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Driving the Day

FIRST IN PLAYBOOK -- SOME HEALTH CARE/TAX NEWS -- THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE is expected to release a new report **MONDAY** detailing the budgetary impact if Congress were to repeal the individual mandate as part of tax reform. House Ways and Means Chairman Kevin Brady told us that it was a priority for President Donald Trump -- Trump has called him twice and mentioned it in person once. Insiders estimate repealing the mandate would bank \$400 billion in savings. But the new estimate is expected to be far less, which might make it less attractive to include gutting the provision as part of tax reform.

-- **Here's how Brady** put it to us yesterday during a Playbook Interview: "There are pros and cons to this. Importing health care into a tax reform debate has consequences, especially one where the Senate has yet to produce 50 votes on anything related to health care that I'm aware of. And so there is all those considerations to think about as we're looking at this. So, no decisions have been made. We're listening to the members, and certainly the president, as well."

BULLETIN at 7:13 a.m.: "BEIRUT (AP) - Lebanon's Prime Minister Saad Hariri says he is resigning as premier, blames Iran for meddling in Arab affairs." **AP's story**
<http://bit.ly/2h6gCF7>

YOWZA! -- NYT's PETER BAKER -- "President Trump is not a favorite in the extended Bush household. Former President George Bush considers him a 'blowhard,' only interested in feeding his own ego. Former President George W. Bush, his son, thinks Mr. Trump fans public anger and came to office without any understanding of the job. ... In 'The Last Republicans,' Mark K. Updegrave chronicles an era that feels almost dated

in today's reality-show politics, when the Republican establishment controlled the party and Washington, and when a single family could occupy the presidency and vice presidency for a combined 20 years. ...

"Neither of the two Republican former presidents voted for Mr. Trump -- the father voted for Hillary Clinton and the son voted for 'none of the above,' as he told Mr. Updegrave. Indeed, at one point during the 2016 presidential campaign, the younger Mr. Bush confided to the author, 'I'm worried that I will be the last Republican president.' ...

"In discussing Mr. Trump, the elder president was blunter. 'I don't like him,' Mr. Bush said in May 2016. 'I don't know much about him, but I know he's a blowhard. And I'm not too excited about him being a leader.' Rather than being motivated by public service, Mr. Bush said Mr. Trump seemed to be driven by 'a certain ego.'" <http://nyti.ms/2A6YXEU> ... **Pre-order -- \$19.49 on Amazon** <http://amzn.to/2hbgx79>

THE TRUMP ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY STORIES BEGIN -- "Trump's year of anger, disruption and scandal," by Annie Karni and Eliana Johnson: "It was after midnight on Nov. 9, 2016, and Donald Trump was sitting at the kitchen table of his Trump Tower penthouse. ...

"Now it is time for America to bind the wounds of division.' He paused. 'To bind? To heal? Which is better?' he asked his campaign manager, Kellyanne Conway, who was hovering close by. It was the mirror image of the scene unfolding in Hillary Clinton's hotel room, where the Democratic nominee had a victory speech ready to go, but no concession to deliver. Trump had been glued to the television, watching what was supposed to be Clinton's Javits Center victory party -- and taking note of the shocked faces in the crowd.

"I think he was aware of how unexpected this was,' said his longtime aide, Hope Hicks, now the White House communications director, explaining the un-Trumpian unity rallying cry. 'He wanted to give a speech that would de-escalate everything and, while the whole world was watching, be a leader for all.' Onstage, Trump would say: 'To all Republicans and Democrats and independents across this nation, I say it is time for us to come together as one united people. It's time.' It was a glimpse of a presidency that could have been." <http://politi.co/2AjqKTp>

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HARASSMENT FALLOUT -- "Congressional leaders call for sexual harassment training," by AP's Erica Werner and Juliet Linderman: "On Friday, Ryan sent lawmakers a letter urging them to undergo sexual harassment training and make it mandatory for their staffs. 'Any form of harassment has no place in this institution. Each of us has a responsibility to ensure a workplace that is free from discrimination, harassment, and retaliation,' wrote Ryan, R-Wis. 'We can and should lead by example.'

House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi called for passage of Democratic-sponsored legislation that would require anti-harassment training, enhance anti-retaliation protections for staffers who report harassment, and streamline dispute resolution."

