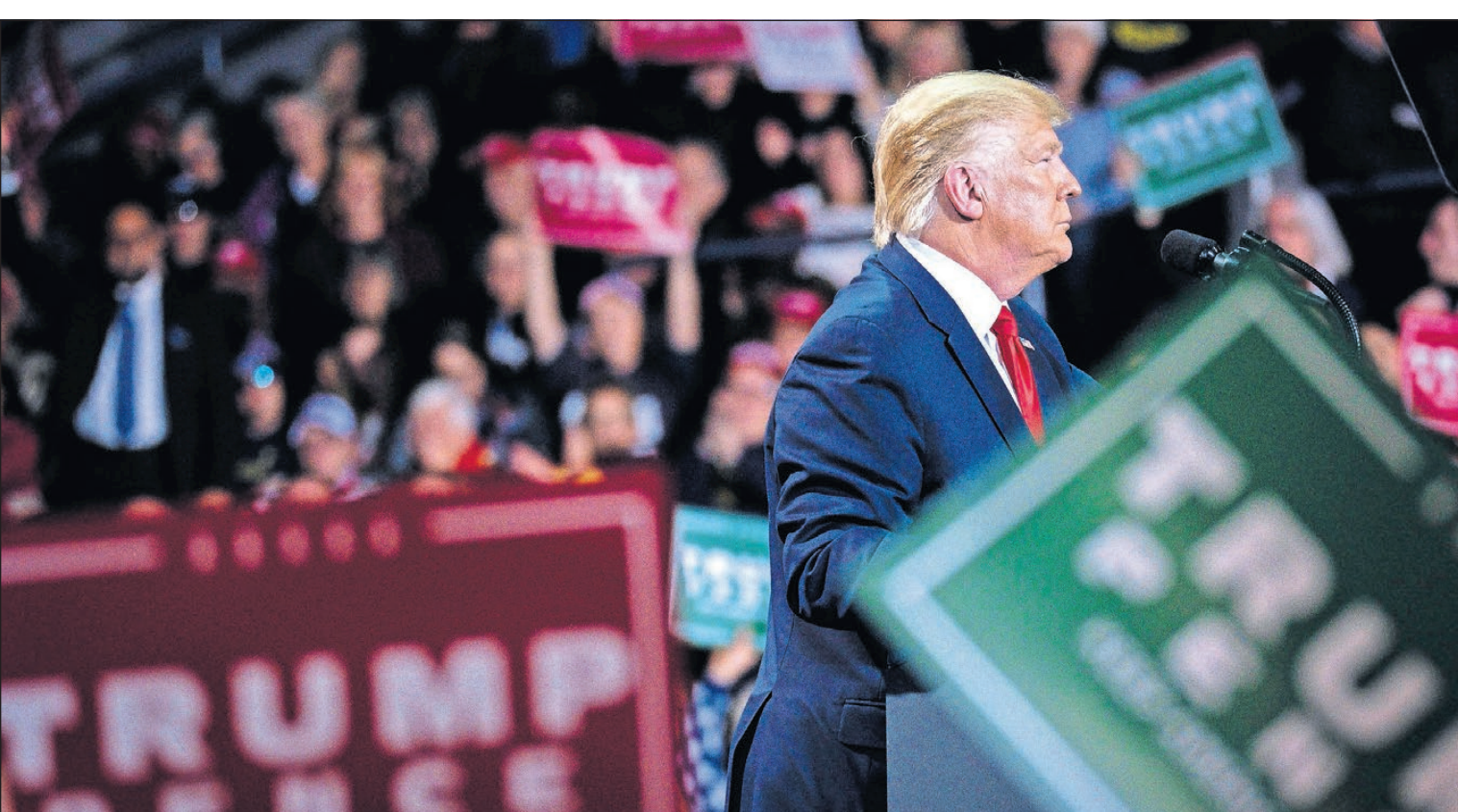
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TRUMP IMPEACHED

Articles charge abuse of power, obstruction of Congress

Intense, polarized House debate reflects divided parties

GOP-controlled Senate expected to acquit Trump in trial



President Trump speaks at a campaign rally in Battle Creek, Mich., after he became the third president to be impeached by the House.

[PETE MAROVICH/THE NEW YORK TIMES]

By Philip Rucker and Felicia Sonmez
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The House of Representatives voted late Wednesday to impeach President Donald Trump on charges that he abused his office and obstructed Congress, with Democrats declaring him a threat to nation and branding an indelible mark on the most turbulent presidency of modern times.

After 11 hours of fierce argument on the House floor between Democrats and Republicans over Trump's conduct with Ukraine, lawmakers voted almost entirely along party lines to impeach him. Trump becomes the third president in U.S. history to face trial in the Senate — a proceeding that will determine whether he is removed from office less than one year before he stands for reelection.

On Trump's 1,062nd day in office, Congress brought a momentous reckoning to an unorthodox president who has tested America's institutions with an array of unrestrained actions, including some that a collection of his own appointees and other government witnesses testified were reckless and endangered national security.

The Democratic-controlled House passed two articles of impeachment against Trump — abuse of power and obstruction of Congress — related to the president's attempts to withhold military aid to Ukraine and pressure its government to investigate former vice president Joe Biden, a potential 2020 Democratic opponent.

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Florida lawmakers mirror national divide, split on partisan lines

By Zac Anderson, John Kennedy and Antonio Fins
Gannett Florida

Florida lawmakers broke along party lines Wednesday during the historic votes to impeach President Donald Trump.

The Florida congressional delegation has 14 Republicans and 13 Democrats. All of the Republicans voted against impeachment. All of the Democrats voted for

impeachment, a divide that mirrors the entrenched partisan positions on impeachment nationally.

Lawmakers in the nation's biggest battleground state — one that could play a decisive role in the 2020 election — offered their thoughts on impeachment during debate on the House floor and statements released by their offices.

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House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., announces the passage of article II of impeachment against President Trump.

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Inlet Grove High student hit, killed by school bus

By Olivia Hitchcock
The Palm Beach Post

WEST PALM BEACH — A 15-year-old Inlet Grove High School student died Wednesday morning after being hit by a school bus near her home outside the city limits, authorities said.

Tenth-grader Natasha Dwyer was walking north on the sidewalk on the west side of Haverhill Road south of Elmhurst Road around 6:30 a.m., about 30 minutes before sunrise, the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office said.

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Deputies investigate the fatal accident on Haverhill Road south of Elmhurst Road on Wednesday morning.

[LANNIS WATERS/PALMBEACHPOST.COM]

Trump speaking to young conservatives Saturday

Turning Point USA conference also includes Giuliani, Gaetz, Hannity

By Christine Stapleton
Palm Beach Post Staff Writer

The White House said Tuesday that President Trump will speak at this week's Turning Point USA conference for young conservatives in West Palm Beach.

The summit, which runs Thursday through Saturday, already boasted an A-list roster of Trump Nation headliners, including Fox News host Sean Hannity, Trump attorney Rudy Giuliani, former White House spokeswoman Sarah Sanders and U.S. Rep. Matt Gaetz, R-Florida.

The group's second-annual dinner gala was Wednesday night at Mar-a-Lago, with

tickets going for \$1,500 a piece.

Turning Point USA is a non-profit organization founded in 2012. According to the group's website, its mission is "to build the most organized, active, and powerful conservative grassroots activist network on high school and college campuses across the country."

The group says it has "presence" on over 1,500 campuses and claims to be the largest and fastest-growing youth organization in America. More than 5,000 high school and college students are expected at its annual Student Action Summit at the Palm Beach County Convention Center, according to the summit website.

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