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City moves toward courthouse demolition

Council members approve request for qualifications for contractors

By Joseph Basco
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The city of Midland is seeking contractors who can provide oversight for the demolition of three downtown buildings that it owns, including the former Midland County Courthouse.

During the Sept. 9 City Council meeting, the council authorized a request for qualifications for contractors who can oversee an environmental assessment, asbestos removal and demolition of the city-owned Mid-America Building and the Midland Executive Center buildings on West Illinois Avenue.

The city added the courthouse property to its initial request for qualifications days after negotiations with Energy Related Properties — the developer of the defunct Energy Tower project — fell through. The 53-floor project was to be built at the courthouse property.

The city and ERP signed a purchase and sale agreement in March 2013, which put the courthouse property on hold until developers were ready to begin construction. ERP canceled the purchase and sale agreement 18 months later.

Now the city seeks courthouse asbestos removal and demolition cost estimates from an oversight company. With that knowledge, the city will then solicit companies to do the actual asbestos removal and demolition of the courthouse and the two Arrington buildings, Mayor Jerry Morales said.

"By just sitting on them and not knowing anything, it's not doing us any good," Morales said Sept. 9.

Morales listed several possibilities for the properties once the buildings are demolished. The city may request development proposals. Another option is for the city to do development of its own.

Morales was mindful of the vocal opposition to the courthouse demolition because of historical purposes, but noted that no one has come forward with a solid plan that uses the property as it stands.

Morales said if a developer proposes a project that does not require demolition, then it will be considered.

"I would want to make sure that whatever we put on the property can be utilized for all citizens and gives the best use for downtown," Morales said.

Pat McDaniel, director of the Haley Memorial Library and History Center, echoed Morales. He said there needs to be a concrete plan for the property that benefits the whole community.

"But it should not benefit a developer from somewhere else that doesn't necessarily have allegiance to West Texas," McDaniel said.

McDaniel has also softened his stance on the

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INK THE BASIN

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Crow Smith of Lucky Ducks Tattoo Shop in Midland works on a back tattoo for Jordan Spangler of Longview during the Yellow Rose Tattoo Expo on Saturday at Midland Center.

The Takeaway: Yellow Rose Tattoo Expo

By Rich Lopez
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Tattoos invaded downtown over the weekend as Midland Center hosted the inaugural Yellow Rose Tattoo Expo. The three-day event featured artists from around the country displaying their talents with the perpetual buzz of their needles cranking out works that ranged from simple touch-ups to pieces of art. By Sunday, organizer Trent Valleau was feeling satisfied with the turnout.

THE GRIMACE OF PAIN

As needles buzzed, people were often splayed out for their newly purchased tattoos.

But pain thresholds varied from one gentleman finishing work on his iPad to those who just couldn't take it — but had to. With palms to their heads, covering their eyes and baring teeth, pain was as common as a MOM tattoo.

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Lizard's fate falls in middle of oil boom

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — A petition seeking to protect a little-known lizard that makes its home in large portions of an area leading the way in the new Texas oil boom remains in limbo.

An environmental group has asked the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to list the spot-tailed earless lizard as an endangered or threatened species, the San Antonio Express-News reported.

The rare lizard's likely habitat includes large swaths of the Eagle Ford Shale formations, the prolific oil and gas field in South Texas.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 2011 said there was substantial information that listing the spot-tailed earless lizard as endangered or threatened might be warranted. It's the first step in what can be a yearslong process to list a species, but it doesn't mean the lizard will ultimately receive any listing.

Austin attorney Alan Glen, who specializes in environmental law, said attention on the plight of the lizard has been "something of a sleeping issue."

Much of the public's attention to potential endangered species in Texas has zeroed in on a bird — the lesser prairie chicken. In March, the federal government listed the bird as threatened.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has said the listing is justified by a steep decline in the bird's numbers in recent years. The five states affected — Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas — had fewer than 18,000 in 2013, down almost 50 percent from 2012.

The decision on the bird could affect agriculture, oil and gas drilling, wind farms and other activities in the five states.

Glen said people have not been as focused on the lizard, but added that it "would be as big a deal as the prairie chicken" if it gets similar protection.

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There's no free ride for drivers on the roads in Texas

CHRIS TOMLINSON
Houston Chronicle

Do you prefer to pay upfront, on delivery or on a payment plan?

Each method has proponents, and some people are happy to pay with their time sitting in traffic or through more frequent car and truck repairs. But one thing is certain, we are going to pay a price for the roads we build, and the ones we don't.

Covering economic development in Africa, I learned that roads literally deliver prosperity. Trucks supply almost everything we need for modern living, but in Texas making those deliveries is becoming more expensive.

"If it weren't for trucks, we'd all be hungry and naked," Brian Fielkow, president of trucking company Jetco Delivery, told me. "There is a production cost in terms of time waiting in traffic. Crowded roads are less safe than roads that are properly planned out for the population. Texas has had such explosive growth, our infrastructure has not kept up."

Fielkow's Houston-based company has 100 trucks and 145 employees. He's watched the roads become more congested, more damaged and more dangerous.

The Texas Transportation Institute at Texas A&M University estimates that Texans spend an extra 37 hours in traffic every year because our roads have not kept up with our population and economy. Congestion costs the Texas economy $10.8 billion a year, the institute reports.

More than a quarter of Texas transportation companies are based in Houston, and

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Mysterious water well unearthed in Stephenville

By Bill Hanna
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

STEPHENVILLE — Carroll McInroe has vivid memories of the 1950s drought and his father's desperate search for water.

"Dad had lost the cotton crop," McInroe told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "He had lost the peanut crop. If he lost the cattle, he lost the ranch. It was as simple as that."

As the drought intensified, McInroe remembered tagging along with his father to Lost Creek, the last place on the family farm north of Stephenville that still had water.

McInroe's father started digging near where a spring fed the creek in the hope of finding its source. When the tractor got stuck, they found the old well, McInroe said.

With the help of local teenagers, they dug into the creek bed and hit pay dirt, unearthing the hand-dug well — with tool marks along the side — that appeared to have been there for centuries.

It quickly filled with spring water and helped keep the farming and ranching operation afloat. McInroe's father named it "Green Hole" because of the spring-fed well's color.

"My dad got a big old hand pump, and we would nearly pump it dry every day," McInroe said. "It was very dependable. It saved us during that drought."