<http://bit.ly/2zeaiUt> ... **AP's original investigation on sexual harassment on the Hill**
<http://bit.ly/2zeKnOC>

POLITICO FLORIDA -- "Six women accuse Florida Senate budget chair Latvala of groping, sexual harassment," by Marc Caputo, Matt Dixon and Alexandra Glorioso in Tallahassee: "Six women who work in Florida's Capitol say the state Senate's powerful budget chairman, Republican gubernatorial candidate Jack Latvala, has inappropriately touched them without their consent or uttered demeaning remarks about their bodies. ...

"Latvala, in an interview on Friday with POLITICO Florida , pointed to the fact that in 16 years in the Senate he has never had a complaint filed against him. 'The Senate provided you with a letter that I have never had a complaint filed against me in 16 years,' said Latvala. 'I'm sure that you have handpicked people and you are going to let anonymous people have this kind of impact on the career of a guy who has been there for 16 years,' he said. 'I've never had a complaint filed against me.' 'Govern yourself accordingly,' he told a POLITICO Florida reporter." <http://politi.co/2hbzmXD>

ON PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP'S MIND -- @realDonaldTrump at 8:35 a.m.:

"Unemployment is down to 4.1%, lowest in 17 years. 1.5 million new jobs created since I took office. Highest stock Market ever, up \$5.4 trillion" ... **at 8:49 a.m.:** "Would very much appreciate Saudi Arabia doing their IPO of Aramco with the New York Stock Exchange. Important to the United States!"

-- **A TWEET LIKE THAT** about Aramco could be worth a lot of money to a lot of people. The Aramco tweet was sent at 2:49 a.m. in Hawaii.

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DEPT. OF UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES -- "Trump's push for inquiries challenges Justice Dept. independence," by Darren Samuelsohn: "With his forceful pleas via Twitter and recent media interviews to launch inquiries into everything from Hillary Clinton's e-mails to an Obama-era uranium deal, the president is essentially setting the department up for a major breach of protocol if it actually follows through on his requests, according to former government attorneys and prosecutors."
<http://politi.co/2xYSICl>

THE BANNON EFFECT -- "Poll: Bannon's endorsement doesn't help in GOP primaries," by Eliana Johnson: "The Alabama Senate primary between Senator Luther Strange and Roy Moore raised questions about how powerful the endorsements of President Donald Trump and his former chief strategist, Steve Bannon, are on the campaign trail. Though Moore, Bannon's candidate, bested the Trump-backed Strange,

a new poll suggests that among voters in the upcoming midterm elections, Bannon's endorsement will make little difference.

"The survey, conducted by Firehouse Strategies and Optimus Consulting, found that just 13 percent of Republican voters said Bannon's endorsement made them more likely to support a candidate. Precisely the same number said the backing of the Breitbart chief would make them less likely to support a given candidate. Firehouse was founded by former aides to Sen. Marco Rubio, and Optimus is a Republican analytics firm."
<http://politi.co/2zdXbF3>

ON TAX REFORM -- "Dems' plan to tank Trump's tax bill," by Elana Schor and Heather Caygle: "Democrats helped crush the GOP's Obamacare repeal push by maintaining total unity and generating broad public outrage. It's a powerful formula that fractured Republicans - but one that will be harder to replicate against the GOP tax bill. Already a handful of vulnerable Democrats in the House and Senate say they remain open to whatever tax legislation is ultimately produced. And while progressive groups and lawmakers are deploying plans to rev up the base, it's not clear taxes will energize people outside the Beltway as the more visceral topic of health care does."
<http://politi.co/2IPSrQN>

-- **"Lobbying Frenzy Begins on Tax Bill,"** by NYT's Jim Tankersley, Tom Kaplan and Ken Vogel: "The Republican tax rewrite unveiled on Thursday has set off a scramble among lobbyists and interest groups desperate to preserve prized tax breaks that are suddenly at risk in the sweeping bill moving through the House. Yet the ability of K Street to prevent longstanding tax provisions from getting the ax is running headfirst into Republicans' own mad dash as they attempt to quickly pass the tax rewrite and get it to President Trump's desk by Christmas.

"The rapid pace set out by Republican leaders is by design: They want to prevent the kind of arm-twisting that has long bedeviled previous tax overhaul efforts by leaving little time for outside groups to blitz lawmakers with concerns. Several consultants and lobbyists said on Friday that individual companies were just beginning to digest how the 400-plus page bill, which drastically changes how American businesses are taxed at home and abroad, would affect their bottom lines." <http://nyti.ms/2y1K723>

CATCHING YOU UP ON TRUMP ABROAD ...

