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Lawsuit filed against city/former BSPD detective

demeanor charges includ-

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

A lawsuit has been filed in the 118th District court against the city of Big Spring and a former Big Spring police officer who was fired after he was indicted on multiple sex charges last year.

According to court records, the lawsuit was filed by a family member of a minor child, one of multiple victims



ed and arrested in April 2016 on multiple felony and mising indecency with a child and sexual performance by a child. Rojo was fired from the department in June 2016. The plaintiff is requesting

monetary damages of more than \$100,000, the court records stated, for causing the minor mental aguish and physical pain along with mental anguish of her family. According to court docu-

ments, lawyers for the plain-

tiff contend, "The City of Big Spring contributed to cause this abuse by unconstitutional policies and customs concerning training, supervision, monitoring, discipline, and screening. These deficiencies allowed Detective Rojo — who told (a family member) that he was the top Juvenile Officer — repeatedly to hold minor girls, and other females, for solitary questioning in rooms not visible from the outside, to abuse them, and lewdly to photograph them literally in the police station.

"The City's unconstitutional policies and customs were a moving force that that allowed Defendant Rojo to separate minor girls from their parents, and to transport them in squad cars with no one else present, during

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County chooses not to renew employment contract with Abilene company

By ROBERT BARLOW

Staff Writer

A contract was not renewed between the Senior Service America Inc.'s Senior Community Service employ-

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sioners Wiseman Courtfor the upcoming year during Monday's meeting.

During the meeting, a discussion was held on whether or not the court wanted to renew the contract with the company and continue to use their employees for certain work around the city.

"There's been quite a bit of discussion about some of the workers," said Judge

Katherine Wiseman. "(They) have cost some expense but at the same time have helped us with a lot of time that would have been spent out there."

The company, based in Abilene, sends out workers to various entities to help them maintain a job. A lot of time the employees sent over are not able to work full-time. Wiseman went on to discuss they have faced several difficulties with some of the former employees the service brings and the cost they spend trying to compensate for the mistakes may potentially outweigh the benefit of having this extra labor.

"We did have one last year that was charged with a crime," Wiseman said. "We have also had numerous complaints about one of them from one of

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A donation of life



HERALD photo/Robert Barlow

Big Spring Fire Department Operations Chief Jay Holt accepts a check on behalf of the Big Spring Fire Department from SM Energy and RockPile Energy Services for the purchase of a Jaws of Life set for the emergency services. "This new set is the latest technology in rescue equipment that is battery powered," said Holt. "There is no power plant, there is no hoses, it helps the deployment of the rescue tools off the truck into action. It cuts the time a bunch." Pictured from left to right, Dusty Wales, Glen Fradenburg, Holt, David Carrillo, Kate Noble, and Jonathan Nix.

Juneteenth celebration planned for Saturday

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Juneteenth, the day marking the end of slavery in the Lone Star State, falls on June 19 every year. This year, a local group is taking advantage of the weekend and celebrating two days early, this Satur-



a.m. to 10 p.m.

"The past two years, we've been having a celebration in Morgan Park," said event organizer Teresa Walker. "Last year, I looked at it and thought, 'We can do better than this.' So I partnered with the

> CVB (Convention and Visitors Bureau) and we just got together and they were able to dispense some funds. So this year,

day, June 17, from 10 we thought, well, we're going to do something a little bit better and make it a community event. We're having live music. We wanted to center it around the children, so we're doing face-painting, we're having a hot dog eating contest, we're having a talent show, we have a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, we're having a dominos tournament. The biggest thing that I think the kids will enjoy will be the rolling video

game mobile. That's coming out of Midland from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.'

Other events include an ice cream eating contest, a performance by local musician Marcus Trey, and a dance. Walker said there will

be no charge for the "I just remember hav-

ing three children and having to go from vendor to vendor to pay for certain food items, and it got quite expensive," she said. "So

when you're looking at ing people to come out the economic status of where the event will be held, the north side, and single parents... We certainly wanted to make this an event which would benefit the kids and benefit the parent's pocket as well.'

Walker advised those planning to come out to the celebration to bring their own lawn chairs, blankets, coolers, sun screen, and mosquito repellant. "We're just encourag-

and have a family funfilled event," she said. "A day to remember and a day to commemorate." Walker said Juneteenth is a special holiday for Texas civil rights.

"It's June 19, also called 'Juneteenth' or 'Freedom Day,'" she said. "It's just a holiday that commemorates the June 19, 1865, announcement of the

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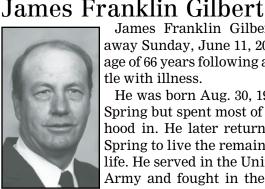
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James Franklin Gilbert passed away Sunday, June 11, 2017, at the age of 66 years following a long battle with illness.

He was born Aug. 30, 1950 in Big Spring but spent most of his childhood in. He later returned to Big Spring to live the remainder of his life. He served in the United States Army and fought in the Vietnam War. Most of his life was spent

working in the oil field and ranching up until about the last 15 years when he began ranching full time.

He is survived by a brother; Gilbert; a sister, Bonnie and husband, Archie, all of Big Spring; 11 nephews; 7 nieces; and numerous great and great-greatnieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Charlotte Gilbert; his father, Garland Gilbert; two sisters,

Elias R. Chavez, Sr.



Elias R. Chavez, Sr., 86, of Big Spring, died Saturday, June 10, 2017, at his residence. Vigil services will be at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He was born April 17, 1931 to Tomasa Rocha Chavez and Rafael Chavez in Martindale, Texas. He had been a resi-

dent in the community since 1947. Elias married Grace Cuellar on December 2, 1956 in Harlingen, Texas. He served in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany and Korea. Elias retired after 35 total years of civil service having worked at Webb Air Force Base and the Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Obituaries

Irene and Clara Richey; two brothers, Alvin Gilbert and Grady Gilbert; a niece, Sheila Gilbert; a nephew, David; and a great-nephew, Land.

Jim" as he preferred to be called was a kind hearted man and would help anyone at any time and anyway he could. He had a knack for storytelling and you could never quite tell if he was pulling your leg or not. He kept his family and friends always smiling and will be greatly missed by all!

The family will receive friends Tuesday, June 13, 2017 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

The family requests memorial donations be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105 Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-

Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Condolences may be made at www.npwwelch.com. Paid obituary

He is survived by his wife Grace Chavez of Big Spring; four sons: Elias Chavez, Jr. and wife Anna of Sweetwater, Gilberto Chavez of Castroville, Texas, Esteban Chavez of Canyon and Tomas Chavez, Sr., of New Braunfels; two daughters: Irene Garcia and husband John Sr. of Waco and Cindy Chavez Rosa of Big Spring; two sisters: Mary Chavez of Big Spring and Toña Podhirny of Burkburnett; one brother: Chon Chavez of Big Spring; a sister-in-law: Mary Lou Wilson and husband Mark Welch of Big Spring; 11 grandchildren and four great grandchil-

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers: Natividad "Nate" Chavez, Camilo Chavez, Sr., and Juan Chavez; one sister: Gavina Chavez Nuñez and a daughter-in-law: Chervl Walker Chavez.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3700 block of Wright. One person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 100 block of West 8th. One person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 5100 block of Dawson Drive. One person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 500 block
- of Westover. One person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported near 12th and Gregg Street. One person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported near mile marker 191 on E I-20. One person was transported to the Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Cost has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to a

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third

· Big Spring Centennial Lion's Club meets twice

a month at the Big Spring TA Truck Stop. They

meet on the first Tuesday of the month at noon and

the 3td Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Visitors are

• The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans

of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every

month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more infor-

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• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors

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meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the sym-

Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of

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are invited to come.

phony office, 808 Scurry Street.

the second Thursday

of each month at 7 p.m.

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Take Note

• The Big Spring Salvation Army and the Big Spring Center for Skilled Care are holding a fan drive to collect and distribute electric fans to those 55 and older in Howard County. Those wishing to donate can take new or gently used box or pedestal fans to the Salvation Army headquarters at 811 W. Fifth St. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.; or to the Center for Skilled Care at 3701 Wasson Rd. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Seniors 55 and older who need a fan should call the Salvation Army at 432-267-8239 or the Center for SKilled Care at 432-606-5012 to register and receive the distribution date.

- Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998. If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.
- Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.
- Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.