When the drought broke and the creek was running once again, the well disappeared. But McInroe never forgot. He would dig it up again after returning home from the Army in the early 1970s.

And even when it disappeared a second time, the old well stayed fresh in his mind.

"I've been thinking about that old well since I was 5 years old," McInroe said. "It was so impressive to me. I have never forgotten it."

With the ongoing drought tightening its grip on North Texas, McInroe decided to tap the well once again. He flew back to Texas late last month from his home in Spokane, Washington, and with the help of an excavator, the "Green Hole" was reborn.

By the following Sunday, it was filled with water — just like 60 years ago.

McInroe, however, is seeking more than another source of water for a rancher who leases the land.

He wants to find out the well's age.

"I'm just dying for it to be 6,000 years ago, and I admit that," McInroe said.

In the 5-acre pasture just above the creek are indications that people have been coming to this watering hole for ages.

McInroe has found old stone-carving tools and arrowheads, as well as stones that appeared to be used as fire pits. He has wondered whether a small village was once next to the creek.

But it will take time and money to answer those questions. The age won't be easy to determine because the most important piece of evidence was lost when the well was dug up in the 1950s.

"Since they excavated it out back in the 1950s, it's hard for me tell you precisely how old it is," said Charles Frederick, a geoarchaeologist and research fellow at the University of Texas at Austin. He explained that there is no sediment around the well to help determine its age.

"The thing we have to rely upon is where it is on the landscape," said Frederick, who was on hand when the well was excavated. "The fact that it is associated with the modern channel would suggest it is associated with the most recent regime of stream filling and movement.

"On most streams in Texas, that dates to the last 1,000 years to the last 1,500 years. Some of them are younger and go back only 600 years ago."

The well shows all the signs of being dug by hand with stone tools.

"This has all the hallmarks of a water well," Frederick said.

Obituaries

Elma Jean Bowers Deffenbaugh

Elma Jean Bowers Deffenbaugh, 90, of Midland, TX, was ushered into eternity to be with her Lord Jesus on October 4, 2014. Her steadfast faith in God's best enabled her to persevere in the last difficult years of aging. Words to describe this marvelous woman include quiet yet deep believer in Christ, perfect wife, tremendous mother and mother-in-law, creative and ultra fun grandma, devoted to friends, hilariously funny wit, avid stitcher, golf devotee, sports fan deluxe, fantastic cook, deeply loved others, and deeply loved BY others.

Jean was born to Charles Arthur Bowers and Elva Grace Squyres Bowers on December 30, 1923, in Exodus, Nebraska. She was raised in Lincoln, NE, graduating from Lincoln High and then from the Univ of Nebraska with a BS in Physical Education. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority there, and a lifelong Cornhusker fan. She worked at Kansas Univ and taught kindergarten and PE in elementary school. In 1947 she married high school sweetheart Jim Deffenbaugh after he returned from serving in WWII. After graduation from U of Neb, Jim worked for Conoco Oil for 30 yrs, Adobe Oil Corp in Midland until retirement in 1986. They had three sons: Charles, George, and Steve, and were married 59 yrs until his death in 2006.

Jean worked at Lee High School as a librarian until 1978 where she also volunteered as Rebelette sponsor. The Lee Rebels were a beloved mainstay throughout her life. She loved volunteering, serving at St. Luke's UMC, Midland Cerebral Palsy Center, Midland County Public Library, PEO Sisterhood (Philanthropic Educational Organization), and the Women's Auxilliary at Midland Memorial Hosp.

Besides volunteer work Jean was an avid golfer and lifetime member of Ranchland Hills Women's Golf Asso. She and Jim loved going on golf junkets with friends as well as traveling. Although she was reserved by nature, she loved being in the middle of the people and activities she cherished. She stitched exquisite pieces, including 20 stunning Christmas stockings for her family. And, oh, how she loved her family, especially grandkids and great grandkids.

After suffering a debilitating stroke 10 years ago, Jean's truest grit and character shone through as she surpassed the odds for survival and flourished in the midst of her greatest trials. With an indomitable spirit for living, Jean was always progressing forward. Her unbridled optimism kept her from giving up at absolutely anything she wanted to achieve. She was an inspiration and model of pressing on for her family and friends, and her constant goal was to have fun doing it!

Jean was predeceased by her parents, her husband Jim, their infant son Charles Lambert, brother and sister-in-law Jake and Jean Bowers, sister and brother-in-law Gretchen and Tad Tucker, brother-in-law Jack Deffenbaugh.

She is survived by son George Deffenbaugh and wife Pam of Abilene; son Steve Deffenbaugh and wife Tish of Midland; brother Bob Bowers and wife Gloria of Lincoln, NE; sister-in-law Arlene Deffenbaugh of Lincoln' NE; grandson Marc and Emily Deffenbaugh of Abilene and their children Hannah, Madyson and Jake; grandson Dave and Bridget Deffenbaugh of Houston and their children Allison and Alex; granddaughter Marcie Deffenbaugh of Houston;

After a private graveside burial, a memorial service will be held at 3 pm at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, with Rev. Kathryn Boren officiating.

Honorary pallbearers include grandchildren Marc, Dave, and Marcie Deffenbaugh, and great-grandchildren Hannah, Madyson, Allison, Jake, and Alex Deffenbaugh. Other honorary pallbearers include, the PEO Sisterhood of Midland; the Keystone Class of St. Luke's UMC; the Stitching Post girls

Memorials may be sent to Midland Cerebral Palsy Center; Midland County Public Library; P.E.O. Sisterhood Chap GD of Midland, (c/o Jan Genter, 3507 Meadowridge Ln, Midland, 79707); St. Luke's UMC (3011 Kansas St., Midland, 79701)

A very special thanks goes to the caregivers who played such a vital role in Jean's life, including Tonie Rodriguez, Janie Caldwell, Veronica Lopez, Maria Simpson, Chayo Valenzuela, Lacie Goodrum, Silhouette, Martha Ramirez, Stephanie, and Veronica Bordayo.

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Frances Lillian Mills Shuffield

Frances Lillian Mills Shuffield, of Midland, passed away on Friday, October 3, 2014 surrounded by her family. The family will receive friends on Monday, October 6, 2014 from 6:00 PM -8:00 PM at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at 10:00 AM at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Midland with Pastor Danny Anderson officiating.