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IT'S CHALLENGING to cover trips like this -- the time difference is brutal -- so we'll try to find the best nuggets from stories and pool reports.

WSJ'S MIKE BENDER was pool yesterday, with **PRESIDENT TRUMP** in Hawaii: "At 1:14 p.m. local, POTUS & FLOTUS deplaned into 87 degree weather. The were greeted

with leis by Hawaii Gov. David Ige and his wife, Dawn Ige; US Navy Adm. Harry Harris, commander of the US Pacific Command, his wife, Bruni Bradley; and Mikayla Webb, the daughter of Adm. Harris's aid. ... POTUS arrived at US Pacific Command at 1:43 p.m. local, two minutes ahead of schedule for the first stop on his 12-day trip. ... 'I tell you this is very special being in Hawaii,' he said. ...

"POTUS also appeared legitimately excited about his visit this evening to Pearl Harbor, 'which I've read about, spoken about, heard about, studied, but I haven't seen. And that is going to be very exciting for me.' ... POTUS made a somber and short visit to the USS Arizona Memorial - about 13 hours before wheels-up to Japan. POTUS & FLOTUS spent about 20 minutes at the simple yet stark shrine to the 1,177 crewmen who died during the Dec. 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. The pair stood for about a minute in front of the white marble wall etched with the names of the fallen during a wreath laying ceremony.

"The first couple adjusted the wreath slightly before two soldiers placed it near the wall. The Trumps then threw white pikake flower petals into the water where the remains of more than 900 Arizona crewmen rest. ... Most of the president's top staff traveling with him joined the tour, including HR McMaster, Dina Powell, Rob Porter, Hope Hicks, Sarah Sanders, Matt Pottinger, Bob Lighthizer, Michael Anton, and Jared Kushner. ... From his first tweet this morning at 6:51 a.m. Eastern, to the return to his Honolulu hotel at 7:33 p.m. Hawaii time, that's nearly a 19-hour day for POTUS on the first day of his 12-day trip halfway around the world."

-- **TRUMP'S WEEKEND:** The president will leave Hawaii at 1:20 p.m. D.C. time (7:20 a.m. in Hawaii) for Tokyo. They land at 9:45 p.m. tonight. When Trump lands, he'll have an event at Yokota Air Base and then he'll have lunch with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and the golfer Hideki Matsuyama at Kasumigaseki Country Club. Trump is having dinner with Abe with the first lady and Mrs. Abe at Ginza Ukai Tei in Tokyo.

-- **BEING THERE:** @JonLemire: "Lunch today on Air Force One: a taco bowl!"
<http://bit.ly/2ytGVQZ>

IVANKA ABROAD -- THE DAILY MAIL: "A cultural homage (kind of)! Ivanka Trump dons a \$2,000 Italian faux kimono - and models a new wavy hairdo - as she enjoys dinner with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe" -- **with 29 pix on one page**
<http://dailym.ai/2zgWSJn>

FOR OBAMA ALUMNI -- "Here's the letter Obama is sending to people who ask him about the state of the country," by Yahoo's Hunter Walker:
<https://yhoo.it/2y1AFve>

THE RUSSIA INVESTIGATION -- JUDGE PROPOSES MAY 7 trial date for Manafort and Gates. <http://politi.co/2j1GR43>

--**"Mueller braces for challenges to his authority,"** by Darren Samuelsohn and Josh

Gerstein: "Robert Mueller is on an early winning streak. Stacked with some of the country's premier prosecutors, the special counsel has beaten back a pair of preliminary attempts to block his subpoena power and limit who he can question as a potential witness. In July, Mueller's team also managed to win approval to execute a no-knock search warrant-unusual in a white-collar case.