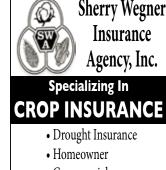
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David E. McGruder

David E. McGruder, 69, of Big Spring, died Thursday, June 8, 2017 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police & Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity: JOSE GUADALUPE GARCIA, 22, of 1212 E

- 16th Street, was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance (less than one gram) and RAMON GUADALUPE BAZALDUA, 23, of
- 4101 Dixon Street, was arrested on charges of assault by contact and resisting arrest or search. • VIRGINIA MAY CALL, 56, of 239 Sylvia Av-
- enue, was arrested on a warrant from another MARK HOLLIS RYERSON, 29, of 2911 W High way 80, was arrested on warrants for expired driv-
- ers license, expired registration, and failure to maintain financial responsibility. • JORDAN DEAN BALIOS, 26, of 605 E 13th Street, was arrested on charges of driving while license suspended and failure to maintain financial
- ANGEL ENRIQUE HINOJOSA, 20, of 1501 Sta dium Street, was arrested on a warrant for crimi nal trespassing.
- DAVID ARGUELLO JR, 36, of 507 Lancaster Street, was arrested on a three warrants from other SAMUEL EUGENE WOODS, 51, of 4201 W
- Highway 80, was arrested on a warrant from an other agency. GREGORY ANTIONE CARTER II, 23, of 208
- Robin Street, was arrested on charges of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, two counts of possession of a controlled substance (less than one gram), possession of a controlled substance, and on a warrant from another agency.
- LAURA MARQUEZ, 37, of 3313 E 11th Place. was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- KRISTIE NICHOLE GARZA, 28, of 1202 E 15th Street, was arrested on a charge of public intoxica-
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1900 block of Alabama Street and the 4100 block of Dixon Street.
- THEFT OF A FIREARM was reported in the 3600 block of W HWY 80.
- STOLEN VEHICLE was reported in the 3600 block of W HWY 80.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 800 block of E 11th Place and the 1100 block of Lamar

The Howard County Sheriff's Department report ed the following activity:

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 83 inmates at the time of this report.

- DAVID ARGUELLO JR, 36, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for driving while license invalid, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and violating promise to appear.
- JORDAN DEAN BALIOS, 26, was booked by the BSPD on charges of driving while license suspended and failure to maintain financial responsi-
- RAMON GUADALUPE BAZALDUA, 23, was booked by the BSPD on charges of assault by con-
- tact and resisting arrest or search. VIRGINIA MAY CALL, 56, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for violation of probation.
- **GREGORY ANTOINE CARTER**, 23, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for probation violation, unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, two counts of possession of a controlled substance less than one gram, and possession of a controlled substance between 3 and 28 grams.
- JOSE GARCIA, 22, was booked by the BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance less than one gram and evading arrest or detention.
- KRISTIE NICOLE GARZA, 28, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- ANGEL ENRIQUE HINOJOSA, 20, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for criminal trespassing. LAURA ANN MARQUEZ, 37, was booked by

the BSPD on a warrant for bail jumping and failure

- SAN JUANITA ALVAREZ VILLEGAS, 38, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for no driv-
- ers license, no liability insurance, and violating promise to appear. SAMUEL EUGENE WOODS, 51, was booked
- by the BSPD on a warrant for theft of property less than \$2500 with two previous convictions.



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the buildings he was supposed to be maintaining."

A motion was made to not continue or renew the contract for the following year with the company. It was approved unanimously by the court.

In addition to the contract not being renewed, County Road and Bridge Administrator Brian Klinksiek brought up a problem he has been facing in regards to his purchasing power. Commissioner Craig Bailey for Precinct 2 mentioned he had spoken with Klinksiek and discussed a proval from Mr. Cline," suggested proposal for a solution to the problem they have.

"If Brian runs out of emulsion before one of these meetings he can not purchase anymore because it exceeds his purchasing capabilities," said Bailev.

Klinksiek often needs materials that required approval by the court to be purchased long before a commissioners meeting was scheduled, causing him to have to hold off on certain construction projects until his purchase could be approved.

"Allow Brian to make the purchase of the emulsion with a secondary apBailey.

The court decided to allow for a temporary fix for now to let Klinksiek have the capabilities to finish the work he needs to. However for the future, a similar system may be in place where Klinksiek can make the purchases that exceed his power with the secondary approval of Commissioner Cline.

The court motioned to approve the temporary fix by allowing Klinksiek to get the materials he needed before the next meeting takes place. However the issue was tabled so it can be discussed further at a future commissioners court meeting to get into detail about what his newly defined purchasing power entails.

Other items discussed at the meeting include:

- · Sheriff Stan Parker proposed a meeting with the court officials and other EMS officials to discuss proposals and possible bids for new radios. · Personnel considerations were
- approved with the exception of one position that the court decided fell outside of their jurisdiction. • Invoices, purchase requests,
- and the monthly reports were all approved by the court.

LAWSUIT

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which transport he drove to hidden places to conduct his despicable acts," the petition for lawsuit contends.

With this particular victim, the lawsuit contends Rojo on three separate occasions used his authority to get the child alone and took lewd photographs of her, among other allegations.

Big Spring City Manager Todd Darden confirmed to the *Herald* this morning the city has received a copy of lawsuit and the matter has been referred to the city attorney.

Allegations against Rojo first surfaced in August 2015. At that time, the BSPD launched an investigation and placed Rojo on administrative leave. The investigation was turned over to the Texas Rangers at the behest of BSPD Chief of Police Chad Williams.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 235, or citydesk@bigspringeheemail rald.com.

Tillerson: North Korea releases US college student

By MATTHEW LEE AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) North Korea has re-

leased Otto Warmbier, an American college student who was serving a 15-year prison term with hard labor for alleged anti-state acts, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson said Tuesday. The U.S. announce-

ment that came as former NBA player Dennis Rodman was paying a return visit to Pyong-

"At the direction of the President, the Department of State has secured the release of Otto Warmbier from North Korea," Tiller-

son said in a statement. "Mr. Warmbier is en route to the U.S. where he will be reunited with his family."

The Washington Post,

citing Warmbier's parents, reported that he had been medically evacuated from North

Korea in a coma, and was due to arrive home in Cincinnati on Tuesday evening.

The report said he had been a coma for more than a year, since shortly after his last public appearance at his trial in Pyongyang in March

2016. The Associated Press could not immediately confirm that information. Warmbier's family did not respond to calls seeking comment.

The statement by Tillerson, which he later read Tuesday morning at a congressional hearing, offered no other details and made no mention of Rodman's visit. Tillerson said the department would have no further comment on Warmbier and his condition, citing privacy concerns.

But he noted that the State Department is continuing "to have discussions" with North Korea about the release of other three American citizens who are jailed

there. A North Korean foreign ministry official said Warmbier was retry Tuesday morning.

The official, who spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because no formal statement had been released, said he could not provide further details.

It was not immediately clear if Rodman's visit to North Korea was purely coincidental with Warmbier's release. Rodman has traveled to the isolated nation four times previously and is one of few people to have met both North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and President Donald Trump. Speaking to reporters in Beijing before his arrival in Pyongyang on Tuesday, he said that the issue of several Americans detained by North Korea is "not my purpose right now."

In March 2016, North Korea's highest court sentenced Warmbier to 15 years in prison with hard labor for subversion as he tearfully confessed that he had tried to steal a propaganda banner.

Warmbier, 22, a University of Virginia undergraduate, was convicted and sentenced in a one-hour trial in North Korea's Supreme Court.

The U.S. government condemned the sentence and accused North Korea of using such American detainees as political pawns.

The North Korean court held that Warmbier had committed a crime "pursuant to the U.S. government's hostile policy toward (the North), in a bid to impair the unity of its people after entering it as a tourist.'

North Korea regularly accuses Washington and Seoul of sending spies to overthrow its government to enable the U.S.-backed South Korean government to take control of the Korean Peninsula.

Before his trial, Warmbier had said he tried to steal a propaganda banner as a

leased and left the countrophy for an acquaintance who wanted to hang it in her church. That would be grounds in North Korea for a subversion charge.

> He identified the church as Friendship United Methodist Church. Meshach Kanyion, pastor of the church in Wyoming, declined to comment Wednesday.

> North Korea nounced Warmbier's arrest in late January 2016, saying he committed an anti-state crime with "the tacit connivance of the U.S. government and under its manipulation." Warmbier had been staying at the Yanggakdo International Hotel. It is common for sections of tourist hotels to be reserved for North Korean staff and off-limits to foreigners.

> In a tearful statement made before his trial, Warmbier told a gathering of reporters in Pyongyang he was offered a used car worth \$10,000 if he could get a propaganda banner and was also told that if he was detained and didn't return, \$200,000 would be paid to his mother in the form of a charitable donation.

> Warmbier said he accepted the offer because his family was "suffering from very severe financial difficulties."

> Warmbier also said he had been encouraged by the university's "Z Society," which he said he was trying to join. The magazine of the university's alumni association describes the Z Society as a "semi-secret ring society" founded in 1892 that conducts philanthropy, puts honorary dinners and grants academic awards.

> Sen. Rob Portman of Ohio said in a statement that Tillerson had confirmed to him Warmbier's release. He said that over the past 18 months, Warmbier's family has "had to endure more than any family should have to bear." He said Warmbier's sentence

was "unnecessary and appalling."

In the past, North Korea has held out until senior U.S. officials or statesmen came to personally bail out detainees, all the way up to former President Bill Clinton, whose visit in 2009 secured the freedom of American journalists Euna Lee and Laura Ling.

In November 2014, U.S. spy chief James Clapper went to Pyongyang to bring home Matthew Miller, who had ripped up his visa when entering the country and was serving a six-year sentence on an espionage charge, and Korean-American missionary Kenneth Bae, who had been sentenced to 15 years for alleged antigovernment activities.

Jeffrey Fowle, other U.S. tourist from Ohio detained for six months at about the same time as Miller, was released just before that and sent home on a U.S. government plane. Fowle left a Bible in a local club hoping a North Korean would find it, which is considered a criminal offense in North Korea.

