

# USA men's hockey team visits White House



United States hockey player Matthew Tkachuk shows his gold medal on Monday after the team beat Canada 2-1 in overtime Sunday at the Milan Cortina Olympics.

(AP PHOTO/LYNNE SLADKY)

## The Associated Press

The gold-medal-winning U.S. men's Olympic hockey team landed at Joint Base Andrews and visited President Donald Trump at the White House before attending his State of the Union address on Tuesday night.

Forward Matthew Tkachuk posted pictures on social media of members of the team celebrating on what appears to be a U.S. government plane and a group shot of them deplaning.

The U.S. beat Canada 2-1 in overtime on Sunday at the Milan Cortina Olympics. It was the Americans' first gold medal in men's hockey since the "Miracle on Ice" group won in Lake Placid, New York, in 1980.

The team received a

State of the Union invitation from Trump following the game. A video that circulated on social media appeared to show Trump inviting the team on a phone call in the locker room, as he joked that he'd also have to invite the women's team, which also won gold over Canada.

The women declined, citing scheduling issues.

The men took a chartered plane to Miami on Monday night before traveling to the nation's capital in the morning.

Videos and photos of the team's White House visit were shared on social media by Trump administration aides. Team members posed for a photograph in front of the South Portico after they arrived. They also walked along the West Wing colonnade

where Trump has posted portraits of every U.S. president just steps away from the Oval Office, where they were welcomed by Trump.

As they approached the Oval Office, some of the players popped into the press office's open door to flash their medals. Staffers applauded and shouted, "We love you!"

"I recognize every one of you. I know every one of you," Trump said as the players entered the Oval Office, which he has redecorated with numerous flourishes of gold that matched the players' medals.

"Big guys," he said, standing near his desk and shaking hands with the players, who wore dark tops with "USA," the American flag and the Olympic rings on the front and light colored pants.



Kansas guard Tre White and Houston center Chris Cenac vie for a rebound Monday night. AP PHOTO/COLIN E. BRALEY

## No. 14 Kansas rebounds with 69-56 win over No. 5 Houston

By David Smale  
Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Tre White scored a season-high 23 points and No. 14 Kansas bounced back from a surprising defeat with a 69-56 victory over No. 5 Houston on Monday night.

Freshman star Darryn Peterson added 14 points on 5-of-14 shooting in 30 minutes for the Jayhawks (21-7, 11-4 Big 12), who fell six spots in this week's AP Top 25 following an 84-68 loss at home Saturday to unranked Cincinnati.

Bryson Tiller had 11 points, 10 rebounds and three blocks for Kansas, which handed the scuffling Cougars (23-5, 11-4) their third consecutive defeat — all against top-15 opponents. Melvin Council Jr. added 11 points, six rebounds and four assists.

Kingston Flemings scored 16 on 6-of-18 shooting for Houston, which hadn't dropped three straight games since January 2017. The Cougars shot 32%

from the field, including 5 of 24 (21%) from 3-point territory.

Kansas hasn't lost consecutive home games since the 1988-89 season, Roy Williams' first as coach. The Jayhawks are 52-1 on ESPN's Big Monday in Allen Fieldhouse, including 41-0 under coach Bill Self. Two weeks ago, they took down top-ranked Arizona at The Phog.

Kansas used a 12-0 run early in the second half to turn a two-point lead into a 49-35 advantage at the under-12 timeout. The margin stretched to 20 before Houston went on a 7-0 spurt, but the Cougars never got closer than 10 the rest of the way.

The Jayhawks missed nine of their first 10 shots, going 8:28 without a field goal. But they closed the first half with an 11-0 run to take a 31-27 lead into the break.

### UP NEXT

Houston hosts Colorado on Saturday.

Kansas visits No. 2 Arizona on Saturday.

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The teams combined to score two points (one each) for the game's final four minutes.

Wegner led Frontenac with 16 and Brogan Smith added 13 points.

Carter Woodcock led Columbus with 12 and Ethan Midgett had 10 points.

The Raiders finished their regular season

10-11 overall and 8-4 CNC. They draw No. 7-seeded Wellsville (11-12) in a sub-state quarterfinal Thursday night at Wellsville. Wellsville fell 65-60 to Iola on Monday night.

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## LEGALS

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of  
Case No. CRP-2026-PR-000014  
Gloria Ann Iley, Deceased

(Pursuant to K. S. A. Chapter 59)

### NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by John L. Iley, surviving spouse of Gloria Ann Iley, deceased, requesting:

Descent be determined of the following described personal property, to-wit:

U. S. Bank Account No. XXX2856

and other interests in personal property owned by decedent at the time of death. And that property and other interests in personal property owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before the 18th day of March, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., in the District Court of Crawford County, Kansas, sitting at Pittsburg, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, KANSAS  
CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Flat Branch Mortgage, Inc.

Plaintiff,

vs.

Sabrina Ekis, Jane Doe, John Doe, and Midland Credit Management, Inc., et al.,

Defendants

Case No. CRP-2026-CV-000024

Court No.

Title to Real Estate Involved

Pursuant to K.S.A. §60

### NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF KANSAS to the above named Defendants and The Unknown Heirs, executors, devisees, trustees, creditors, and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in partnership; and the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of any defendants that are minors or are under any legal disability and all other person who are or may be concerned:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Crawford County, Kansas by Flat Branch Mortgage, Inc., praying to foreclose a mortgage on the following described real estate:

LOT NUMBER TEN (10) IN BLOCK NUMBER FOUR (4) IN ARMACOST'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF ARMA, (CRAWFORD COUNTY, KANSAS), ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF. Parcel ID No. 019-113-05-0-30-03-006.00-0. Commonly known as 103 E Palmer St., Arma, KS 66172 ("the Property") MS 231537

and all those defendants who have not otherwise been served are required to plead to the Petition on or before April 7, 2026 in the District Court of Crawford County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the request of plaintiff.

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MILLSAP & SINGER, LLC IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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