"But as the criminal case against former Donald Trump campaign officials Paul Manafort and Rick Gates speeds toward a possible spring 2018 trial, Mueller's team is bracing for an array of challenges to its authority. The battle lines are already taking shape. Kevin Downing, Manafort's lead attorney, submitted a document Friday indicating that he anticipates filing pre-trial motions that question 'the legal basis for and sufficiency of the charges, the suppression of evidence improperly obtained by search warrant, subpoena or otherwise.' Downing also said he may try to prevent Mueller's prosecutors from presenting some of their evidence during the criminal trial."
<http://politi.co/2A7Qe5B>

-- **"McConnell: No need to pass bills to protect Mueller,"** by Brent D. Griffiths: "Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said on Saturday that special counsel Robert Mueller is not in need of congressional protection from President Donald Trump. 'I don't hear much pressure to pass anything,' McConnell told MSNBC's Hugh Hewitt. 'There's been no indication that the President or the White House are not cooperating with the special counsel.' McConnell added, 'I think the view up here is let him do his job.'"
<http://politi.co/2yuNO4E>

-- **"Longtime Trump bodyguard to face questions about 2013 Moscow trip,"** by WaPo's Carol D. Leonnig and Greg Miller: "One of President Trump's most trusted confidants, a security chief who served as his sounding board for nearly two decades, will face questions from congressional investigators next week about Trump's 2013 trip to Moscow, according to people familiar with their plans. ... The House Intelligence Committee has called former longtime bodyguard Keith Schiller to appear for an interview Tuesday as part of its probe of Russian meddling in the 2016 election. Investigators plan to press Schiller about allegations in the 35-page dossier that Russian officials obtained compromising information about Trump's personal behavior when he visited Moscow for the 2013 Miss Universe pageant." <http://wapo.st/2IN34DM>

-- **"Trump Campaign Adviser Met With Russian Officials in 2016,"** by NYT's Mark Mazzetti and Adam Goldman: "Carter Page, a foreign policy adviser to the Trump presidential campaign, met Russian government officials during a July 2016 trip he took to Moscow, according to testimony he gave on Thursday to the House Intelligence Committee. Shortly after the trip, Mr. Page sent an email to at least one Trump campaign aide describing insights he had after conversations with government officials, legislators and business executives during his time in Moscow, according to one person familiar with the contents of the message. The email was read aloud during the closed-door testimony." <http://nyti.ms/2AkuLqY>

NEW POLICY -- "Protected status no longer justified for Central Americans and

Haitians in U.S., State Dept. says," by WaPo's Nick Miroff and Karen DeYoung: "More than 300,000 Central Americans and Haitians living in the United States under a form of temporary permission no longer need to be shielded from deportation, the State Department told Homeland Security officials this week, a few days ahead of a highly anticipated DHS announcement about whether to renew that protection.

"On Tuesday, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson sent a letter to acting DHS secretary Elaine Duke to inform her that conditions in Central America and Haiti that had been used to justify the protection no longer necessitate a reprieve for the migrants, some of whom have been allowed to live and work in the United States for 20 years under a program known as Temporary Protected Status (TPS)." <http://wapo.st/2A7oopO>

Playbook Reads

PHOTO DU JOUR: President Donald Trump, donned in lei, greets servicemen after arriving aboard Air Force One at Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam in Honolulu, Hawaii, on Nov. 3. | Jamm Aquino/The Star-Advertiser via AP

K STREET FILES -- "Trump Offered Corey Lewandowski a New Job. Corey Turned It Down Because It Was 'Chump Change,'" by the Daily Beast's Lachlan Markay and Asawin Suebsaeng: "Trump had asked if he wanted a job that would place him in the Eisenhower Executive Office Building, across the way from the West Wing, sources in and outside the administration say. According to two people who spoke with Lewandowski, he 'strongly' considered taking the gig, in hopes of getting to serve Trump in an official capacity once more. However, he came to the conclusion that the job wasn't senior enough, telling friends that it was 'beneath him.' ... [T]hose close to Lewandowski say he told friends in October that he had been offered a senior post in the Office of Public Liaison." <http://thebea.st/2h29ppH>

TRUMP INC. -- "Trump wins permission for 70 foreign workers at Mar-a-Lago," by Palm Beach Post's Jeff Ostrowski: "Like other Palm Beach County employers who staff their clubs with foreign workers, President Donald Trump is boosting the number of employees he's bringing from overseas this winter. Trump won permission to hire 70 maids, cooks and servers at the Mar-a-Lago Club for the 2017-18 tourist season, according to newly released data from the U.S. Labor Department. In 2016-17, Trump hired 64 foreign workers at the Palm Beach property." <http://pbpo.st/2j17lgy>