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abolition of slavery in Texas."

In June 1865, nearly three years after Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation, and more than two months after Confederate General Robert E. Lee surrendered at Appomattox Courthouse signaling the end of the Civil War, there were still about 250,000 slaves in Texas. On June 18, 1865, Union General Gordon Granger arrived by sea in Galveston. The next day, June 19, he issued an announcement that all slaves in Texas were free.

"The people of Texas are informed that, in accordance with a proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free," the announcement said. "This involves an absolute equality of personal rights and rights of property between former masters and slaves, and the connection heretofore existing between them becomes that between employer and hired labor." Granger went on to advise newly freed slaves to continue working peacefully for their former masters as hired workers.

The first "Juneteenth" celebration occurred on June 19 the next year. In 1980, the day was established as a state holiday in Texas; and by 2016, 45 states and the District of Columbia have recognized it as a state holiday, a ceremonial holiday, or a day of observance.

To register for the basketball tournament or the talent show, contact Walker at 432-213-8235.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 432-263-7331 ext. 232 or by email at life@bigspringherald.

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Memorial Park. Ronald Wayne Benton, 68, died Wednesday. Services pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. David E. McGruder, 69, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Fu-

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TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Officials are looking to establish an Amtrak passenger rail service between Texas and Kansas.

The Topeka Capital-Journal reports that about two dozen people gathered on the platform of Topeka's Amtrak station Friday to meet a special inspection train that was traveling from Fort Worth, Texas, to Kansas City, Missouri. The train was meant to give Amtrak officials and some state and local officials the opportunity to see what a new route following the Interstate 35 corridor could look like.

Amtrak official Joe McHugh says the inspection car had seen a "tremendous turnout" from communities north of Oklahoma City, which haven't seen passenger rail service since 1979, when Amtrak halted its Lone Star train.

McHugh says Amtrak will work with BNSF Railway, which owns the tracks, to establish service.

Convicted killer of Dallas woman in 1999 gets execution date HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) - A Dallas man on

death row for the slaying of his ex-girlfriend more than 17 years ago has received an execution date for early next year.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Jason Clark says the agency has received court documents setting 64-year-old William Rayford for lethal injection Jan. 30.

Rayford had been on parole after serving eight years of a 23-year sentence for the slaying of his estranged wife when he was arrested for the November 1999 killing of his ex-girlfriend, Carol Lynn Thomas Hall. The 44-year-old Hall was beaten, stabbed and strangled at her Dallas home. Her body then was dumped in a creek.

Hall's 11-year-old son also was beaten and stabbed as he tried to stop the attack but survived and testified against Rayford.

4 teens hurt in shooting at Houstonarea apartment complex

HOUSTON (AP) — Harris County sheriff's officers are investigating the shooting of four teenagers during a confrontation at a suburban apartment complex north of Houston.

One of the victims, a 16-year-old girl, is hospitalized in critical condition with a gunshot wound to her head. Injuries to the other three are not considered life-threatening.

Authorities say at least two people have been questioned but no arrests have been announced.

Deputies say groups of teens got involved in an argument and someone started shooting late Sunday night. Neighbors say as many as several dozen teens, some from adjacent apartment complexes, had gathered at the time of the gunfire.

Tourist, 20, from Texas drowns in German capital

BERLIN (AP) — Berlin police say a 20-year-old American tourist has drowned after trying to swim across a river in the heart of the German capital.

Police spokeswoman Valeska Jakubowski says the man from Texas had jumped into the Spree river early Sunday with a 21-year-old friend.

The older man managed to swim the short distance across the river but the Texan failed to reach

Two passers-by, including a Danish lifeguard, tried unsuccessfully to save the man. He was recov-

ered by firefighters but later died in hospital. Jakubowski said Monday that the deceased man

is believed to have consumed alcohol and drugs before jumping into the river.

She declined to identify the man, citing German privacy rules.

7 hurt in single-vehicle South Texas SUV wreck

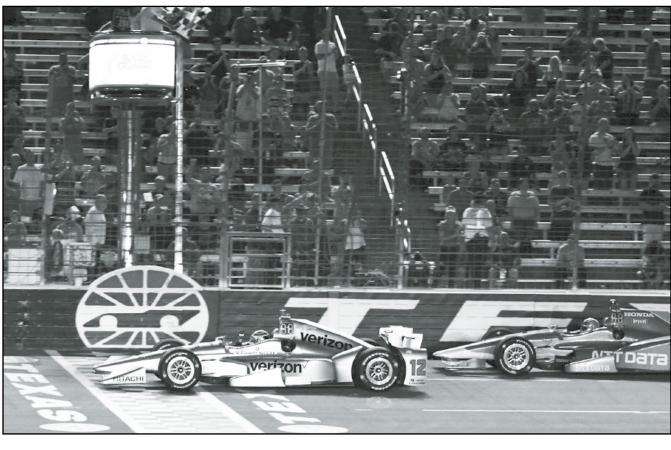
GEORGE WEST, Texas (AP) — Seven people five of them children — have been hurt in a onevehicle wreck in South Texas.

Department of Public Safety troopers say a tire blowout caused the SUV to crash late Sunday morning on U.S. Highway 59 in southwestern Live Oak

Two of the children have been taken by helicopter to Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi, about 60 miles to the southeast. The three other children and an adult were taken to the hospital by ambulance. Another adult was taken to Christus Spohn Shoreline Hospital, also in Corpus Christi.

Authorities say none of the injuries appears life threatening. One of the children was in a car seat and all the others were wearing seat belts.

Amtrak mulling over Texas to Kansas Turmoil for IndyCar with the pack back at repaved Texas



Will Power, of Australia, takes the checkered flag under yellow for the win, followed by Tony Kanaan, of Brazil, during the IndyCar auto race at Texas Motor Speedway, Saturday, June 10, 2017, in Fort Worth, Texas.

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Tony Kanaan realized within a matter of laps on the repayed and reconfigured track that the pack was back.

At Texas Motor Speedway, where over the past 20 years IndyCar has had some of its fastest and most exciting finishes, drivers quickly worked in a second groove on the 1½-mile track that was repaved earlier this year. Some even were going threewide, whether meant to or not.

"Very intense from first lap to the last lap," Kanaan said. "I'm glad it's over."

But Will Power had anticipated every bit of that before starting the race that he won under caution late Saturday night.

"I didn't say whether it was good or bad," Power said, recalling his prerace conversation with a series official. "I absolutely knew it would be a pack race."

What ensued was a tumultuous race under a full moon, with Kanaan getting blamed and penalized — for a big wreck before he recovered from being two laps down to get his fifth runner-up finish in

end, and only six drivers completed all 248 Kanaan, who won at Texas in 2004, never

Only nine of the 22

cars that started were

listed as running at the

expected the race to develop as it did. "I don't think we should be doing this the way it is," Kanaan said. "We should be coming

to Texas. The fans are great. This track is awesome. But I think we should change the format a little bit. How, I don't know. We've got to figure it out."

The race was redflagged for nearly 31 minutes with just under 100 laps left after Kanaan drifted up coming off the backstretch and suddenly squeezed James Hinchcliffe, who then made contact with his Schmidt Peterson Motorsports teammate Mikhail Aleshin.

That triggered a carcrushing, spark-spraying chain reaction in Turns 3 and 4 involving eight cars as Kanaan was able to drive away. "I guess I moved up,

and I really have to apologize to Hinch," Kanaan said. "I've been around it way too long to do any silly things like that, and if I did, it was really a mistake, and I apologize for it." IndyCar penalized

Kanaan for avoidable contact and blocking. He was held in his pit for 20 seconds during green-flag conditions, but was able to make up the lost time and laps because of all the vellow

There were a record nine cautions for an IndyCar race at Texas, and five of them involved contact.

And that doesn't even count the incident on nit road during the first yellow when Hinchcliffe swerved into Helio Castroneves to pin Takuma Sato against the wall as they were exiting. Hinchcliffe was penalized then for avoidable contact.

Two were competition vellows for mandatory tire changes that Indv-Car added late because of some blistering issues with tires on the fresh pavement.

Power led 180 laps though he and Scott Dixon kept trading the lead back-and-forth — a total of 11 lead changes in a span of just over 50 laps — until the final contact with five laps remaining.

car in which he won the Indianapolis 500 two weeks earlier, was pushing for the lead when he clipped the grass along the front stretch.

Sato, driving the same

Sato got loose and up into Dixon, taking both of them out of the race that never went green again.

"Like the easiest day of your life if you lead a pack race," Power said.

Not so easy for eyeryone else, including Simon Pagenaud, his Team Penske teammate who finished third.

"There were a thousand events," Pagenaud said. "It's all a blur."

Texas officer to appeal excessive-force ruling at hearing

By JAIME DUNAWAY

DALLAS

Associated Press

(AP)

A white Fort Worth police officer's appeal of his 10-day suspension for using excessive force in the arrest of a black woman and her daughters is set for this week.

Officer William Martin's suspension could be overturned, upheld or

modified in the disciplinary hearing scheduled Tuesday, Fort Worth Civil Service Commission secretary Monique Schomp said.