Frances was born on November 12, 1926 at home on a farm in Pflugerville, TX to August and Helen Mills, the fourth child in the family, after her brother Conway, sister Mildred, and brother August, Jr. She attended Gregg Elementary School (where she graduated 3rd highest in the country from among all the 7th grade schools), and Manor and Pflugerville High Schools, completing her education in 11th grade at the age of 16.

After she finished school, Frances married Mark Pelham, and in 1951 they had their first child, Diana Marie, followed by Marcus Lee four years later, in 1955. While she was married to Mark, she had already begun to work--first in the transportation department at Ft. Clark where Mark was stationed, and next at the Travis County Draft Board. when the couple moved to Austin after Mark's discharge, where she eventually became head of the payroll section. After leaving work to have her children, she returned to work at the Travis County Tax Assessor-Collector's office, where she remained for 10 years, becoming assistant to the chief assessor.

In 1964, she and Mark divorced, and in May of 1966 she married present husband Joe Shuffield. Shortly after they married, the couple answered a call to work in the Midland City Tax Office Appraisal Section. The family moved to Midland, and in 1967 Frances gave birth to her third child, Joseph, Jr.

Frances continued to work, moving from the city to the county, where she became the Chief Deputy Tax Assessor. In 1980, she ran unopposed for the office of Midland County Tax Assessor-a position she held unopposed until she retired in 1992. In 1981, Governor Bill Clements appointed her to serve on the new Texas Board of Tax Professional Examiners, where she helped establish the standards and certification requirements for persons entering the taxing jurisdictions.

Although she had a long, distinguished career, Frances was always an adventurous spirit who loved to travel and to be surrounded by the beauty of Nature. She and Joe built a cabin in Cloudcroft, New Mexico, which became a retreat for the entire family, and the location for many family adventures. She also loved camping, and together she and Joe and her children made trips all over the United States; some of her personal favorites included the Grand Canyon, Glacier National Park, Niagara Falls, and Banff and Lake Louise in Canada. Her life was centered on her family, whom she loved very, very much. She and Joe shared their life and were very close to each other all their years together.

She is survived by her husband, Joe Shuffield of Midland; daughter, Diana and Rick Huntington of Cleburne, TX; son, Marcus and Debra Pelham of Midland; and son, Joseph Shuffield and Jason Gomez of Austin, TX. Her grandchildren, Russell and Christi Huntington, Joshua Pelham, and Jacob Pelham, and great-grandchildren Madeline, Alaina, and Tyler Huntington.

She is preceded in death by her parents August and Helen Mills, her brothers Conway Roland Mills and August Mills, Jr., and her sister Mildred Norma Mills.

Pallbearers will be Joshua Pelham, Jacob Pelham, Russell Huntington, Eddie Duvall, Honorable Dan Mills and Jack Mills. Honorary pallbearers will be Ted Schmidt, John Reese, Bob Hejl, and Wilburn Long.

The family would like donations to be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN, 38105 or to the Salvation Army at www.websa@salvationarmy.org.

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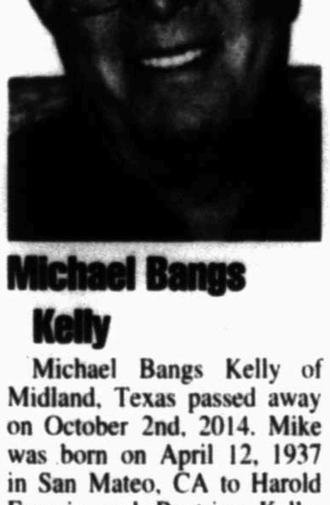

Michael Bangs Kelly

Michael Bangs Kelly of Midland, Texas passed away on October 2nd, 2014. Mike was born on April 12, 1937 in San Mateo, CA to Harold Francis and Beatrice Kelly. They moved to Midland in 1945 and Mike was a Midland resident the rest of his life.

He graduated in 1955 from Midland High School, and attended the University of Montana where he played football. He worked at Sanitary Plumbing, owned several self service car washes, and Kelly Softwater.

He was active in the Jaycees, was a member of St. Ann's parish since its inception. Mike was a good friend to anyone who knew him, and caring and neighborly to those who didn't. He enjoyed playing golf, watching football, and eating breakfast and lunch with his many friends.

He was preceded in death by the mother of his children, Sally Kelly Stella, and he leaves behind a brother and sister in law, Rick and Betti Kelly of Alpine Texas; three children, Robert Kelly of Dallas, Kathleen Hernandez and her husband William of Midland, and Kristine Kelly and her husband Whit of Fort Worth, as well as 7 wonderful grandchildren; Travis, Emilee, and Kelly Anne Hernandez; Whitney, Adelaide, Briggs, and Oliver Kelly.

There will be a rosary at Monday at 7pm in the St Ann's Catholic chapel, and a service Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at 10:00am at St Ann's Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to MARC, 2701 North A Street Midland, TX 79705 or a charity of your choice.

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Death Notices

Brookie Lee Green

Brookie Lee Green, 76, of Midland, died on Friday, October 3, 2014, in Midland.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday night at Ellis Funeral Home from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

Funeral Services will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 12 Noon at First Baptist Church in Midland.

Maria Lopez

Maria Lopez, 61, of Mexico passed away peacefully surrounded by her family Saturday September 27, 2014.

Services are under the direction of Heavenly Gate Funeral Home. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: heavenlygate@suddenlinkmail.com.

Rosa Puente

Rosa Puente, 71, went home to be with her lord Thursday, October 2, 2014. She was born September 6, 1943 in Irapuato Guanajuato.

Rosa is survived by her husband, Perfecto Puente; daughters, Maria, Blanca, and Sonia Puente; sons, Perfecto Jr. and Francisco Puente; brother, Reymundo Vargas and sisters, Maria Juese Partida and Maria Partida.

Funeral Mass will be held Monday, October 6, 2014 at 2:00 PM at St Stephens Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: *pipkin@nts-online.net.*

Stephen Ray Moore

Stephen Ray Moore, 64, of Midland passed away surrounded by his loved ones on Thursday, October 02, 2014. Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 10:00am at Fairview Cemetery.

Stephen was born on January 7, 1950 in O'Donnell, Texas to Edward and Hazel Moore.

Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Shirley Moore; daughter, Teresa Emerson; son, Stephen Moore, Jr.; sister, Terry Kimble; brother, Eddie Moore; and grandchildren, Rylan, Caden, and Macey.