MEDIAWATCH -- "Fresh questions about Trump administration's review of AT&T-Time Warner deal," by CNN's Brian Stelter: "Trump is not shy about his enemies list. It includes Hillary Clinton and several major news outlets, including CNN. That's why there are whispers in political and media circles that the president may be trying to interfere with AT&T's acquisition of Time Warner, especially now that the DOJ is reportedly considering a lawsuit to block the deal. ... According to my sources, executives at AT&T

and Time Warner have been under the impression that DOJ approval was right around the corner. The companies have been negotiating what's known as a 'consent decree.'
<http://cnmmon.ie/2j2BDVt>

--"**Sean Hannity Gets Inducted Into the National Radio Hall of Fame**" -- AdWeek:
<http://bit.ly/2zd4F92>

WEINSTEIN UPDATE -- "NYPD is working to arrest Harvey Weinstein on rape allegations," by N.Y. Post's Tina Moore and Ruth Brown: "The NYPD is prepared to arrest Harvey Weinstein for raping 'Boardwalk Empire' star Paz de la Huerta -- and the next step is for the Manhattan district attorney to get an arrest warrant, a top department official said Friday. 'She put forth a credible and detailed narrative to us. We then sought to garner corroboration -- this happened seven years ago -- and we found corroboration,' Chief of Detectives Robert Boyce told reporters. ... When asked what made de la Huerta's case so credible, he explained it was her 'ability to articulate each and every movement of the crime - where she was, where they met, where this happened and what he did.'" <http://pge.sx/2h3B7T7>

CLICKER - "The nation's cartoonists on the week in politics," edited by Matt Wuerker -- **14 keepers** <http://politi.co/2zctrsc>

GREAT WEEKEND READS, curated by Daniel Lippman:

--"**#Reviewing Destined for War: An Interview with Graham Allison**" - Q&A by Brett Wesley in the Strategy Bridge: "The Chinese believe the contest in the South China Sea is basically over, and that they won. All the governments in the region now ask first what will China do. China's naval budget will soon exceed our own, especially with regards to regional competition, and it's unlikely we can buy our way out of this problem." <http://bit.ly/2it4vCs> ... **Graham Allison's book -- \$19.04 on Amazon**
<http://amzn.to/2tNVqbC>

--"**The Istanbul Derby,**" by Spencer Hall in SB Nation: "Soccer, fire and a game at the world's crossroads." <http://bit.ly/2zcVsA4>

--"**Putin's Revenge**" - **PBS Frontline:** "Frontline tells the inside story of how Vladimir Putin came to see the United States as an enemy - and why he decided to target an American election." <http://to.pbs.org/2zhySpy>

--"**How to Tell If You're a Supertaster,**" by Rob DeSalle in Nautilus magazine: "For one thing, you won't like IPAs." <http://bit.ly/2zhyilm>

--"**Mapping the Reformation in America,**" by Lyman Stone in In A State Of Migration on Medium: "The legacy of Luther in America. By the time the settlement of the United States was well underway, the longevity of Protestantism was essentially assured. Many of the early American settlers were religious dissidents calling for reformation. Protestant churches are strongest now in the midwest and great plains, Pennsylvania,

upland south, and central Texas. They correlate loosely with Northern European ancestry, pro-Trump voting, family stability, economic mobility, farming and heavy industry." <http://bit.ly/2h1pkob>

--"**Eugenics 2.0: We're at the Dawn of Choosing Embryos by Health, Height, and More,**" by Antonio Regalado in Technology Review: "Will you be among the first to pick your kids' IQ? As machine learning unlocks predictions from DNA databases, scientists say parents could have choices never before possible." <http://bit.ly/2zuTOu5>

--"**Typos on the Skin of Men: The Coalition Provisional Authority in Iraq,**" by Jay Herndon in the Strategy Bridge - per TheBrowser.com's description: "Perceptive account of the "quiet failures" of economic reform in Iraq under the Coalition Provisional Authority. American administrators were told to create a 'vibrant, free market' as a check on any future dictatorship. But their confidence far outstripped their expertise, and their mistakes laid the foundations for much of the chaos that followed. Said one: 'I don't give a s-t about international law. I made a commitment to the president that I'd privatize Iraq's businesses.'" <http://bit.ly/2xYQRgM>

--"**A Very Old Man for a Wolf,**" by Emma Marris in Outside Magazine: "He was the alpha male of the first pack to live in Oregon since 1947. For years, a state biologist tracked him, collared him, counted his pups, weighed him, photographed him, and protected him. But then the animal known as OR4 broke one too many rules." <http://bit.ly/2zd2yIH>