City Assistant Manager Valerie Washington said an attorney for the city will argue Police Chief Joel Fitzgerald within his authority to discipline Martin after the officer was seen on video wrestling Jacqueline Craig to the ground during a Dec. 21 confrontation.

Craig had called police to report that a neighbor choked her 7-yearold son for allegedly littering in his yard. One of Craig's daughters took a video of the interaction between her mother and the officer, and posted it to social media.

conversation between Martin and becomes Craig heated and Martin is seen wrestling Craig and one of her daughters to the ground. He presses a stun gun into Craig's back pointing before it at her 15-yearold daughter, who later appears to be kicked into the po-

Craig and her daughters were ar-

lice car.

In the video, the rested on multiple charges, including disorderly duct and resisting arrest. All charglater were dropped. An internal police investigation determined Martin used excessive force and violated department policy by being discourteous to the public and displaying conduct prejudicial to good

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AP Exclusive: Moonlighting police leave body cameras behind



In this May 13, 2017 photo, San Francisco Police officers Joe Juarez, left, and Chris Simpson wear body cameras while patrolling outside of AT&T Park before a baseball game between the San Francisco Giants and the Cincinnati Reds in San Francisco. San Francisco is one of five departments among those in the 20 biggest U.S. cities with rules requiring the cameras for uniformed officers working outside their regular hours.

By JOHN SEEWER

Associated Press

When police officers in America's cities put on their uniforms and grab their weapons before moonlighting in security jobs at nightclubs, hospitals, and ballparks, there's one piece of equipment they often leave behind — their body camera.

That's because most police agencies that make the cameras mandatory for patrol shifts don't require or won't allow body cameras for offduty officers even if they're working in uniform, leaving a hole in policies designed to increase oversight and restore confidence in law enforcement.

Police departments contend that they have only a limited number of body cameras or that there are too many logistical hurdles and costs involved. But that argument doesn't sit well with those who say it shouldn't matter whether an officer is on patrol or moonlighting at a shopping mall. "As long as they have real

bullets, they need to have the body cameras," said John Barnett, a civil rights leader in Charlotte, North Carolina, where shootings involving police have put use of the cameras under scrutiny. An Associated Press sur-

vey of the 20 biggest U.S. cities found that nearly all have officers wearing or testing body cameras, but that only five — Houston; San Antonio; San Francisco; Fort Worth, Texas; and San Jose, California — have rules requiring them for uniformed officers working outside their regular hours.

The departments that have body cameras or are testing them, but do not require moonlighting officers to wear them, are New York City; Los Angeles, Chicago; Philadelphia; Phoenix; San Diego;

confidence in law enforcement. Dallas; Columbus, Ohio; and Charlotte. Denver also has them and is planning to add cameras for off-duty work.

"There shouldn't be a distinction," said Lt. Elle Washburn, who oversees San Jose's body camera program. "You're still in uniform, still have powers of arrest."

Just about every police agency makes it clear that officers working in uniform still represent the department and are subject to police rules even when they're off duty and paid by someone else. Trouble can happen anywhere and anytime, and when it does, there's little difference between an on-duty and off-duty officer.

Within the past three years, there have been shootings — some fatal — involving moonlighting officers in Missouri, North Carolina, Texas, Arkansas, Ohio and Indiana, but the overall number isn't known because departments don't keep those statistics.

In this Wednesday, May 24, 2017, photo, a Cobb County police

officer wears a body camera as he works an off-duty security

detail at at an Atlanta Braves baseball game in Atlanta. Most

police agencies don't require or won't allow body cameras for

off-duty officers working in uniform. Experts said that leaves

a big hole in policies designed to increase oversight and restore

In Louisiana, a moonlighting officer who wasn't wearing a body camera was sentenced in March to 40 years in prison for manslaughter in the fatal shooting of a 6-yearold boy following a car chase. A key piece of evidence

came from an on-duty officer's body camera showing the boy's father had his hands raised and sticking out his window as the moonlighting officer and a former officer both working as deputy city marshals collectively fired 18 shots. Once the shooting stopped, the footage showed blood on the door and an officer's realization the boy was in the passenger's seat.

Minneapolis and Atlanta are among the cities requiring the cameras for off-duty work, and some others are moving that way, including Cincinnati, which is spending about \$1.2 million on 350 cameras and equipment so all

officers will have one and be able to use them on secondary jobs — it's now optional.

Moonlighting officers with out the cameras to back them up can be more vulnerable to false allegations, said Cincinnati police Capt. Doug Wiesman. And it might be tough to explain why an off-duty officer who used deadly force

didn't have a camera, he said. "It's a mistake not to have them," Wiesman said. "Your officers are wearing that uniform. Who cares who's paying them?"

But most places turn off the cameras when it comes to the millions of hours officers put in work for private employers — a widespread practice but not one tracked in detail

New York City's new guide lines covering body cameras specifically say they can't be used in any off-duty activities, including paid details

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Newtown families upset by interview with conspiracy theorist

By PAT EATON-ROBB cused her of being part of a

Associated Press

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) The families of some Sandy Hook shooting victims are angered by a TV network's interview with a conspiracy theorist who has claimed the massacre never happened.

Marquez-Greene, Nelba whose 6-year-old daughter, Ana Grace, was among the 26 people killed in the 2012 shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, said Monday that she fears the NBC interview with "Infowars" host Alex Jones will encourage other conspiracy theorists who have harassed her and achoax.

"Any time you give someone like Alex Jones a platform, their followers will double-down or increase their attack on grieving families," Marquez-Greene said. "You can't just put him in a box and say he's just a character. He's really hurting people."

The interview by Megyn Kelly is scheduled to air Sunday. On Twitter, Kelly responded to criticism by noting that President Donald Trump has praised Jones' show and by saying it was her job to "shine a

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Hundreds reflect on anniversary of Pulse nightclub shooting

and TERRANCE **HARRIS**

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — At 2:02 a.m. Monday, the names of 49 people killed in the worst mass shooting in modern U.S. history were read out loud outside the Pulse nightclub, marking the exact time a year ago when a gunman started firing during "Latin Night" at the gay club.

"I realize that gathering here in this place, at this hour, is beyond difficult," Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer told survivors, victims' families, club

> employees and local officials during the private service. "But I also know that the strength

you've shown over the past year will carry you through today and in the future."

The service began what would be almost 24 hours of observations to remember the victims and the dozens of Pulse patrons who were wounded when Omar Mateen opened fire and pledged allegiance to the Islamic State. He was eventually killed by police after a three-hour standoff on June 12, 2016.

Later Monday morning, hundreds of people dropped off flowers, drawings and cards at a memorial near Pulse. Another midday service was held, followed by an evening gathering in the heart of downtown Orlando and a final, music-filled latenight service at the nightclub. "It still hurts, it's still very

raw," said Erin Anderson, a friend and former co-worker of Pulse victim Xavier Serrano Rosado.

Jeannine Williams used to live within walking distance of Pulse and was a frequent visitor. She had made plans to be there the night of the shooting but decided to go another

night club. "A year later I think the thing that is most important is this community and why I live here and why I'm so happy to live here," Williams said through tears. "The support we not only have from our city government, it's not fleeting support, it's not support on certain days. It's the way the community is. This is Orlando. This is why I just love living here."

At noon, church bells throughout the Orlando area were set to ring 49 times. Gov. Rick Scott ordered U.S. flags around Florida to be flown at half-staff and a giant rainbow flag would be unveiled at the Orange County government building.

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order.

Martin, who returned to work after serving his punishment, rejected a reduced seven-day suspension to pursue his right to appeal. "Just as anyone who has an accu-

sation leveled against them, Officer Martin is due his opportunity in court," said Charley Wilkison, executive director of the state's largest police officers' union, the Combined Law Enforcement Association of Texas. "That's what this hearing is about, his opportunity to clear his name and

continue on with his profession." Craig's attorney has called for Mar-

tin to be fired and charged with a

crime.

Weeks after the incident, Martin's body camera footage and personal file were leaked to the media, and the resulting internal police investigation left two high-ranking police officials demoted.

Both officials, Abdul Pridgen and Vance Keyes, have denied involvement. Keyes has filed a formal appeal with the Civil Service Commission, while Pridgen has asked for a 60-day delay before continuing the appeal process with the commission, Schomp said.

Once the hearing is complete, attorneys may exchange written briefs for up to four weeks before submitting them to the hearing examiner. A decision on the appeal will follow within 30 days of the briefs' submission.





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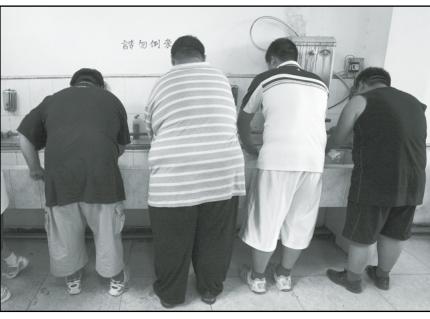




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Obesity rising in nations rich and poor, especially in kids



In this Thursday, July 24, 2008 file photo, obese patients wash their plates after lunch at the Aimin Fat Reduction Hospital in Tianjin, China.