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Paul Revere of Raiders rock band dies at 76

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Paul Revere, the organist and leader of the Raiders rock band, has died. He was 76.

Roger Hart, manager for Paul Revere and the Raiders, said he died Saturday at his home in Garden Valley, Idaho, from cancer. Revere was born in Harvard, Nebraska, Hart said.

Revere, born Paul Revere Dick, became known as "the madman of rock and roll" for his theatrical colonial wardrobe and infectious onstage persona with the band.

The group became popular in 1963 with its rendition of Richard Berry's "Louie, Louie" before releasing its own hits, such as "Kicks," "Hungry" and "Good Thing." The band's biggest smash came in 1971 with "Indian Reservation."

Paul Revere and the Raiders served as the house band for the Dick Clark TV show "Where the Action Is" and made an appearance as themselves in the "Batman" TV series.

Ebola in US: People scared but outbreak unlikely

By Connie Cass
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Ebola has arrived in the United States and people are frightened.

The nation's top infectious diseases expert said it's perfectly normal to feel anxious about a disease that kills so fast and is ravaging parts of West Africa.

"People who are scared, I say, we don't take lightly your fear. We respect it. We understand it," Dr. Anthony Fauci of the National Institutes of Health said Sunday.

But West Africa, because of the weaknesses in its health system, is not the United States, Fauci said, predicting "we won't have an outbreak." Scientists know how to stop the virus from spreading.

That's not to say the first Ebola case diagnosed within the United States — a traveler from Liberia who began feeling the effects after arriving in Dallas — will be the only one.

The government took measures this past week to ensure hospitals are ready.

Despite some initial missteps in Dallas, tried-and-true methods are underway: tracking everyone who came into contact with the infected man and isolating anyone who shows symptoms.

What to know about Ebola in America:

There's going to be a lot of talk

Expect to hear news reports in the coming days about people who are being cared for as potential Ebola cases. That doesn't mean they have the disease.

Doctors and hospitals are isolating individuals they believe could be at risk. That's based on a combination of their symptoms and recent travel from a country where Ebola is present.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has consulted with hospitals about more than 100 potentially suspicious cases in recent months. More than a dozen were worrisome enough to merit Ebola blood tests. Only the Dallas patient had Ebola.

How it spreads

Ebola doesn't spread easily like the flu, a cold or measles.

The virus isn't airborne. Instead, it's in a sick person's bodily fluids, such as blood, vomit, urine, semen or saliva. Another person can catch the disease by getting those germs into his own body, perhaps by wiping his eyes or through a cut in the skin.

Bodily fluids aren't contagious until the infected person begins to feel sick. The initial symptoms are easily confused with other illnesses, however: fever, headaches, flu-like body aches and abdominal pain. Vomiting, diarrhea and sometimes bleeding follow as the disease progresses, increasing the risk to others.

In West Africa, the disease has spread quickly to family members who tended the sick or handled their bodies after death, and infected doctors and nurses working under punishing conditions, without proper equipment. Bed sheets or clothing contaminated by bodily fluids also spread the disease.

Can you catch it on a bus or plane?

It's very unlikely.

To be on the safe side, the CDC defined "contact" with the disease as spending a prolonged period of time within 3 feet of someone ill with Ebola, a distance designed to protect health workers from projectile vomiting.

But health officials haven't seen real world cases of the virus spread by casual contact in public, such as sitting next to someone on a bus, said Dr. Tom Frieden, the CDC director.

"All of our experience with Ebola in Africa the last four decades indicates direct contact is how it spreads," he said, "and only direct contact with someone who is ill with Ebola."

Passengers who flew on the same plane as the Dallas patient, five days before he developed symptoms, are not considered at risk by the CDC. Nor are the schoolmates of children who came in contact with the infected Dallas man, but showed no symptoms of illness while in class.

As a precaution in case they become sick and therefore contagious, the children who were in contact with the infected man were pulled from school and are being monitored for symptoms.

Initially, about 100 people were assessed for potential exposure. Health officials said Friday that 50 were still being monitored, with 10 considered at the most risk during the disease's 21-day incubation period.

Four family members who shared their apartment with the patient are under quarantine.

Outside those circles, the odds of getting infected within the U.S. remain minuscule, health authorities said.

What health officials are doing

The CDC is overseeing multiple layers of response:

- The Ebola-hit African nations are checking people at airports for fever, and asking them about any contact with an infected person, before allowing them to board planes out of the country.
- Airlines are required by law to watch for sick travelers and to alert authorities before landing.
- The CDC is warning doctors and hospitals to remember the possibility of Ebola and rapidly isolate and test sick patients with a risk of exposure to the virus, primarily those who have traveled recently from the hot spots.

"We all want to get to zero risk to the U.S. We can only do that by making sure that we get it under control in Africa. And we're beginning to see the response ramping up there. But it's going to be a long, hard fight," Frieden said Sunday.

The U.S. and other countries have stepped up aid to West African nations struggling with the disease. But the outbreak is out of control.

"We have never seen an Ebola epidemic before in the world," Frieden said.

Can local hospitals handle this?

Before the Dallas case, four Americans diagnosed with Ebola in Africa returned to the U.S. enclosed in portable biohazard units, attended by health care workers protected by what looked like puffy space suits. The patients were treated in special isolation units.

The U.S. has only four of those isolation units; when people feel sick, they go to their nearest health care.

The CDC said any American hospital should be able to care for an Ebola patient.

Emergency room staff, potentially the first line, are used to safeguarding themselves from germs. They routinely treat patients with HIV, hepatitis and other infectious diseases.

The CDC said it's fine to put a suspected Ebola case into a regular private room with its own bathroom, and doctors and nurses need only wear certain gowns, masks and eye protection to be safe, not the elaborate biohazard suits.

Yet the system isn't perfect, as the Dallas case shows.

When the patient, Thomas Eric Duncan, first arrived at a Dallas hospital, he told a nurse that he had recently traveled from West Africa, yet the possibility of Ebola was overlooked and he was discharged into the community. He returned in worse shape, by ambulance, two days later and was diagnosed with the virus. He is in critical condition.

This Ebola outbreak is different, isn't it?

Yes. It's the worst Ebola outbreak in history, and still out of control in Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone.

Previous outbreaks in other parts of Africa have been halted more quickly.