--"**The fax of life,**" by Vox's Sarah Kliff: "In the medical sector, the fax is as dominant as ever. It is the cockroach of American medicine: hated by doctors and medical professionals but able to survive - even thrive - in a hostile environment. By one private firm's estimate, the fax accounts for about 75 percent of all medical communication. It frustrates doctors, nurses, researchers, and entire hospitals, but a solution is evasive." <http://bit.ly/2iZaToQ>

--"**Small-Town Noir,**" by Adam Thirlwell, reviewing "Twin Peaks: The Return" in the N.Y. Review of Books: David Lynch's "cinema is disreputably baroque, brimming with meaning that it disavows. He's of the same generation as Malick and Scorsese, but where they now seem historical, Lynch still has the fragility of the contemporary. The greatness of his art is linked to the kitsch of his materials, all the B-movie unheimlich maneuvers: doppelgängers, prosthetics, recurring numbers, dream sequences, animated corpses." <http://bit.ly/2IRAyBd>

--"**Trapped in the clichés of Spain,**" by Andrea Aguilar in El Pais: "The crisis in Catalonia has demonstrated that the Iberian stereotypes persist in foreign media outlets." <http://bit.ly/2zbLCfi>

--"**The Suicide Catcher,**" by Michael Paterniti in the Aug. 2010 issue of GQ: "In the rapidly modernizing, constantly churning city of Nanjing, China, there is a legendary bridge, four miles long, where day after day, week after week, the desperate and

melancholy and tormented come to end their lives. Most end up in the Yangtze River, 130 feet below. But some do not meet their maker. They meet someone else. They are pulled back from the brink-sometimes violently-by an odd and unlikely angel."
<http://bit.ly/2A4eHZg> (h/t Longform.org)

--" **Is the artist behind 'Pay Trump bribes here' a protest messenger for our times?"** by WaPo's David Montgomery: <http://wapo.st/2A4a1Th>

--"**The Disillusionment of Samuel Moyn,**" by Jon Baskin in the Chronicle of Higher Ed: "The Yale historian has become a prominent critic of liberalism. But what's he for?"
<http://bit.ly/2hDWw6b>

--"**Lost and Found,**" by Robert Sanchez in 5280: "Several long-serving members of NecroSearch, the world's preeminent group for locating and retrieving missing bodies, are nearing retirement age. What will happen to the Colorado-based volunteer organization once they're gone?" <http://bit.ly/2itoaCc>

Playbookers

SPOTTED: Denis McDonough yesterday at BWI ... Rep. Jim Himes (D-Conn.) on the 3:00 pm Acela heading north. ... Rep. Jerry Nadler (D-N.Y.) yesterday in first class on the Acela to New York ...

... **Dick Wiley**, former FCC chairman and current FCC commissioner Michael O'Rielly at an inside table; and Dontai Smalls, UPS lobbyist, and Paul Brathwaite at an outside table dining for lunch Friday afternoon at Fig & Olive ... former Rep. Steven Horsford (D-Nev.), wife Sonya and their kids celebrating one of their son's birthdays at the Wizards game with host Brandon Webb, chief of staff for Rep. Robin Kelly (D-Ill.)

WHITE HOUSE ARRIVAL LOUNGE - JUDD DEERE has been hired as the White House's director of state and local communications. He starts on Nov. 27. He most recently was communications director for Arkansas Attorney General Leslie Rutledge.

OUT AND ABOUT -- DOUGLAS SMITH of Kent Strategies celebrated his 50th birthday at Pearl Street Warehouse last night. **SPOTTED:** Liz Sears Smith, David Culver, Mary Morgan Limperis, Melissa Maxfield, Bruce Gates and Joyce Gates, Bruce Andrews, David and Amanda Bowker, Paul and Liz Dougherty, Liz and Robert Moore, Patrick Melody, Erick Mullen, Kelly Craighead, Paul and Cecilie Horvath, David and Viktoria Metzner, Kathleen Matthews, Susan Blumenthal, Mike Zamore, Abigail Smith, Paul Tencher, Vince Frillici and Chris Lisi.

