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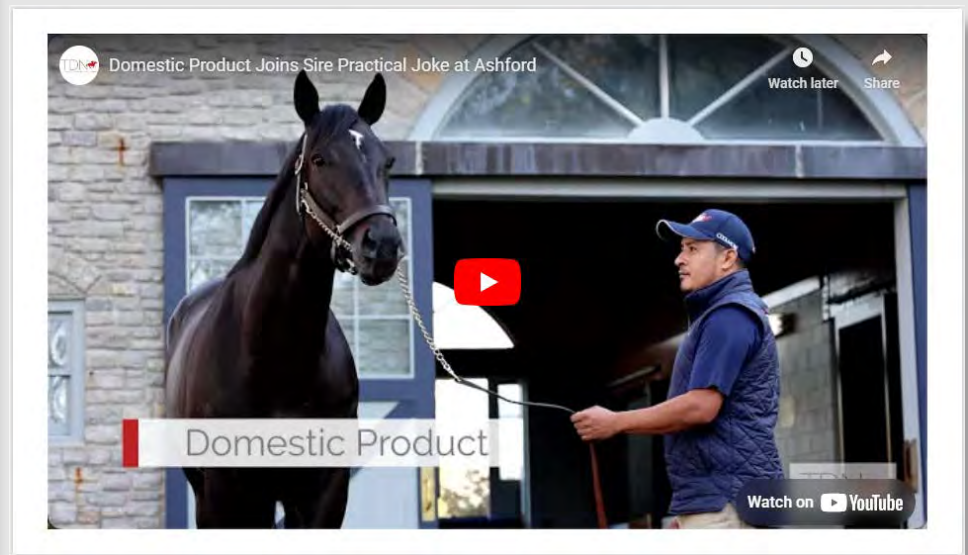
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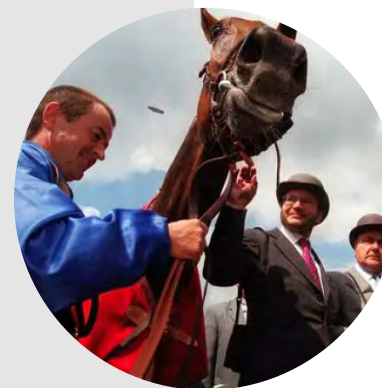
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Peter Brant, American industrialist and art collector Peter Brant is a daily reader and frequent advertiser.

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Kenny Troutt accepting WinStar's Eclipse Award for Outstanding Breeder, January 28, 2021.



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People like:

- **Jim Bakke, the CEO and owner of Sub-Zero/Wolf.**

- **Energy titan Paul Farr, who is developing a \$130 million complex, Titledown, outside of Lambeau Field. Being featured in the TDN, he said, "made his decade."**

Peter Brant's Racing Renaissance

Monday, November 19, 2018 at 5:48 pm | [Back to: Shared News, Today's Edition](#)
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By *Chris McGrath*

His father always told him how his were "the first footsteps in the snow." Long days, hard work, crepe paper and cork factories: a classic immigrant tale of New York. But there was an intellectual legacy, too. The man spoke 13 languages. Thirteen! Now Peter Brant is in turn reiterating to the next generation-and he has no fewer than nine children-that wealth alone is no guarantee of fulfillment, that it must be sustained by engagement with the challenges and beauty of a world widened by privilege.

"I had a father I was very close to, and not a day goes by where I don't think about him," Brant says. "He was a great man. And he always told me that what you have between your ears is all you've got. And never to count on anything other than that, because it will lead to misfortune. And I try to tell the same thing to my kids."

Sure enough, while his twin passions plainly require uncommon funds, both his art collection and his racing stable measure resources of quite another kind, if equally rare. For both answer the same kind of inner need.



Peter Brant attends the "Warhol" Exhibition Press Conference and Press Preview at Palazzo Reale in Milan, Italy | Getty Images

There's No Cooling Off Sub-Zero's Jim Bakke

Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 11:27 am | [Back to: Shared News](#)

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By *Bill Finley*

Owner Jim Bakke's experience in horse racing has been fairly typical. He started off with a small stable, didn't have much success and waited for his day to come. It looks like he's not going to have to wait any longer.