By MIKE STOBBE

AP Medical Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The global obesity problem now affects 1 in 10 people in the world, it is rising in countries rich and poor, and in many countries it is increasing faster in children than adults, according to a new study.

The researchers estimated more than 107 million children and 603 million adults are obese.

The research found obesity has tripled in children and young adults in countries like China, Brazil and Indonesia. Those numbers are particularly troubling because it means more young people are on track to become obese adults and develop problems like diabetes, heart disease and a range of cancers, some experts said.

The study was led by a team at the University of Washington in Seattle. It was published online Monday by the New England Journal of Medicine and presented at a food science and policy meeting in Stockholm.

Researchers reported on 195 countries, although data was incomplete or nonexistent for

They made assumptions and used mathematical modeling to

Despite the limitations, "this is the best picture that's out there for global obesity," said Edward Gregg, a diabetes expert at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. He wrote an editorial that accompanied the

Some of the findings:

—Obesity rates doubled in 73 countries between 1980 and 2015. Countries where obesity did not increase significantly included Afghanistan, Bulgaria, and the Democratic Republic of the Con-

-Worldwide, about 5 percent of children and 12 percent of adults were obese in 2015. In the U.S. about 17 percent of children and 38 percent of adults are obese, according to earlier CDC estimates.

-Among the 20 largest countries, the United States had the highest level of obesity among children and voung adults. Bangladesh had the lowest.

-Egypt had the highest rate of obese adults. Vietnam had the lowest.

-But the United States had the largest number of obese adults in 2015, with 79 million. China came in second with 57 million obese adults — even though China has more than four times as many people as the U.S.

-China had the largest number of obese children, with 15 million. India had 14 million.

-Globally, about 4 million deaths were attributed to being overweight or obese in 2014, from causes like heart disease and diabetes.

Some good news is that improvements in medications and other kinds of health-care seem to be helping people survive longer even if they have weight-related health problems.

Researchers did not find an increase in weight-related rates of death and disability, Gregg ob-

But with obesity levels rising. there is a pressing need for better nutrition and other efforts to prevent unhealthy weight gain, said one of the authors, said Dr. Ashkan Afshin, the study's lead

Unfortunately, "there is no single simple solution for the problem of overweight and obesity,"

Drowning fears up in US West as rivers surge with snowmelt

By SCOTT SMITH and HALLIE GOLDEN

Associated Press

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — Massive waterfalls in Yosemite National Park and rivers raging in mountains throughout the western United States are thundering with greater force than they have for years — and proving deadly as warm weather melts the deepest mountain snowpack in recent memory.

Record snowfall on towering Western peaks this winter virtually eliminated California's five-year drought and it is now melting rapidly.

But it has contributed to at least 14 river deaths and prompted officials to close sections of rivers popular with swimmers, rafters and fishing enthusiasts.

In Utah and Wyoming, some rivers gorged by heavy winter snowfall have overflown their banks and rivers in Utah are expected to remain dangerously swollen with icy mountain runoff for several more weeks.

The sheer beauty of the rivers is their draw — and represents a big danger to people who decide to risk selfies near the water or beat the heat by swimming or rafting with little awareness of the risks posed by the raging water.

This year's velocity and force of the Merced River that runs through Yosemite Valley is similar to a runaway freight train, said Moose Mutlow of the Yosemite Swift Water Rescue

"You step out in front of it, it's going to take you," he said. "You're not going to stop that, and that's what people need to get their heads around."

Heavy storms this winter covered the central Sierra Nevada mountains with snow that remains at twice its normal level for this time of year.

While officials celebrated an end to drought in much of California, the snowmelt is so dangerous that park rangers fear its impact on the crowded park that drew a record five million people last year, when four people drowned.

So far this year, one

50-year-old man is believed to have drowned at Yosemite after falling into the Merced River from a winding trail. His body has not

One of Yosemite's deadliest days was in 2011, when three young church group visitors were swept to their deaths over the 317-foot (97-meter) Vernal Fall. Elsewhere in California,

there have been at least 11 drownings since the snowpack started melting in At the San Joaquin River

near Fresno, 18-year-old Neng Thao drowned last month swimming in the river during a picnic with his family days before he was set to graduate as the valedictorian of his high And six people have died

in the rugged Tule River south of Yosemite. Some drowned, but others suffered injuries suggesting their bodies were beaten to death by the river water slamming them against the riverbed.

"The force of that water pounds people into rocks and sends them over waterfalls," said Eric LaPrice, a U.S. Forest Service district ranger at the Giant Sequoia National Monument in central California. At the Kern River in cen-

tral California, officials last month updated a sign warning that that 280 people have died in it since 1968. The sign is already outdated, with four more drownings since then.

And in northern Utah, a 4-year-old girl playing at the side of the Provo River fell from a boulder into the water last month. Her mother and a man who was nearby jumped in to try to save the girl. All three drowned, illustrating how quickly one tragedy can multiply.

"As little as six inches of water can actually sweep an adult away at the rate of speed that the water is traveling," said Chris Crowley, emergency manager for the county where Park City is located. In Reno, Nevada, rising

temperatures that have ac-

celerated snowpack melting prompted officials to erect a sign next to the Truckee River warning people to stay away from it. In Idaho, snowpack at double normal levels have prompted warnings from officials that densely popu-

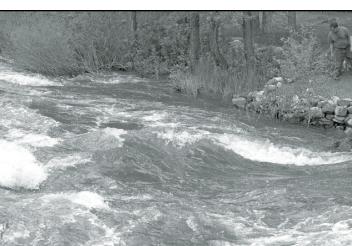
lated areas near the Boise River could flood. And in Wyoming, officials have placed sandbags and flood barriers to protect homes and public infrastructure from rivers

the snowmelt. On his first trip to Yosemite, cartoonist Andy Runton, 42, steered clear of the turbulent Merced River.

and streams swollen with

He took a selfie at a safe distance from a grassy meadow with Yosemite Falls far behind him. Within a few hours of entering the park, Runton said the sweeping vistas and raging waterfalls had left a lifelong impression.

"You can see the power of the water," Runton said. "You can feel it. Nature doesn't slow down.'



This Wednesday, May 31, 2017, file photo, Ron Lenfield watches the fast-flowing Weber River along his property, in Oakley, Utah. Rivers in Utah are expected to remain dangerously swol-

len with icy mountain runoff for several more weeks.

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light."

An NBC representative had no immediate comment.

The interview comes in the wake of a guilty plea last week of a Florida woman who threatened a father of one Sandy Hook victim. Lucy Richards, who had cited the hoax theory in her threats, was sentenced to five months in prison.

A year ago, a New York City man was sentenced to probation after approaching a sister of slain Sandy Hook teacher Victoria Soto during a charity road race and angrily claiming the shootings never took place.

Soto's family says Matthew

Mills was a follower of Alex Jones. They expressed their anger with NBC and Kelly in a Facebook post.

"Alex and his followers have done nothing but make our lives a living hell for the last 4 1/2 years," they said.

"This incessant need for ratings at the cost of the emotional wellbeing of our family is disgusting and disappointing. You should be ashamed of yourselves for allowing this behavior."

The harassment of Marquez-Greene has included a woman asking her on social media if she had actually sold her daughter to a child-trafficking ring. Another man asked to see pictures of Ana

Grace's dead body as proof the shooting

actually happened.

Marquez-Greene said Kelly should at least give Sandy Hook families equal time on her show and promote some of the charity work they've been doing to remember the lives of their loved

She said the media also need to learn to honor the families' grief.

"There are two things people need to grieve in a healthy way, and that's a sense of safety and a sense of control," said Marquez-Greene, who is a licensed family therapist. "Having this buffoon on her show really interferes with both of those."



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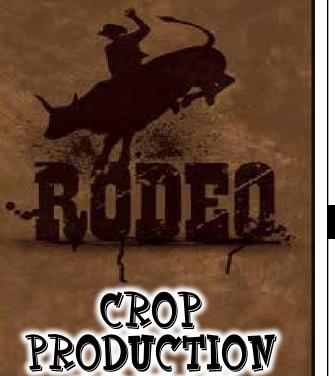
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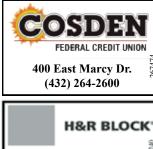


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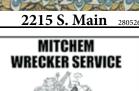
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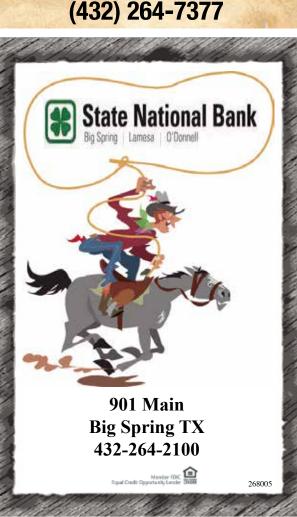
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Kevin Durant, Stephen Curry lead Golden State Warriors to NBA title

ByJANIE McCAULEY

AP Sports Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. -As a fresh NBA champions cap sat a tad off-kilter on his head. Kevin Durant embraced mother Wanda. Then he moved across the podium and hugged Stephen Curry before accepting his shiny MVP trophy, holding out his arms and hoisting it for everyone to see.