BIRTHWEEK (was yesterday): Minh-Thu Pham, executive director for policy at the United Nations Foundation in the NY office (hat tip: Courtney Hulse, who was on time) ... Edelman's Lauren Greco

BIRTHDAYS: Jeremy Bernard (h/t Tammy Haddad) ... Kathy Griffin ... Kit Seelye ... Laura Bush is 71 ... BuzzFeed editor-in-chief Ben Smith ... U.S. Chamber's Blair Latoff Holmes ... Craig Stevens ... Hal Malchow ... Rima Sirota of the Georgetown University Law Center, celebrating with Tom (h/t Jon Haber) ... Michael Fontneau ... Alice Tong ... Kenneth R. Weinstein, president and CEO of the Hudson Institute, is 56 ... Eric Wagner of Bloomberg Government ... Toby Lam ... AP's Alex Sanz ... WTOP's Hillary Howard ... WaPo's Mike DeBonis ... Carlos Gutierrez, chair at Albright Stonebridge and former Secretary of Commerce under Bush 43 and CEO of Kellogg (h/t Ben Chang) ... Will Shaw ... Michael Clauser ... Rep. John Yarmuth (D-Ky.) is 7-0 ... Rep. Richard Hudson (R-N.C.) is 46 ... Emma Kenyon of Sen. McCaskill's office (h/t Sophie White) ... Laylee Ghiasi ... Julie Siegel, currently banking counsel for Sen. Warren (D-Mass.) and an Obama WH, CFPB, and Harvard Law alum ... Jean Roseme ... Darla Bunting ... Jessica Reis, VP at Greenberg Quinlan Rosner, who races her husband every morning to see who can finish Playbook first (hubby tip: Anthony DeAngelo) ... Katie Hughes of CRC (h/t Garrett Ventry) ... Politico's Olivia Rogin ...

... **Amanda Thayer**, press secretary for NARAL Pro-Choice America ... Max Gleischman, celebrating with surprise birthday plans that will involve Dante in the West Village, his favorite place for a cocktail (h/t wife Rachel Racusen) ... Tim Saler of Grassroots Targeting (<http://bit.ly/2hBgiyT>) (h/t Matt Moon) ... Catherine De Castelbajac ... Ezra Mechaber, principal at Precision Strategies ... LinkedIn's Florencia Iriondo ... Lucy Tutwiler Hodas ... Brian J. Siebel ... L'Auberge Chez Francois' Jacques Haeringer (h/t Robb Watters) ... Ashley Estes Kavanaugh ... Kevin McVicker ... Trish Turner ... Elena Chiriboga ... Markus Palmgren ... Joe Vidunas ... Morgan Mohr ... Kari Kant ... Jeremy Chwat is 43 ... Ira Fishman, COO/managing director of the NFL Players Association ... Danny O'Driscoll ... Kristin Hardy-Artikaslan ... Jared Kleinstein ... Sloan Rappoport ... Julie Tippens ... Lynde Uihlein ... Susan Knapp ... Casey Sinnwell ... Hal Malchow (h/ts Teresa Vilmain)

THE SHOWS by @MattMackowiak, filing from Austin:

--**Fox News' "Sunday Morning Futures":** Vice President Mike Pence ... House Majority Whip Steve Scalise (R-La.) ... Rep. Tom MacArthur (R-N.J.). Panel: Al D'Amato and Jon Hilsenrath

--**"Fox News Sunday":** Speaker of the House Paul Ryan (R-Wis.) ... Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.). Panel: Karl Rove, Rachael Bade, Jason Riley and Juan Williams ... "Power Player of the Week": Mark Cuban

--**ABC's "This Week":** Donna Brazile ... Preet Bharara and Ken Starr ... Rep. Mark Meadows (R-N.C.) and Rep. Peter King (R-N.Y.). Panel: Charles Blow, Sara Fagen, Marc Lotter and Julie Pace

--**CNN's "State of the Union":** House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) ... Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.). Panel: Jen Psaki, Michael Caputo, Rep. Barbara Lee (D-

Calif.) and Rep. Charlie Dent (R-Pa.)

--**NBC's "Meet the Press"**: Sen. Mark Warner (D-Va.) ... Sen. James Lankford (R-Okla.). Panel: Tom Brokaw, Kasie Hunt, Eugene Robinson and Peggy Noonan

--**CBS's "Face the Nation"**: Sen. Mark Warner (D-Va.) ... House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.). Panel: Jamelle Bouie, Susan Page, Ramesh Ponnuru and Jerry Seib ... Michael Lewis and Pete Souza

--**Fox News' "MediaBuzz"**: Ed Henry ... Mollie Hemingway ... Marie Harf ... Bill Bennett ... Marisa Guthrie

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