

PLAYBOOK READS

PHOTO DU JOUR: President Donald Trump holds up a memorandum after signing it on U.S./Cuba policy after he spoke at the Manuel Arttime Theatre in Miami, Florida on June 16. | Mandel Ngan/AFP/Getty

LIFEVEST -- "Sources: Federal officials vetting [Sam] Brownback for position in Trump administration," by Kansas City Star's Bryan Lowry and McClatchy's Lindsay

Wise: "Two close associates of Brownback confirmed to The Star that they were interviewed by federal officials about the governor's character and qualifications last month. And a congressional source said people close to the governor and senior officials at the White House have said that it's a matter of when, not if, he gets a post. ... [T]he appointment ... will most likely be with the U.S. State Department."

<http://bit.ly/2smk1EK>

NOT SO FAST -- "DACA still 'under review,' Trump administration says," by Ted

Hesson: "The future of an Obama-era deportation relief program remains undecided, the Department of Homeland Security said Friday. The announcement was meant to clarify the department's position on the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, which allows nearly 788,000 undocumented immigrants to apply for work permits and live in the U.S. without fear of deportation.

"**The future of the DACA program** continues to be under review with the administration,' a DHS spokesperson said in a written statement. 'The president has remarked on the need to handle the issue with compassion and with heart.' DHS felt compelled to issue a statement on the program's fate after POLITICO and other outlets reported Thursday on guidance posted to the DHS website that suggested DACA would remain on firm footing under the Trump administration." <http://politi.co/2rGpkIE>

MICHAEL GRUNWALD in Camaguey, Cuba: "Trump's Strange Retreat from Cuba":

<http://politi.co/2sEbmAD>

HOW MEGYN KELLY WOODED ALEX JONES -- "Alex Jones Scoops Megyn Kelly And Proves The Media Isn't Ready For The Trolls," by BuzzFeed's Charlie Warzel:

"At 3 a.m. Friday, Infowars delivered on part of its promise and published a 30-minute video to YouTube containing roughly 10 minutes of Kelly's pre-interview where she's attempting to get Jones to agree to the interview. In the tape, Kelly repeatedly reassures Jones she intends to be fair. 'You'll be fine with it,' she can be heard saying.

'I'm not looking to portray you as a bogeyman ... The craziest thing of all would be if some of the people who have this insane version of you in your heads walk away saying, "You know, I see the dad in him. I see the guy who loves those kids and is more complex than I've been led to believe.'" <http://bzfd.it/2rqawmR>

--"**What Megyn Kelly says in leaked audio from Alex Jones**" - Media Matters:
<http://mm4a.org/2tyHbXQ>

-- **TV NEWSER: "Connecticut NBC Station Won't Air Megyn Kelly Interview with Alex Jones": MEMO FROM THE NETWORK:** "Whenever there is news regarding the Sandy Hook tragedy, we know that the pain resurfaces for our community, our viewers and for you, our colleagues at WVIT. Over the last few days, we have listened intently to Sandy Hook parents, our viewers and importantly, to you. We have considered the deep emotions from the wounds of that day that have yet to heal. Because those wounds are understandably still so raw, we have decided not to air this week's episode of Sunday Night With Megyn Kelly. We will continue our local coverage, including a special report on our Sunday 11pm newscast, which includes Sandy Hook parents, Governor Malloy and others who work to affect change around violence and mental illness. For those in our viewing area who still wish to see the show, it will be available Monday on NBCNews.com." <http://bit.ly/2rCamwO>

TV TONIGHT -- MSNBC is re-airing at 9 p.m. "All the President's Men Revisited," a documentary on the Watergate scandal on the 45th anniversary of the infamous break-in at the DNC.

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