Along with Gerald Isbister, Bakke is the co-owner of "TDN Rising Star" Jack Christopher (Munnings), a Chad Brown-trained colt who brought down the house Saturday with an 8 3/4-length maiden win at Saratoga. Jack Christopher, who is named for Bakke's six-month-old grandson, will head to the GI Champagne S., which could be a springboard to the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile. Bakke is also the owner of Girl With a Dream (Practical Joke). She broke her maiden impressively on July 24 at Ellis Park and will make her next start in Sunday's GI Spinaway S. for trainer Brad Cox. The hope is that she will earn her way to the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies.

Jack Christopher earned a 92 Beyer figure, just one point less than the leader among 2-year-olds, Big City Lights (Mr. Big).



Jim Bakke | Subzero-Wolf

Major Boost to Farr-Sighted Program

Monday, October 4, 2021 at 11:27 am | [Back to: Shared News](#)
Updated: October 4, 2021 at 11:27 am

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By *Chris McGrath*

It is still relatively early days in his Turf adventure. But no matter how much Paul Farr can build on what is fast becoming a pretty serious commitment, he may never experience a more succinct sample of its ups and downs-and how bewilderingly entwined those tend to be-than his debut involvement in a graded stakes.

That came just a few days ago, in the GIII Iroquois S. at Churchill: the first chance to bank starting points for a certain race staged on the same track next May. Time to start dreaming. Unfortunately Magnolia Midnight (Midnight Storm), a Colonial Downs maiden winner owned in partnership by his Titledown Racing Stables, dropped right out to finish last behind Major General (Constitution). On the other hand, the exciting winner happens to be the first foal out of an unraced daughter of Uncle Mo, No Mo Lemons, Farr had acquired from the estate of the late Gerry Dilger for just \$70,000 at Keeneland last November.



Major General (white bridle, inside) gets up in the Iroquois | Coady

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"I understand why people spend millions of dollars chasing this dream." Former Philadelphia Phillies outfielder Jayson Werth is a new investor in the sport, winning the 2024 Belmont Stakes with his horse Dornoch.



UHNWIs

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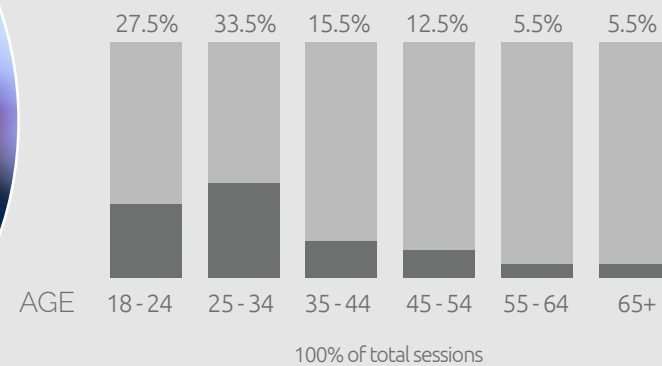
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\$4-MILLION CURLIN--BEHOLDER COLT LEADS 'MAGICAL NIGHT' IN SARATOGA
by Bill Finley

Luis Saez will ride **Mage** (Good Magic) in the upcoming GI Travers S., it was announced Tuesday afternoon in a tweet from trainer Gustavo Delgado, Sr.

He replaces Javier Castellano, who won the GI Kentucky Derby aboard the colt and also guided him to a third-place finish in the GI Preakness S. and a runner-up effort in the GI Haskell S. Saez rode Mage to a second-place finish in the GI Florida Derby. Saez opted to ride **Tapit Trice** (Tapit) in the Derby for trainer Todd Pletcher. **Tapit Trice** finished seventh.

Castellano is also the regular rider of **Arcangelo** (Arrogate) and won the GI Belmont S. on that colt for trainer Jena Antonucci. Like Mage, Arcangelo is being pointed to the Aug. 26 Travers.

"We have a tremendous amount of love and respect for Javier and we accomplished together what is a lifetime dream for everybody in racing," said Mage co-owner Ramiro Restrepo. "We are fully cognizant, fully aware of the difficult decision that he was facing when it came to picking between two very talented colts, both winners of American Classic races.

"It is our understanding that there will be a full field in the Travers of 11 or 12 horses. With most of those horses, they have riders spoken for them. We know Javier was having a difficult time choosing between both horses. There's not many jockeys available as the field is starting to take shape. We didn't want to be put in a position where we were left without a top rider if Javier chose otherwise. It was in our best interest to secure a rider who knows the horse and rode him to a great second-place finish in the Florida Derby." **Cont. p17**

IN TDN EUROPE TODAY LISTED DOUBLE FOR REDPENDER-BREDS

Jimmy Murphy's Redpender Stud bred a pair of Deauville listed winners on Sunday. Brian Sheerin finds out more.