Lack of experience with the disease in West Africa contributed to its spread this time. Other factors: a shortage of medical personnel and supplies, widespread poverty, and political instability in affected countries.

Also, the disease is crossing national borders and spreading in urban areas. Past outbreaks tended to be in relatively isolated spots.

It's hard for Americans to grasp how much more easily diseases can spread in some of the poorest places on earth versus in the U.S., said Ebola expert Thomas Geisbert of the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston.

In countries where inadequate health systems have been overwhelmed by the virus, people are dying in their homes, outside clinics that are too overfilled to take them, and sometimes in the streets. Health workers have been attacked by panicked residents.

Yet the measures that have stopped past outbreaks still work, with sufficient knowledge and resources.

Senegal appears to have stopped the disease at one case this year. Nigeria had eight deaths but brought its outbreak under control by tracking 894 people who had been in contact with a man who brought the virus from Liberia, and visiting 18,500 more people to check for symptoms, the CDC said.

U.S. officials are confident they can stay on top of any more cases that arrive.

This is the first case of Ebola recorded in the United States. But some of its relatives have been here — a case of Marburg virus, considered just as deadly, and four cases of Lassa fever in the past decade.

"There is some history of people coming back with these exotic, highly lethal diseases where it's been relatively well controlled," Geisbert said. "Hopefully that continues."

Ebola case gives Rick Perry real-time leadership test

By Will Weissert
Associated Press

AUSTIN — The first diagnosed case of Ebola in the United States, and the revelation that dozens of others in Texas are now being monitored, is a potential health crisis that gives Republican Gov. Rick Perry another real-time leadership test and a chance to look presidential — or ineffective — on a national stage.

The once and possibly future White House candidate has seized on similar opportunities before. He deployed 1,000 National Guard troops to the Texas-Mexico border this summer after assailing what he called the Obama administration's inaction amid a surge of unaccompanied immigrant children pouring into U.S. territory. Perry also helped lead emergency response efforts during a series of hurricanes that have hit Texas since he took office in December 2000, and he threw open Texas' doors to refugees in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

"There have been many times in his 14 years, given floods, wildfires, hurricanes and now with this health crisis, where he's had a chance to learn what works," said Robert Eckels, a former Harris County judge who worked with Perry to bring hundreds of thousands of Katrina evacuees to Texas in 2005. "No matter where he goes next, he will take that with him."

Perry has been trying to rehabilitate his political reputation since his 2011 "oops moment" during a nationally televised presidential debate. Wearing professorial spectacles, he's been studying with policy experts and traveling extensively, trying to show would-be Republican primary voters that he's wiser, humbler and more seasoned.

The governor nailed the part as a calming presence during a Wednesday news conference on the Ebola diagnosis in Dallas, saying, "Rest assured, our system is working as it should."

But the same event later got dicey, when Dallas hospital officials standing alongside Perry acknowledged that they had initially sent patient Thomas Eric Duncan home with antibiotics, even though he reported that he had recently been in Liberia.

It underscored how precarious this potential opportunity is for Perry. Just as the Ebola case could boost him nationally if things go right, it could make him look weak if the virus spreads. Indeed, Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul, a potential 2016 rival of Perry's, and other Republicans have already begun criticizing the federal government for downplaying the Ebola threat — and Perry has potentially opened himself to similar attacks.

In an appearance on Fox News, Perry said, "This isn't an outbreak, it's one case," and he praised the Centers for Disease Control for being a "very willing participant and partner in this."

"Right now Perry's saying and doing the right things," said Republican strategist Ford O'Connell. "If he is ultimately able to shepherd and neutralize this situation, it will certainly benefit his 2016 aspirations."

Perry spokeswoman Lucy Nashed said media appearances aside, the governor and his staff are working closely with federal, state and local health officials. Organizers said he postponed a scheduled political appearance Monday morning in Bedford, New Hampshire, because of "urgent state business" amid the Ebola case back home.

Perry's critics said his actions are more about ego than leadership.

"Our hope is he starts to do what is right, which is step aside and listen to local leaders," Will Hailer, executive director of the Texas Democratic Party, said of the Ebola case. "I don't know if a bunch of photo-ops and jumping in the middle of it is going to help."

During recent trips to Iowa and New Hampshire, where presidential primary season begins, Perry bragged about dispatching the National Guard to the border in August. That move has been cheered in national conservative circles, though some South Texas sheriffs and business leaders have worried about border "militarization."

After Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, Perry made national headlines by striking a more-welcoming tone, helping to bring refugees to Houston's Astrodome. State officials eventually found permanent housing for thousands who stayed in Texas, though internal emails later revealed that Perry's staff sought to limit how many evacuees streamed into the state while still attempting to protect the governor's image.

Officials locate possible patient contact

Associated Press

DALLAS — A homeless man being sought because of possible contact with the lone U.S. Ebola patient was found Sunday in Texas after several hours of searching, authorities said.

The person is not considered to be one of the 10 people who definitely had contact with Thomas Eric Duncan, who is in critical condition at a Dallas hospital. However, he is part of a larger group of 38 people who may have been around Duncan when he was showing symptoms of the disease, officials said.

He was found a few hours after officials on Sunday morning announced he was missing, Dallas city spokeswoman Sana Syed said.

Duncan was listed in critical condition Sunday at a Dallas hospital.

Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins called the man, whom he didn't identify, a "low-risk individual." Authorities had monitored him a day earlier but want to take his temperature regularly to make sure he doesn't have a fever, a possible symptom of Ebola infection.

Jenkins said the man would receive a mental health evaluation at Dallas' Parkland Hospital. The man will eventually be placed in housing that give allow health workers direct access to him daily. Syed said it was unlikely that the man would be placed in a homeless shelter.

The group of 10 people is composed of seven health care workers and three family members or community contacts, said Dr. Tom Frieden, director of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

About 800 calls and emails are coming in daily to the CDC on Ebola, up from about 50 to 100 before Duncan was diagnosed Tuesday, Frieden said. Frieden said he is scheduled to brief President Barack Obama today.

Duncan has been hospitalized at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital for one week.

