

Pesky spring guest buzzes Obama's Easter egg roll

WASHINGTON (AP) — A flying, buzzing harbinger of spring briefly upstaged President Barack Obama at the annual White House Easter egg roll Monday.

Squeals and shrieks from a clump of agitated children interrupted Obama's reading of his childhood favorite, Maurice Sendak's "Where the Wild Things Are," at the storytime stage, one of several outdoor stations at an event that has grown into far more than colored eggs.

Obama looked up to see what the trouble was.

"Oh no, it's a bee!" he said, laughing, then quickly tried to reassure the kids. "That's OK guys, bees are good. They won't land on you. They won't sting you."

In fact, helping honeybees and other beleaguered pollinators survive is a goal of Obama's administration. Elsewhere at the event, children were given donat-

ed Burpee garden seeds to encourage them to plant bee-friendly habitats.

But the kids ducking and dodging in their hay-bale seats had no interest in being part of this bee's habitat. "Scary!" one of them shouted.

Obama — who had just led the children through imitations of the roaring, teeth-gnashing and eye-rolling of the storybook's monsters, finally got them settled down after a reminder that, "You're not supposed to be scared of bees when you're Wild Things."

Officials said more than 35,000 people took part in the 137th egg roll, an event that began when President Rutherford B. Hayes opened the White House grounds to local children for egg rolling in 1878.

Toddler boys in straw fedoras and little girls in spring dresses with bright sashes



Children participate in the White House Easter Egg Roll on the South Lawn of White House in Washington, Monday. Thousands of children gathered at the White House for the annual Easter Egg Roll.

romped on the lawn. One girl, in pants, turned cartwheels while waiting her turn to roll a wooden egg.

Eleven-year-old Madison Knight, decked out in sequined rabbit ears, said she'd never heard of egg rolling before — only egg hunting — but was game to try the White

House tradition.

Madison and her 9-year-old friend Kyla Newkirk, both from Durham, North Carolina, agreed that wasn't the most exciting part of the day, however. Their anticipated highlight? "Seeing the president!" Madison said, as she waited for Obama, first

lady Michelle Obama and a giant Easter Bunny to emerge on the South Potomac to officially start the day.

The egg roll tradition involves children lining up to use wooden spoons to push the brightly painted eggs a short distance across the grass, in a loosely defined race to the finish line. It's harder than it sounds — especially for toddlers — and strategies range from nudging, poking and sideswiping the eggs to a scooping motion that sometimes sends them flying in unexpected directions.

The Obamas stopped by to give encouragement. Michelle Obama leaned over to gently help one youngster get his egg moving again in mid-race. Obama offered high-fives, handshakes and hugs to kids and their parents. "Good job, guys," he said.

The Obamas used the event to tout the fifth anniversary

of the first lady's campaign to get kids to eat well and exercise. The girl group Fifth Harmony appeared with a not-so-healthy-looking cake to sing "Happy Birthday" to the "Let's Move!" effort.

This year, the (hash)GimmeFive theme was added, encouraging children to come up with five ways live healthier lives and to share them on social media.

Making his rounds, Obama joined kids shooting baskets with Washington Wizards players and other athletes, missing his first shot but sinking the second.

Then he took on tennis star Caroline Wozniacki in a doubles game with kids on a mini-court. Obama whooped when he scored against the Danish pro.

"Got to work on those volleys," he teased, adding, "I'm a competitor."

Then she served, and the president missed the return.

Television > Today's highlights



Kyle Howard and Kat Foster in "Your Family or Mine"

NCIS: New Orleans

19 KEPR KOIN 9:00 p.m.

During a routine autopsy on a petty officer who appeared to die from natural causes, Dr. Wade (CCH Pounder), Sebastian (Rob Kerkovich) and Danny (Christopher Meyer) are taken hostage by an armed man who demands the remains.

Chicago Fire

25 KNDU KGW 10:00 p.m.

The members of Firehouse 51 race to the scene of a gas leak in this special episode, which introduces Chicago Med personnel. After the victims are transported to Chicago Med, one of the patients claims to be the carrier of a deadly airborne disease.