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Consignor: Drawnstable Sales

SOUL OF AN ANGEL - BC F&M SPRINT (G1)
KY October Yearling Grad
Owners: C2 Racing Stable, Agave Racing Stable, & Ken T. Reimer
Trainer: Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. | Breeder: Westbrock Stables
Consignor: Westbrock Stables

STRAIGHT NO CHASER - BC SPRINT (G1)
Midlantic May 2YO Grad
Owner: MyRacehorse | Trainer: Dan Blucher
Breeder: John Eaton & Steve Layman
Consignor: Paul Sharp

SIERRA LEONE - BC CLASSIC (G1)
Saratoga Selected Yearling Grad
Owners: Peter M. Brant, Mrs. John Magner, Michael Tabou, Derrick Smith, Westenberg, & Brock T. Smith
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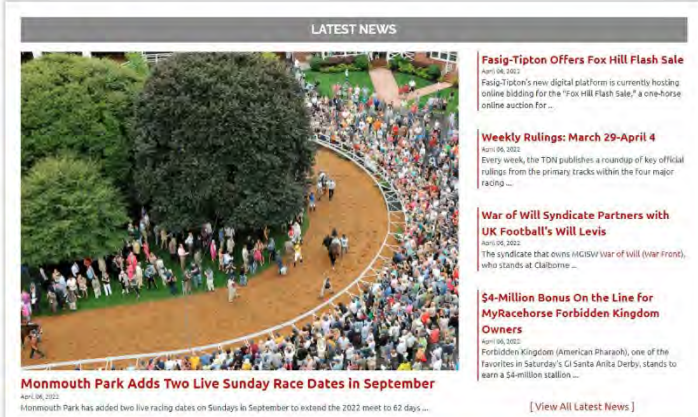
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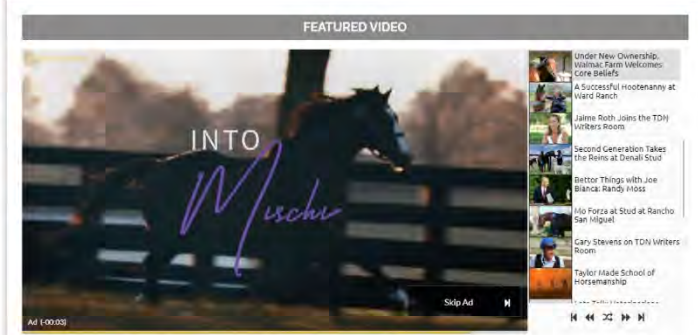
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The screenshot shows the TDN website homepage. At the top, there's a navigation bar with "DOWNLOAD TODAY'S EDITION" and "SUBSCRIBE TO THE TDN FOR FREE". Below this is a large banner for "2021 LEADING SIRE" with a table of names and win percentages. The table is as follows:

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Below the table is a "LATEST NEWS" section. To the right, there's a "COOLMORE AMERICA" ad with the text "PROVEN SIRE!" and a "CLICK FOR MORE" button. Below that is another "LATEST NEWS" section with a link to "Aushorse Releases Investors' Guide".