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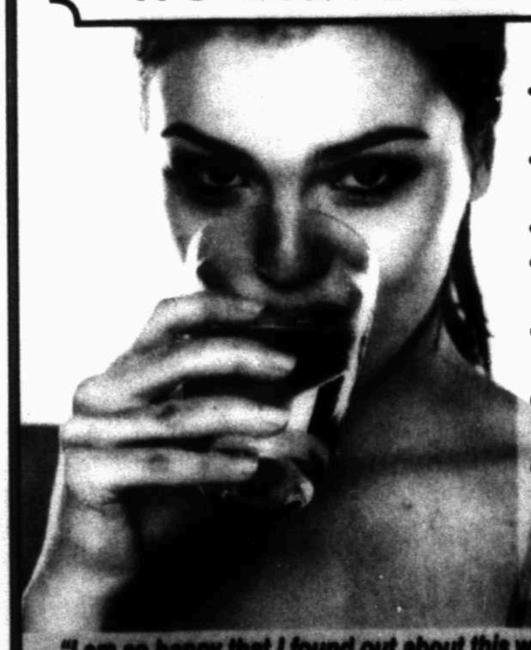
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TODAY IN MIDLAND

League of Women Voters forum

League of Women Voters of Midland is hosting a forum, Public School Funding, Testing and Accountability, 7 p.m. today at Midland College's Scharbauer Carrasco Room. Speakers will be David Garcia, Midland ISD's chief financial officer, and Tedra Robertson with the Equity Center in Austin.

The event will be facilitated by school board member Karen Nicholson.

Meeting today

Planning and Zoning Commission
3:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers, City Hall
300 N. Loraine Ave.

Support groups, club meetings today

- Midland Parkinson Support Group, 6:30 p.m., HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital, 699-6640.
- for miscarriage grief recovery, call 570-5935.
- for post-abortion healing, call 570-5935.
- Tall City VFW Post 7208, 1303 E. Taylor Ave., bingo games 7 p.m.

Pink hair

Beginning today through the end of October, the Midland College Cosmetology program will offer pink hair extensions to commemorate Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Each extension costs $5, which includes a donation to the Susan G. Komen fund for breast cancer education, research, advocacy, health services and social support programs in the U.S.

To make an appointment, call the Cosmetology Department at 685-6721.

Jobless rankings from August

The following are the lowest unemployment rates in the nation during the month of August, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Bismarck, North Dakota: 2.2
Fargo, North Dakota: 2.4
Midland: 2.8
Sioux Falls, South Dakota: 2.9
Lincoln, Nebraska: 3.0
Iowa City, Iowa: 3.1
Rapid City, South Dakota: 3.1
Logan, Utah: 3.1
Ames, Iowa: 3.2
Mankato, Minnesota: 3.2
Grand Forks, North Dakota: 3.2
Rochester, Minnesota: 3.3
Odessa: 3.4
Billings, Montana: 3.5
Burlington, Vermont: 3.5
Salt Lake City, Utah: 3.5
St. Cloud, Minnesota: 3.6
Provo, Utah: 3.6
Madison, Wisconsin: 3.6
Dubuque, Iowa: 3.7
Boulder, Colorado: 3.8
Honolulu, Hawaii: 3.8
Minneapolis, Minnesota: 3.8
Omaha, Nebraska: 3.8
Portsmouth, New Hampshire: 3.8
Fort Collins, Colorado: 3.9
Idaho Falls, Idaho: 3.9
Great Falls, Montana: 3.9
Missoula, Montana: 3.9
Ogden, Utah: 3.9
La Crosse, Wisconsin: 3.9

Bicycle rodeo

A bicycle rodeo is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 18 in front of the new Midland Pediatrics location (4214 Marries Circle, next to Fit Family Fitness).

The Midland Police Department will teach about bike safety, and firefighters will talk about emergency response and show off a Midland Fire Department truck. There will be a station that will make ID badges for kids, food, a face painter and the "Bike Blender."

The first 150 kids to complete the course will receive a free bike helmet.

For more information, call 620-8687.

What's on the radio

News talk
KCRS (AM 550)
6-9 a.m. The Morning Drive with Robert Hallmark and Kurt Verlier
9-11 a.m. Lynn Woolley
11 a.m.-2 p.m. Rush Limbaugh
2-5 p.m. Dave Ramsey
5-6 p.m. Local news reports
6-9 p.m. Roger Hedgecock
9-midnight Hugh Hewitt
Midnight-6 a.m. Coast to Coast with George Noory
Web: http://www.newstalkkcrs.com

KWEL (AM 1070, FM 107.1)
6-10 a.m. Morning Show with Craig Anderson
10 a.m.-noon. Herman Cain
Noon-2 p.m. Glenn Beck
2-5 p.m. Sean Hannity
Web: http://www.kwel.com

Other options
Contemporary Christian: KFRI (FM 88.7), KLVW (FM 90.5)
NPR: KOCV (FM 91.3)

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- Births: Have information and a picture about a newborn son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter you want in the paper? Call Managing Editor Mary Dearen at 687-8852.
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Today in history

On Oct. 6, 1939, in a speech to the Reichstag, German Chancellor Adolf Hitler spoke of his plans to reorder the ethnic layout of Europe — a plan that would entail settling the "Jewish problem."

EXPO

From 1A

ALWAYS AN OPTIMIST

Despite a slow noon start on Sunday, Valleau had been in good spirits about the turnout and expects to bring the expo back.

"The word of mouth has been great and I'd love to be back next year," he said.

He said Saturday saw about 400 people at max, which, for a first time niche event, is impressive.

Artists at various booths expressed satisfaction with both the interest and the business. The Ruthless Tattoo team from Las Vegas said they had stayed busy throughout the expo.