From the Bay all the wav to OKC.

Durant capped his spectacular first season with the Warriors by bringing home that coveted NBA championship he joined Golden State last July so determined to get, scoring 39 points in a fast-and-furious, Finals-clinching 120 victory over LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers in Game 5 on Monday night.

"You can talk about whatever you want to

talk about, but nobody comes in and cares about the game or loves the game as much as I do or works as hard as do I at the basketball game. You can talk about whatever happens on the outside, but inside those lines, I come to bring it every day," Durant said. "I work hard, I believe in myself, I believe in the game, I respect the game, I love the game, and I knew at some point in my life that it will come around for me."

Stephen Curry added 34 points, 10 assists and six rebounds as Golden State closed out its second title in three years after squandering a 3-1 lead a year ago. That stung ever since, and even Durant understood, because he gave Warriors a round earli

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up the same lead to the Golden State Warriors forward Kevin Durant gestures as he holds the Bill Russell NBA Finals Most Valuable Player Award after Game 5 of basketball's NBA Finals between the Warriors and the Cleveland Cavaliers in Oakland, Calif., Monday, June 12, 2017. The Warriors won 129-120 to win the NBA championship.

Darvish, Mazara lead Rangers over Astros 6-1

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Yu Darvish was determined to pitch better Monday night after struggling in his last outing against the Houston Astros.

The right-hander was able to do that, pitching seven solid innings to help the Texas Rangers beat their in-state rival

Darvish (6-4) allowed a season-low one hit with one run and three walks. He induced a seasonbest 12 groundball outs. This start came after he tied a season-worst by allowing seven hits with three runs in just five innings in a 7-1 loss to Houston on June 2.

"It was a great night for Yu," Texas manager Jeff Banister said. "His sinker played very well to both sides of the plate. He was able to run the four-seam up and down to left-handers. Curveball showed up big for him early; didn't break out the slider until the sixth, which allowed him to get some late outs."

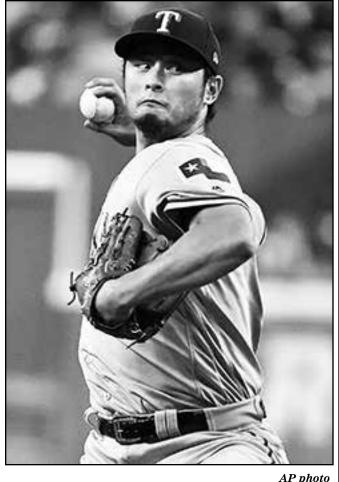
Darvish said his sinker was the key to his success Monday.

"I usually stay with my strength and I go with my stuff, what I've got on the day," he said through a translator. 'But (after) that previous outing ... I just studied hard on each hitter and what their tendencies are and I went at it today."

The Rangers went up 2-0 on back-to-back triples by Rougned Odor and Joey Gallo in the third inning.

The Astros got an RBI single by Alex Bregman in the fifth, but a runscoring double by Adrian Beltre gave the Rangers some insurance in the sixth inning.

Nomar Mazara provided more cushion with his three-run shot to straightaway center field off Dayan Diaz with two outs in the eighth to



Texas Rangers starting pitcher Yu Darvish delivers during the first inning of a baseball game against the Houston Astros, Monday, June 12, 2017, in Houston.

make it 6-1.

Musgrove (4-5) allowed five hits and two runs in 4 2/3 innings in his return from the disabled list. Musgrove had been out since May 26 with shoulder discomfort.

"He was good," manager A.J. Hinch said. "We were very cautious with his pitch count, obviously. Seventy five was as high as we wanted to go, so I went out to get him."

Jonathan Lucroy singled with two outs in the second inning and scored on the triple by Odor to put Texas up 1-0. Gallo followed with his triple to score Odor, but was tagged out at home to end the inning.

Right fielder Josh Reddick crashed into the wall trying to make a catch on the ball hit by Gallo and was taken out of the game to start the fourth inning. He was diagnosed with a mild

concussion. Darvish kept the As-

off-balance tros Houston starter Joe night. He retired the first seven before walking Bregman with one out in the third. Nori Aoki grounded into a force out that left Bregman out at second before Darvish retired George Springer to end that inning.

Carlos Beltran drew a walk to start the fifth, before the RBI single by Bregman which cut the lead to 2-1 with two outs in the inning. Bregman's hit sailed into shallow left field, and Mazara charged in but was unable to make the catch.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: CF Carlos Gomez (right hamstring) is nearing a rehab assignment and will likely play three games in the minors before he returns to the

Astros: RHP Lance McCullers was placed on the 10-day disabled

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Capsule look at top 10 picks in Major League Baseball draft



Jordon Adell, right, an outfielder and pitcher from Ballard High School in Louisville, Ky., shakes hands with commissioner Rob Manfred after being selected No. 10 by the Los Angeles Angels in the first round of the Major League Baseball draft, Monday, June 12, 2017, in Secaucus, N.J.

By DENNIS WASZAK JR.

AP Sports Writer

SECAUCUS, N.J. — A capsule look at the top 10 picks in the Major League Baseball draft (with position, school, height, weight — as listed by Major League Baseball — and college

1. MINNESOTA TWINS

ROYCE LEWIS, SS, JSerra Catholic H.S. (California), 6-1, 185.

Outstanding athlete who hit .377 with four HRs and 25 stolen bases as senior. Has excellent speed and range that could suit him as either shortstop or center fielder at next level but Twins selected him as shortstop. Was standout on USA Baseball's gold medal-winning Under-18 team at Pan American Championships last year. Selected as National High School Coaches Association's high school senior baseball athlete of year.

2. CINCINNATI REDS

HUNTER GREENE, RHP, Notre Dame H.S. (California), 6-3, 195.

Teams scouted him both on mound and as shortstop. Upper-90s (mph) fastball that can hit triple digits suggests pro future is as pitcher with electric stuff and excellent command. Sports Illustrated cover boy was 3-0 with 0.75 ERA and 43 Ks and only four BBs in 28 IP as senior. While his fastball overpowers hitters and makes scouts' eyes pop, Greene also throws solid slider and changeup. Hit .324 with six HRs and 28 RBIs at plate, and skills in field make him intriguing talent. UCLA commit also attended MLB Youth Academy in California. Comes from same high school

that produced Giancarlo Stanton,

who went in second round to Marlins

in 2007.

3. SAN DIEGO PADRES

MACKENZIE GORE, LHP, Whiteville H.S. (North Carolina), 6-2, 180.

Gatorade National Player of Year was mentioned in mix to go No. 1 overall. Fastball kicked up a few mph as senior and sits in low- to mid-90s to go along with knee-buckling curve, but also has hard slider and solid changeup in arsenal. Has big leg kick

and lots of flexibility on mound. 4. TAMPA BAY RAYS

BRENDAN MCKAY, 1B, Louisville, 6-2, 205, junior.

One of college baseball's best twoway players has been force on mound and at plate for three seasons with Cardinals. Some teams saw him as top-10 eligible pitcher in pros, while others projected him as middle-oflineup hitter — as Rays do. ACC player of year is hitting .343 with 17 HRs and 56 RBIs for College World Seriesbound Cardinals. Also 10-3 with 2.34 ERA and 140 Ks and 33 BBs in 104 IP with low- to mid-90s fastball and consistently solid curve. Has won John Olerud Two-Way Player award three straight years. Also finalist for Dick Howser Trophy.

5. ATLANTA BRAVES

KYLE WRIGHT, RHP, Vanderbilt, 6-4, 220, junior.

Became 10th Vanderbilt pitcher taken in first round — including compensatory picks — since 2007, joining likes of David Price, Carson Fulmer and Sonny Gray. Numbers weren't jaw-dropping: went 5-6 with 3.40 ERA, 121 Ks, 31 BBs in 103 1/3 IP, but rebounded nicely from rough start that

left ERA at 5.59 on April 1. Mid-90s

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E/O JEROLD SPIVEY

Notice to hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Jerold Pat Spivey, Deceased, were issued on May 17, 2017, in Cause No. P-14644, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: DIANA SPIVEY BAILEY.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: DIANA SPIVEY BAILEY 1910 Runnels Big Spring, Texas 79720

DATED the 9th day of June, 2017.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). What someone said to you long ago is still part of your inner scenery, like words drifting on a lake of thought. Go on and ignore them a while longer. Someday they will wash up on the far shore and never get in your way again.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Comfortable people are more honest and generous than defensive people. Your kindness, astute attention and warmth will make people comfortable around you. You've much to gain.