Forever

42 KVEW KATU 10:00 p.m.

The competitive world of ballet takes center stage as Henry (Ioan Gruffudd) and Jo (Alana De La Garza) race to find a body in this new episode. Academy Award winner Cuba Gooding Jr. reprises his role as Jo's love interest Isaac Monroe.

Haunting: Australia

5VFX 10:00 p.m.

At one time, the staff of Aradale Asylum performed pre-frontal lobotomies and electro-shock therapy. These days, the facility appears to deliver paranormal activity in large doses. The team tries to communicate with one of the asylum's lost souls.

Your Family or Mine

TBS 10:00 p.m.

Kyle Howard and Kat Foster star as Oliver and Kelli, a young couple juggling the demands of both their families. Based on a popular Israeli comedy, the series also stars Richard Dreyfuss and JoBeth Williams as Oliver's parents, Ricky and Louis.

7 Little Johnstons

TLC 10:00 p.m.

TLC presents back-to-back new episodes of this reality TV series, which profiles the Johnston family. Parents Amber and Trent invite viewers to share their adventures with their five children, all of whom have achondroplasia dwarfism.

Talk shows

6:00 a.m. 42 KVEW Good Morning Northwest

WPIX Maury

6:30 a.m. 42 KVEW Good Morning Northwest

7:00 a.m. 19 KEPR KOIN CBS This Morning

25 KNDU KGW Today Show Candice Bergen on her book, 'A Fine Romance.'

42 KVEW KATU Good Morning America

ESPN2 ESPN First Take

WPIX Maury

8:00 a.m. WPIX The Jerry Springer Show

HBO Real Time With Bill Maher

9:00 a.m. 19 KEPR The Meredith Vieira Show

25 KNDU KGW Today Show II Stefanie Wilder Taylor on her book, 'Gummy Bears Should Not Be Organic.'

42 KVEW Live! With Kelly and Michael

WPIX The Jerry Springer Show

Guests today say the weight of their relationships are too much to bare.

10:00 a.m. 25 KNDU KGW Today Show III Gary Cole on 'Veep.'

42 KVEW KATU The View

ESPN2 ESPN First Take

HALL Home and Family

WPIX The Bill Cunningham Show

11:00 a.m. 11 KFFX The Real

25 KNDU Steve Harvey

KATU Live! With Kelly and Michael

WPIX The Bill Cunningham Show

noon KPTV The Real

31 KTNW Charlie Rose

42 KVEW KATU The Chew

HALL Home and Family

WPIX The Steve Wilkos Show A man believes his partner has been having sex with his brother.

1:00 p.m. KPTV The Wendy Williams Show

19 KEPR KOIN The Talk

59 OPB Charlie Rose

The Steve Wilkos Show

2:00 p.m. KOIN 42 KVEW The Doctors

KGW The Dr. Oz Show

KATU The Meredith Vieira Show

3:00 p.m. 19 KEPR KOIN Dr. Phil

25 KNDU The Dr. Oz Show

KGW The Ellen DeGeneres Show

42 KVEW The Rachael Ray Show

KATU Steve Harvey

4:00 p.m. 25 KNDU The Ellen DeGeneres Show

42 KVEW The Queen Latifah Show

With John Oliver

7:00 p.m. HBO2 Real Time With Bill Maher

8:00 p.m. HBO2 Last Week Tonight With John Oliver

11:00 p.m. 31 KTNW Charlie Rose

TBS Conan Guests include Ricky Gervais, Sen. Elizabeth Warren and Awnolnation.

11:35 p.m. 19 KEPR KOIN The Late Show With David Letterman

25 KNDU KGW The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon

42 KVEW KATU Jimmy Kimmel Live

Midnight FNC Red Eye With Greg Gutfeld

12:30 a.m. TBS Conan Guests include Ricky Gervais, Sen. Elizabeth Warren and Awnolnation.

12:35 a.m. 25 KNDU KGW Late Night With Seth Meyers

19 KEPR KOIN The Late Late Show With James Corden Rob Corddry, Megan Mullally and Tig Notaro visit.

1:35 a.m. 25 KNDU KGW Last Call With Carson Daly

2:05 a.m. 25 KNDU Today Show

5:30 a.m. 42 KVEW Good Morning Northwest

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TUESDAY MORNING

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