SAMPLER ART

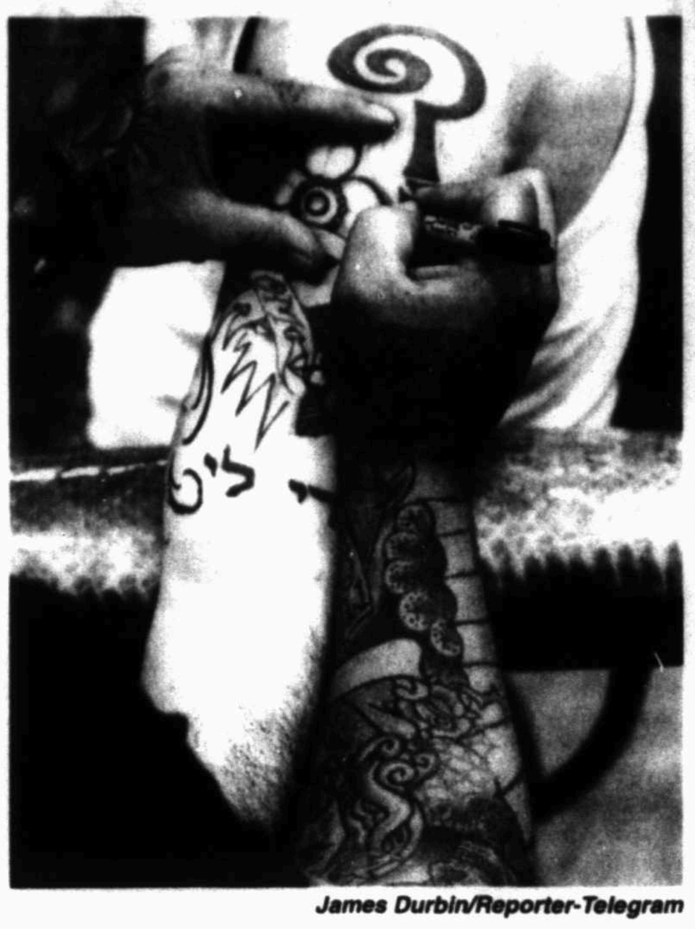
The notebook samplers of art were as impressive as the actual tattoos. Their contents would showcase the artists style from anime to realistic to way-too-realistic images of celebrities and historical figures. I'm not quite sure though who would be requesting an Abe Lincoln tatt.

BUZZ FEED

The expo was an onslaught on the ears. After a while, the buzzing needles started to grind on the ears and even distort where sound was coming from. In addition, the hard rock over the speakers on Sunday was hardly an added bonus. For next time, I'd recommend ear plugs to dampen the number of sounds.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY

Surprisingly, there were many families on Sunday. Tattoo art doesn't ever seem to be on par with say Disney or Marvel art, but several parents with children made it into an outing. Perhaps the rad stickers at every booth distracted from some of the more shocking artwork, and people sans clothing getting their new tattoos.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

An artist works on a tattoo Saturday at the Yellow Rose Tattoo Expo in Midland Center.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

John W. Busbee Jr., 47, of Midland was charged Saturday with unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Alex J. Espinoza, 19, of Midland was charged Saturday with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Brittany N. Hadaway, 18, of Amarillo was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Charlotte A. McKinney, 43, of Midland was charged Saturday with violation of probation.

Nicholas J. Overbey, 24, of Midland was charged Saturday with theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

Domenic R. Overbey, 19, of Midland was charged Saturday with theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

Jarrod S. Richardson, 34, of Midland was charged Saturday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Gerardo Solis Jr., 36, of Midland was charged Saturday with assault on a family or household member by impeding breathing.

Armando Valdez, 44, of Sequin was charged Saturday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

TOMLINSON

From 1A

45 percent operate only within the state, according to the Texas Transportation Association, so trucking is a big part of the Houston economy. Yet funding for roads is one of the toughest challenges facing the state.

Texas needs $6.1 billion to simply keep roads safe and $9.9 billion to maintain roads at a 2010 level, according to the institute, but the Texas Department of Transportation only has $2.8 billion available.

The biggest problem is the fuel tax, which has remained at 20 cents a gallon since 1991. More fuel-efficient vehicles mean fewer gallons consumed and less revenue per vehicle. The average vehicle owner pays $3 less a year in fuel taxes than in 1991, and inflation means 20 cents buys less than half of what it once did.

Money diverted

Factor in how lawmakers in Austin have kept taxes low by diverting $700 million a year from the State Highway Fund to pay for state law enforcement, and you have a crisis in road funding.

A crisis in road funding means a crisis for Houston businesses.

"'No new taxes' is just plain irresponsible when you're talking about infrastructure. Our generation was handed world-class infrastructure, we were handed the interstate highway system, and we're going to hand worse infrastructure to the next generation," Fielkow said as I watched a traffic jam outside a Houston coffee shop. "The fuel tax is the most fair and equitable way based on use, and obviously our industry being such a big user would bear a large part of it."

Proposal yanked

Fielkow's comments reminded me of sitting on the floor of the Texas House of Representatives last year as state Rep. Drew Darby, R-San Angelo, proposed raising the vehicle registration tax and took a moment to lament the stagnant fuel tax. He warned his fellow conservatives that they were not properly funding roads, but they wanted nothing to do with raising taxes or fees of any kind. Darby pulled his proposal to keep his colleagues from casting an embarrassing vote.

The call of the toll road

Mike Heiligenstein is also a veteran of Austin politics, serving both as president of the International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association and as the executive director of the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority.

He said rather than pay in advance through the fuel tax, Texas voters and politicians are more comfortable with the pay-as-you-go method of toll roads.

"I haven't had a public official tell me in the last five years that they didn't want me to build a toll road," he told me during the group's annual meeting in Austin. "We can build a tolled road in five years, or we can build a non-tolled road in 25 years. That's an easy choice."

Axle-counting errors

An easy choice for a politician, but not for a trucker. Fielkow said his drivers avoid toll roads because the high fees for trucks make it uneconomical and the machines that count axles to determine the charge produce errors.

"The toll system in Houston is really expensive right now, and there is a huge inaccuracy in calculating tolls for trucks by the axle," he said. "You get these crazy-high bills."

A third solution is government debt, but we're close to maxing out our credit card. The state owes $15.2 billion, which costs us $1.3 billion a year to pay off. The total highway funding appropriated by the Legislature for 2014 was $2.8 billion.

Lawmakers found a way around raising taxes or tolling every highway by urging voters to approve Proposition 1 this November. The measure will divert $1.7 billion of oil and gas income a year from the state's rainy day fund and spend it on non-toll roads. That is a far cry from the $4 billion a year needed, but it'll help.

Solving the problem

The real solution is an all-of-the-above strategy. The fuel tax needs to keep up with inflation to maintain roads, tolls roads can address metropolitan congestion, and bonds can build new projects. The question is whether we'll do what's necessary to remain a modern state.

After all, there's no such thing as a free ride.

Tip wage in Texas is frozen in time

By L.M. Sixel
Houston Chronicle

In 1991, George H.W. Bush was president, talk show host Johnny Carson announced his pending retirement, and the Dow Jones industrial average closed at a record high of 3,168.

It was also the last time tipped workers got a raise from the federal government.