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Sept. 22). You don't make the weather outside, but you can go where it's usually sunny this time of year. Similarly, you don't make the weather inside, but you can escape to tropical vacation spots of imagination at will, so what's stopping you?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You shouldn't have to pay to have your senses enlivened: It's a point of reference, a state of mind, and it's free. You'll go where the scents rhyme and the colors beat out a rhythm your eyes can't help but dance

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your ambition will have you setting lofty goals you're not likely to hit. However, you'll get much further than if you hadn't aimed so high. The key will be to interpret all success as significant and to maintain a joyful tone.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). When you fall for someone, the ride down comes with a rush and a hope that you'll be caught or land on something soft. When you believed you've been

tripped -- well, that's a far less enjoyable trajectory.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A strong sense of style isn't really a matter of good taste or bad taste; rather, it's a specific set of mindful choices and intentions repeated in an identifiable pattern.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When you first made your decision, you weren't sure. Now you're starting to love this choice. The best part about it is, the more you love it, the less you need other people to love it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If you had to point it back to a single event that tweaked the relationship, you'd be stumped. It was probably something minor, and it wasn't your fault, either, but that doesn't matter now. What matters is fixing it.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (June 13). You'll invest your heart in projects and be intensely fulfilled this year. Set out with faith that the path before you will be cleared. The next three weeks you'll brainstorm and

keep clarifying your vision. Return often to your creative influences. August through October bring toil and sweat then a big cashin. Libra and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 40, 4. 49 and 17.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "What is a trine in astrology?" When two planets

are 120 mathematical degrees apart from each other (one-third of a circle), they're said to be trined. The trine is a beneficial aspect that brings stability to a situation. Like the Great Pyramid in Egypt, that triangle shape is strong enough to withstand eons of wear and tear. Trined planets may be so secure and comfortable in each other's presence, in fact, that the situation at hand may take on a life of its own. Today Mercury and Jupiter form a trine, and many will find themselves on the receiving end of kudos -- great for those who want and can handle the attention. Forward momentum is nearly impossible to stop once set in motion, and the trine definitely

greases the wheels of inertia unless you deliberately apply the brakes. Too much of a good thing can get out of control. Think of the trine like this: You're holding a beautiful cup, and someone's pouring you a refreshing beverage. You have to know when to say when, or that cup is going to overflow and ruin your grandmother's heirloom tablecloth. Don't get greedy.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: A poster child for versatility, Tim Allen has played everything from an intergalactic super hero to Santa Claus, with a few family men along the way. The one constant is that this Gemini, with his natal Mars and Jupiter in Gemini, is always charming. Allen's star continues to rise to infinity and beyond. Look for Allen in the upcoming thriller "El Camino Christmas."

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Annie's Mailbox ®

Caregiving Strain

Dear Annie: I am an only child. I have always been very close to my mother. When my husband and I married, we got a house a few doors down from my parents' house. We would visit often after my three children came along. We have unforgettable memories from those years. When we moved to the suburbs, my parents visited

every weekend. My father played golf nearby, so he would drop off Mom early in the morning and then join

As the children grew and moved out of the house, my parents aged but kept coming to the house every weekend. By then, my husband and I were looking forward to spending some time just the two of us. I tried discussing it with my mother, but it was very difficult, as they had never built a life



By Steve Becker

Crime and punishment

East dealer. North-South vulnerable. ♦ A K J ♥10765432 **♥**J9 ♦ Q 5 2 • K Q 10 9 8 5 2 SOUTH The bidding:

South West East North Opening lead five of hearts. The man on the couch was very agitated and distraught.
"Doc, you've simply got to help

me," he said. "I don't understand why these things always happen to me. The man showed the psychiatrist

the hand diagram. "Look at this," he cried, frantically wringing his hands. 'I end up in six spades after East opens three clubs, and West leads a heart. I win, cash the ace of trumps, and then, since I have two club losers, I try a diamond finesse. East wins with the queen and returns the king of clubs. Later on I lose a club trick and

her later in the day.

"When it's all over, my partner starts hollering at me and says that since East's pre-empt marked him with all the missing clubs, I could have made the slam by eashing my second heart, crossing to dummy with a spade and leading a low club toward my jack. East wins with the

contract.

"Not only that, but both opponents now chime in, saying that after stripping the hearts and spades I also can play the A-K-J of diamonds, ruffing East's queen. Then a spade to dummy and a low club return again cooks East's goose

a club, either of which hands me the

The man looked up. "It's always so obvious after it's over," he said sadly. "Anything you can do to help me, Doc?"
"I must confess I've never seen a

hand so badly mangled," said the psychiatrist, "but the solution is really quite simple. You must train yourself to review all the pertinent facts and then formulate a plan before starting to play. Never act impulsively. Careful reasoning and cautious selfrestraint are the bywords. "Gee, thanks, Doc, maybe that'll

do it. You don't know how much these mistakes have been costing

me," said the man.
"Wait till you see my bill," replied

Tomorrow: More about probabilities. ○2017 King Features Syndicate Inc.

of their own; they had no one but us. I tried spacing out their visits more and more, but it was really hard. Soon after, my

father fell sick with Alzheimer's disease. As my mother's own nealth started failing, she couldn't do much and depended on me for making every decision.

My father has passed away, and my mother is now 90 years old. She lives in a retirement community and is still autonomous enough to live on her own with supervision. I have a social worker designated for her, but according to the worker, my mom is not at the point of needing

to be put in a home. I have hired a cleaning company for her apartment, but I do all her errands, as she can hardly walk.

I now have lots of opportunity to travel with my husband, but I can't, because every time I go away, my mother gets sick and ends up in the hospital. She has had many minor strokes caused by anxiety. Her doctor, who is well aware of the situation, closely monitors her. I now leave for only a few days at a time and have calls to my home phone forwarded to my cellphone so she is not aware I am gone and not at home.

I am also getting old and tired and

would like to enjoy the few healthy years I have left but don't know how. As much as I love her, I am beginning to resent her and feel the burden weigh on my shoulders. What can I do? -- Tired Loving Daugh-

Dear Tired: If caretakers don't have enough room to breathe, the light they shine on others will be snuffed out. The best thing for you and your relationship with your mom is to give yourself more space. Invest time in selfcare; take those trips with your husband. If you don't, resentment will embitter you. Visit the Family Caregiver Alliance website, at

https://www.caregiver. org, for information on resources and support groups.

You have already done so much. Though your mother may not be in a place to verbally express it, vou are a steadfast friend and compassionate daughter.

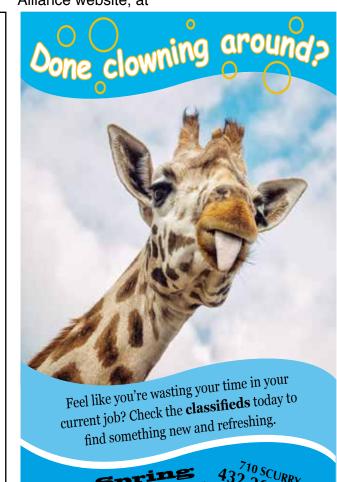
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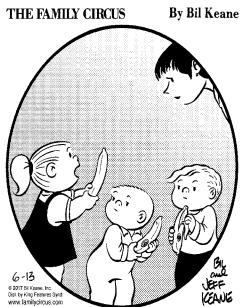
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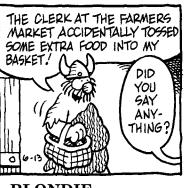
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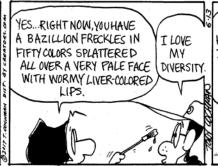


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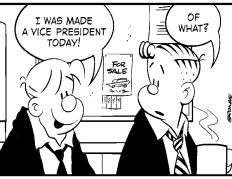
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, June 13, the 164th day of 2017. There are 201 days left in the year. Today's Highlights

History:

On June 13, 1942, a four-man Nazi sabotage team arrived on Long Island, New York, during World War II, three days before a second four-man team landed in Florida. (All eight were arrested after two members of the first group decided to defect and cooperate with U.S. authorities; they were ultimately spared while the other six were executed.) President Franklin D. Roosevelt created the Office of Strategic Services, a wartime intelligence agency, and the Office of War Information, headed by radio news commentator Elmer Davis.

On this date:

In 1842, Queen Victoria became the first British monarch to ride on a train, traveling from Slough Railway Station to Paddington in 25

In 1886, King Ludwig II of Bavaria drowned in Lake Starnberg.

In 1917, during World War I, a group of German Gotha bombers attacked London, killing 162 people. The Phillips Petroleum Co. was incorporated in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. (Phillips merged with Conoco in 2002.) In 1927, aviation hero Charles

Lindbergh was honored with a ticker-tape parade in New York City.

In 1935, James Braddock claimed the title of world heavyweight boxing champion from Max Baer in a 15-round fight in Queens, New York. "Becky Sharp," the first movie photographed in "three-strip" Technicolor, opened in New York. In 1957, the Mayflower II, a replica of the ship that brought

Massachusetts, after a nearly two-month journey from England. In 1966, the Supreme Court ruled in Miranda v. Arizona that criminal suspects had to be informed of their constitu-

the Pilgrims to America in

1620, arrived at Plymouth,

attorney and to remain silent. In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson nominated Solicitor-General Thurgood Marshall to become the first black justice

tional right to consult with an

In 1977, James Earl Ray, the convicted assassin of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., was recaptured following his escape three days earlier from a Tennessee pris-

on the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 1981, a scare occurred dur-

ing a parade in London when a teenager fired six blank shots at Queen Elizabeth II.