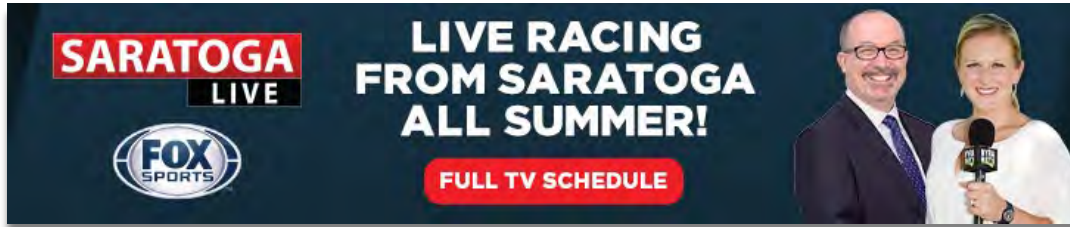
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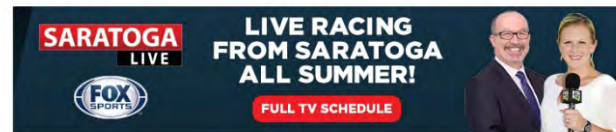
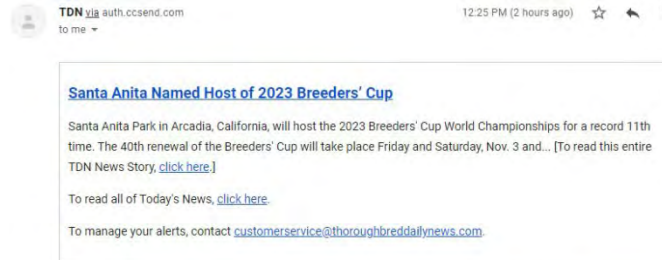
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In a very small percentage of cases, the horse in question suffers a rupture of the aorta or other large vessel, which will be evident during the necropsy examination. Once the necropsy examination is complete, the findings will be sent to a panel who will conduct their own post-mortem review of the fatality, looking at the broader circumstances leading up to the catastrophic injury, like the horse's regulatory history. Examples of these review panels' final reports can be read here.

Between 2011 and 2013, seven Bob Baffert-trained horses died suddenly during training or racing. A subsequent CHRB report found that Baffert-trained horses during that period were significantly more likely to die from sudden death than non-Baffert-trained horses, calling the difference "dramatic." The report noted that the horses had been administered thyroxine—a thyroid hormone used to treat hypothyroid conditions—and that use of thyroxine is "concerning in horses with suspected cardiac failure."

However, because the drug had been administered to all horses in Baffert's care at that time, the use of thyroxine "does not explain why all the fatalities occurred," the report found.

Baffert subsequently explained that he had stopped using the drug.

Predictably, PETA issued a statement Monday lashing out at the sport and urged that Baffert be banned.

"It's premature to say that Medina Spirit died of a heart attack or what the true cause of his fatal collapse was, given that many of trainer Bob Baffert's horses have suddenly dropped dead," the statement read. "Seven of Baffert's horses died mysteriously during a 16-month period that was suspiciously linked to his reckless and routine habit of administering the powerful hormone thyroxine to horses without thyroid conditions. Baffert has continued to be embroiled in drug controversies since then, including when Medina Spirit tested positive for drugs in the Kentucky Derby. All of Medina Spirit's veterinary records must be seized, and a thorough investigation must be conducted. Baffert's attorneys must not be allowed to control the narrative. PETA urges Santa Anita and Del Mar officials to bar Baffert, pending the outcome of an investigation and a necropsy."

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Value Sires cont. from p1.

For the vast majority, in numerical terms, the only way from here is down. As such, the covering stats do not augur terribly well for some of those we thought best value. And maddeningly, because these cycles are so self-fulfilling, it's hard to turn things around if you do struggle for early traction. A disappointing first book places a tough burden on its graduates to get you over the hump of the intervening couple of crops, which will tend to be smaller yet. So our faith in one or two, while undiminished, may not obviously yield "value" in the shorter term. If fairly priced now, at least measured by your odds of getting a runner, they are probably going to become better value yet during the next year or two.

At the other end of the spectrum, though the most expensive of the intake, Horse of the Year Authentic covered as many as 229 mares—only one fewer than the busiest stallion in the land, Goldencents. (Both, of course, are sons of Into Mischief standing alongside their champion sire at Spendthrift.) A number of other

His first crop, standing fourth by earnings, has matched Practical Joke and Connect with five black-type performers (including a GI Adirondack S. runner-up), only from fewer runners. His 19 winners from 57 starters meanwhile represents a similar base ratio, leaving Classic Empire deficient only in the kind of headline acts that so often make or break a young stallion's career. But he might well have found one of those in Rocket Dawg, who started repaying his \$375,000 yearling tag when impressing on debut for Brad Cox at Churchill last month. A couple of days later the \$550,000 2-year-old, Classy Edition, extended her unbeaten start for Todd Fletcher with a second stakes win.

Those were just a couple of late-season straws in the wind. Having excelled both in the ring and on the track, however, they represent a sample of the kind of stock that could quickly turn round the four consecutive fee cuts suffered by their sire. Over the years, the yearling market has acclaimed eventual duds as routinely as it has underrated sires of real potency. And if Classic Empire has so far achieved only a modest commercial yield, then his sliding fee has at least maintained sufficient traffic (321 mares over the last three seasons) to keep him in the game as he starts to draw out some exemplary old-school flavors in his pedigree.