In 1992, Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton stirred controversy during an appearance before the Rainbow Coalition by criticizing rap singer Sister Souljah for making remarks that he said were "filled with hatred" toward whites. In 1997, a jury voted unani-

mously to give Timothy McVeigh the death penalty for the Oklahoma City bombing that killed 168 people. The Chicago Bulls captured their fifth professional basketball championship in seven years with a 90-86 victory over the Utah Jazz in Game 6.

Ten years ago: In Beirut, Lebanon, a powerful car bombing killed Walid Eido, a prominent anti-Syrian legislator.

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Answer to previous puzzle

Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Ship's poles 6 Clickable
- computer symbol
- 10 What a key fits into
- _ once (suddenly)
- 15 Not any
- 16 Lendl of tennis 17 Ringo of the
- **Beatles**
- 18 Facts and figures
- **19** Showroom
- model 20 Group being
- played against 23 Just published
- 24 Chapter of
- history 25 Southern
- Arizona city 27 Source for fries
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- purpose for
- 34 Aroma 36 Mythology with
- 40 Group being played against

Odin and Thor

- 43 Western Florida
- city 44 Three Bears
- female 45 Soldier's "Stop!"
- 46 Had a sample of 48 French-style
- pancakes
- 50 Portable liquor holders
- 53 "Now I see!" 54 Under the
- weather 55 Group being
- _ in the woods
- (innocent one) 64 Voice inflection 65 "Sugar is sweet,

and __ you"

played against

- 67 Laundry appliance **68** Baby hooting
- bird 69 Sloping
- walkway 70 Circus structure
- 71 Spouses

DOWN

- 1 Fem.'s opposite 2 Female singing
- voice 3 Close noisily
- 4 Infield cover
- 5 Thoroughfare 6 New Delhi's land
- **7** Layer of paint 8 Aware of
- 9 Not far from 10 Jar topper

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- 11 Baking
- chambers

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 - group
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 - 32 Rigidly formal
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- agree?"
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fastball, sharp curve and physical size had many teams projecting him as future ace. Midseason mechanics adjustment made breaking pitch drop for strikes more consistently.

6. OAKLAND ATHLETICS AUSTIN BECK, OF, North Davidson H.S. (North Carolina), 6-1, 190. Hit. 590 with 12 HRs af-

ter rebounding this spring from torn anterior cruciate ligament and cartilage in left knee last May. Terrific speed with powerful arm could make him ideal right fielder

at pro level.

7. ARIZONA DIAMOND-**BACKS**

PAVIN SMITH, 1B, Virginia, 6-2, 210, junior.

First-Team All-ACC selection has excellent patience and eye at plate, hitting .342 with 13 HRs and team-leading 77 RBIs — and just 12 strikeouts in 228 at-bats this season for Cavaliers. Ranked fourth nationally in lowest strikeout rate. Solid contact hitter with power to all fields. His 178 career RBIs were second in school history, while his 28 HRs were tied for sixth. Good defensive skills at first base, where he'll likely stick at next level.

8. PHILADELPHIA PHIL-

LIES

ADAM HASELEY, OF, Virginia, 6-1, 195, junior.

Another two-way standout, Haseley was fifth player in Cavaliers history to earn All-America honors in at least two seasons. Hit teamleading .390 with 14 HRs and 56 RBIs, and ranks third in school history with 185 career runs scored. Also went 7-1 with 3.58 ERA in 11 starts this season for Virginia while being selected as finalist for John Olerud Two-Way Player Award, along with being semifinalist for Golden Spikes Award and Dick Howser Trophy. Can play all three outfield spots.

9. MILWAUKEE BREWERS

KESTON HIURA, 2B, UC Irvine, 5-11, 190, junior.

Elbow injury limited him to DH duties this year, but his bat made him surefire firstrounder despite questions about his position in pros. Big West player of year led Division I hitters with .442 batting average and .567 onbase percentage. Has short right-handed stroke with great bat speed. As sophomore, reached base in nationleading 52 straight games, including 19-game hitting streak. Played mostly at second base and center field in past seasons before elbow ailment.

10. LOS ANGELES AN-**GELS**

JORDON ADELL, OF, Ballard H.S. (Kentucky), 6-foot-3,

205 pounds. Hit .562 with 25 home runs, 61 RBIs, 53 runs scored, .667 on-base percentage and 1.437 slugging percentage in just 35 games as senior. Impressive follow-up to fantastic junior season in which he batted .449 with 11 HRs and 44 RBIs. Considered one of best all-around talents in draft. Also was 1-0 with 1.55 ERA and 56 strikeouts in 31 2/3 innings while throwing fastball that hit mid- to upper-90s, but Angels took him as powerhitting outfielder. Won home run derby at prestigious Area Code Games in California last summer.

FINALS

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-er with Oklahoma Citv.

James, who in 2012 with Miami beat the Thunder in Durant's only other Finals, wound up with 41 points, 13 rebounds and eight assists. "I left everything on the floor every

game," James said after averaging a triple-double in his eighth Finals. Kyrie Irving followed up his

40-point gem in Game 4 with 26 points but shot 9 for 22.

This time, King James gave way to KD, who was the NBA Finals MVP 10 years after being picked second in the NBA draft behind Greg Oden.

Durant drove left, right and down the middle, knocked down 3-pointers, dished and dunked. He hit a 17foot fadeaway over James early in the fourth quarter, then assisted on a 3-pointer by Andre Iguodala the next time down as the Warriors pulled

Iguodala, the 2015 Finals MVP, came up big again with his 2017 postseasonbest 20 points off the bench in a testy, tightly called finale to this trilogy Finals that everyone had stamped on the calendar from the moment Durant departed Oklahoma City to join Curry and Co. last July.

The Warriors won in 2015 before the Cavs made their historic comeback last year. Then it was Golden State's time again, with Durant as the prized

Sure, the Warriors missed becoming the first undefeated champion, but 16-1 still gave Golden State the best winning percentage of any title team at .941.

Durant shot 14 for 20 and Curry the two-time reigning MVP who took a backseat as the new big star got

acclimated — finished off a brilliant postseason. Not to mention a healthy one after his 2016 injuries.

Green stayed on the court in a game that featured three technicals on one play 3:08 before halftime. David West fought for the ball with Irving, then they got tangled up and Tristan Thompson entered the fray and he and West went at each other faceto-face. West, Thompson and J.R. Smith received techs after a replay review.

Green had sat out this very game a year ago, suspended because of flagrant foul point accumulation after he swiped at James' groin in Game 4. He had 10 points, 12 rebounds and five assists in the clincher.

"I had a letdown last year," Green said. "If KD was the consolation prize to lose, thanks for that loss, and we're champs this year."

With a much-improved bench led by Iguodala, JaVale McGee, Shaun Livingston and West, that "Strength In Numbers" slogan that has become such a staple the past two seasons shined all season long, from Durant's 19-game absence late in the regular season with a left knee injury to assistant coach Mike Brown stepping in for 11 postseason games to Kerr was ailing.

to take charge — just after it appeared Durant

should have been called for a third foul on a basket by James — and got to celebrate right at home in Oakland surrounded by a deafening home crowd waving yellow rally towels and holding up phones to shoot video and



Golden State Warriors forward Kevin lead the way while Steve Durant (35) shoots over Cleveland Cavaliers forward LeBron James (23) during the first Golden State used a half of Game 5 of basketball's NBA Finals 28-4 second-quarter run in Oakland, Calif., Monday, June 12, 2017.

photos as the final minute of the clock ticked away.

The Warriors became the first Bay Area team to capture a championship at home since the A's finished the Los Angeles Dodgers in Game 5 of the 1974 World Series.

RANGERS Continued from Page 8

lower back. The move leaves Houston with four starting pitchers on the DL as ace Dallas Keuchel and Charlie Morton are on the 10-day DL and Collin McHugh is on the 60-day DL. The Astros don't think the injury to McCullers is serious and expect him to return as soon as the 10 days are up. 2K AOKI

list retroactive to June 9 with discomfort in his

The Astros honored Aoki a day after he surpassed the 2,000-hit mark between the American and Japanese major leagues. The milestone earned him automatic entrance into Meikyukai — also known as The Golden Players Club — one of two Japanese baseball halls of fame.

Aoki was presented with a black cowboy hat and a shadow box commemorating his milestone in a pregame ceremony.

He has 1,284 hits in Japan and 717 in the majors. HOMER STREAK SNAPPED

The Astros failed to hit a home run on Monday to snap their franchise-record 19-game streak with at least one home run.

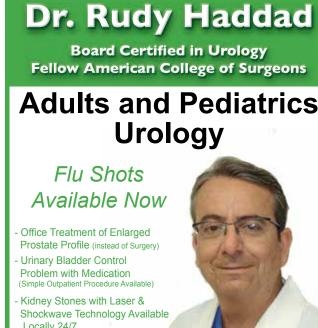
UP NEXT

Rangers: Texas will start Nick Martinez (1-3, 4.88) on Tuesday. Martinez allowed one hit in 3 1/3 scoreless innings of relief in his last outing.

Astros: Brad Peacock (3-1, 3.15) will start on Tuesday on three days' rest in place of McCullers. Peacock exited his last start after just three innings after allowing seven hits, four walks and four runs in a 9-4 loss to the Angels on Friday.







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