Remember how Classic Empire unsetled his rider leaving the gate in the GI Hopeful S.? The opening was gratefully seized by his future studmate Practical Joke, but it was Classic Empire who regrouped to be champ. Maybe he could yet do something similar now.



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VALUE SIRES: FIRST JUVENILES IN '22

Silver: **MO TOWN** (Uncle Mo—Graziya Mille by Bernardini) \$7,500 Ashford

Now here's a guy whose every trajectory is climbing sharply— with the solitary exception of his fee, which is 40% down on his opening \$12,500. Time, in other words, for breeders to catch a rising tide... In 2020, down to \$10,000, he received 108 partners. Last spring, however, came a transformation: encouraged by Uncle Mo's flying start as a sire of sires, no fewer than 204 mares profited from another reduction in his fee (partly, of course, a Covid concession). So whatever Mo Town can do

with his first couple of crops, he is going to be far better placed than most to consolidate.

In the meantime, moreover, Mo Town has made a fine debut at the yearling sales, processing 70 of 78 at an average \$60,250. And his stock is entitled to land running...

Momentum is exactly what Mo Town has now, at a stage in his career when most rivals are nervously treading water.

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And that was consistent with the dash Unifed had shown in his own career, despite never making the track himself at two. He landed running with a 99 Beyer, clocked 1:47.14 in the GI Peter Pan, and missed the GI Carter H. by just a neck. And he has the physique and pedigree for his first sophomores to stretch that speed, too.

However, the really staggering advance made by Unifed since this time last year is the performance of his second crop at the yearling sales. He sold 39 out of 40 into the ring, an unbelievable ratio, for an average \$66,846—dizzily multiplying a fee that has, unusually enough, remained constant throughout. Remember that stallions are typically flattered by sales statistics, in that their averages "reward" them for failing to sell their least attractive stock. (Sure, you also have to factor in the occasional ambitious reserve for better models—but the principle stands.) Remember also that almost all stallions absorb considerable erosion in yearling values between their first and second crops, yet Unifed elevated his by almost exactly half from \$43,390. In the meantime, he had already turned round the slide so familiar in a young stallion's books.

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BUSINESSLIKE OPENER TO KEENELAND JANUARY



Session-topping Applauding | Keeneland

by Jessica Martini and Christie Deckermandis
The five-day Keeneland January Horses of All Ages Sale opened with a workmanlike session Monday in Lexington, Ky., with Applauding (Congrats), a mare originally led out unsold, ultimately bringing the day's highest price of \$360,000.



TRAINER RUIS FILES PETITION AGAINST CHRB

by Don Ross
Trainer Mick Ruis filed a petition against the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) Monday in the Los Angeles Superior Court for writ of mandamus and damages. The petition concerns Justice (Scat Daddy's victory in the 2018 GI Santa Anita Derby, in which the Ruis-trained Bot of Oro (Medaglia d'Oro) finished runner-up to the Bob Baffert-trained runner.
In a post-race urine sample, Justice tested positive for scopolamine—a prohibited substance—as revealed by The New York Times in a bombshell story September of last year. Scopolamine is found in Jimsonweed, which is known to contaminate feedstuffs like hay. The CHRB didn't file a complaint, choosing instead to dismiss Justice's positive in a closed-door session in August of 2018. *Cover, p.22*

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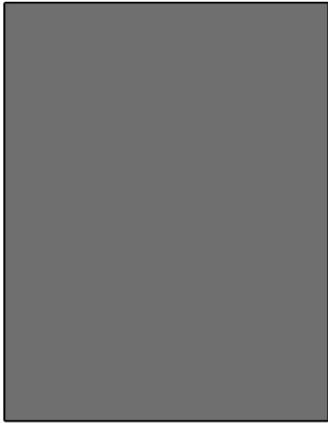
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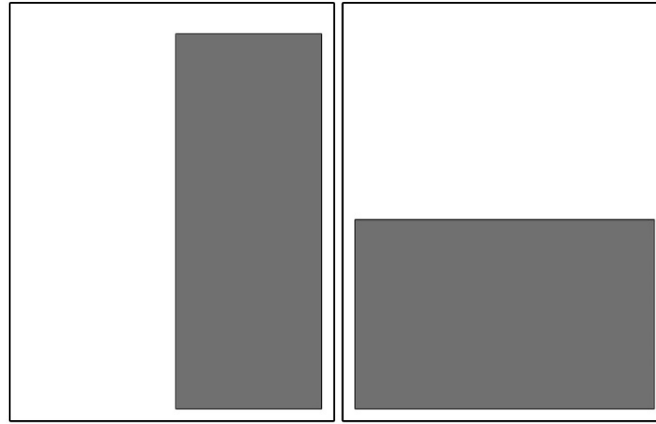
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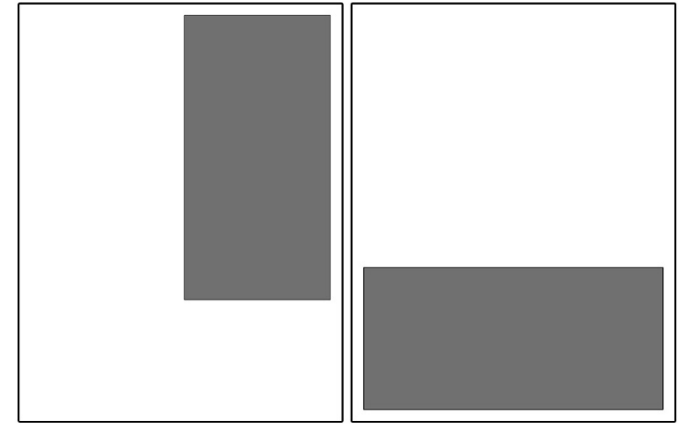
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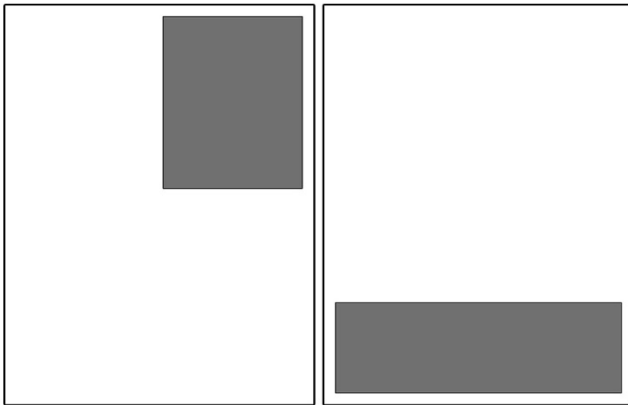
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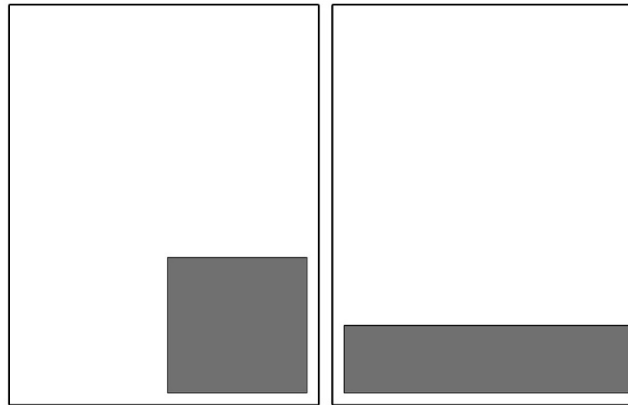
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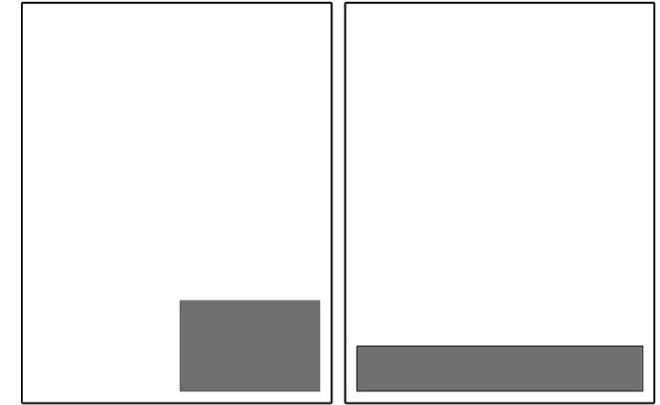
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