Even though the federal minimum wage has increased several times during the past 23 years — it's now $7.25 an hour — millions of waiters, bartenders, hairdressers and other service workers are still earning a base wage of $2.13 an hour.

Under federal wage law, employers can pay workers who customarily and regularly receive more than $30 a month in tips a base wage of $2.13 an hour. If the employee doesn't get enough tips to reach $7.25 an hour over the pay period, the employer must make up the difference.

In a nation in which many states have moved to raise their statewide minimum wage for tipped workers, Texas is becoming somewhat of an outlier.

Twenty-four states plus the District of Columbia have already raised the tip wage to above $2.13 an hour. Several more states, including California, Oregon and Washington, prohibit companies from paying their tipped employees a lower base wage. In those states, employees receive at least the full minimum wage and can keep their tips.

In Texas and 19 other states, employers can pay their tipped workers a minimum cash wage of $2.13 an hour.

WHO THEY ARE

Waiters and bartendersmake up the majority of the tipped workforce, according to the Economic Policy Institute. The nonprofit group, which focuses on the low and middle income workforce, estimates that 4.3 million employees nationwide are tipped workers. About 2.5 million, or 58 percent of the total, are waiters and bartenders.

Most folks think of fine-dining establishments that generate decent tips when they think of tipped workers, said Heidi Shierholz, chief economist for the U.S. Department of Labor. They don't usually include manicurists at nail salons, car wash attendants, waiters in small cafes or the wheelchair pushers at the nation's airports who rely on tips for the bulk of their income.

Nor do most folks realize the lack of stability the low tip wage creates. Someone who pushes a wheelchair may come out fine some days. But other days, there is not much there.

"You need to have some stability over time to have any planning in your life," said Shierholz, who said the nation needs to raise the tipped minimum wage.

Many of those workers are trying to raise families on highly unstable wages, she said, noting that 34 percent of tipped workers are parents.

PENDING IN CONGRESS

A bill pending in Congress would raise the minimum wage in a series of steps to $10.10 an hour and tie future increases to the inflation rate. The bill, introduced by Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, would restore the link between the minimum wage and the tip wage and require employers to boost the tip wage to 70 percent of the federal minimum wage.

Before 1996, the tip wage was one-half of the minimum wage. But that year legislators froze the tip wage and severed the link between the tip wage and the minimum wage.

It's essential to keep it that way, some groups said.

If the tip wage increases, restaurants would have to raise prices, lower the wages of other workers or find ways to use fewer employees, said Richie Jackson, CEO of the Texas Restaurant Association in Austin. The group has about 6,000 members statewide from full-service restaurants to fast-food joints.

"There is only a finite amount of profit in a restaurant," Jackson said.

Restaurants are reluctant to raise prices, he said, because patrons have choices. They don't have to go out to eat; they can eat at home or take food with them to work.

It's also not easy to cut the wage structure for the employees who toil in the "back of the house," but restaurants may have to do that if they have to raise tip wages, he said.

Or Texas restaurants will have to follow the example of their counterparts in the states that do not permit employers to pay a lower tip wage, he said. In those states, restaurants have cut their workforces by installing self-serve kiosks, using pre-shredded lettuce or having their secret tomato sauce made off-site.

Shierholz has heard the arguments before and denies there's any "doomsday scenario."

She cited California, where restaurants are required to pay their servers the full minimum wage of $9 per hour before tips, and pointed to National Restaurant Association data that show restaurants there are projected to create 9.1 percent more jobs during the next decade. That works out to 141,100 new jobs over the next 10 years, according to the association's website.

The poverty rate of tipped workers in California is lower than it is in other states, Shierholz said.

The overall poverty rate of tipped workers is about twice as high as non-tipped workers.

Game of Thrones' author Martin to stump for Udall in New Mexico

Associated Press

SANTA FE, N.M. — George R.R. Martin is going from the game of thrones to the game of political campaigning.

The author behind the fantasy book series that inspired HBO's "Game of Thrones" will stump for U.S. Sen. Tom Udall at a youth voting rally Tuesday afternoon in Santa Fe.

Campaign representatives for the Democratic incumbent said most seats at the Santa Fe Farmer's Market Pavilion are being reserved for high school and college students.

Martin will join Udall at a campaign fundraising reception and dinner after at the Jean Cocteau Cinema, which the author owns.

Udall faces Republican challenger Allen Weh in the November election.

Balloon stolen at Albuquerque Balloon Fest

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — A California woman wasn't able to honor her late husband at the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta after a thief made off with the balloon her daughter planned to pilot.

Police said Lucinda Wallace's hot air balloon was taken sometime early Saturday morning from the Nativo Hotel. The suspect also took a trailer holding the balloon and a Chevrolet Suburban with a California license plate that reads "baluner."

Wallace said daughter Marilyn was going to fly it in memory of her father, Rick Wallace died more than two months ago of cancer.

DEMOLITION

From 1A

courthouse demolition, which he opposed in March 2013 when Energy Tower was announced. He said if the city can't find any beneficial use for the building, then there is no alternative but to demolish it.

"But historically, locally, it's a huge loss," McDaniel said. "But that part of town, the city center, should always be used to benefit the community, which is what the courthouse did, historically."

FATE

From 1A

"It clearly would conflict with the Eagle Ford Shale," Glen said.

The Eagle Ford is rapidly approaching the 1 million barrels-per-day mark for crude oil production.

On the docket

A look at some of the noteworthy cases the Supreme Court will hear this term, which begins today:

■ Mistaken traffic stop: A broken brake light led a North Carolina police officer to pull over a car in which cocaine was later found. Turns out, the state requires only one functioning brake light. The court is weighing a case about whether a defendant's constitutional protection against unreasonable searches was violated because of the officer's mistaken understanding of the law.

■ Prison beards: An Arkansas inmate is challenging a prison policy that prevents him from growing a short beard in accordance with his Muslim religious beliefs. Prison officials say the policy prevents inmates from concealing contraband or quickly changing their appearance in an escape.

■ Teeth whitening: The North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners is challenging a Federal Trade Commission order that said the dentist-filled board is trying to kill off competition from day spas and tanning booths that offer teeth-whitening.

■ Dishonest juror: Claims that a juror's comments during trial deliberations over a South Dakota traffic accident raise questions about her impartiality and possibly could result in a new trial.

■ Born in Jerusalem: The case of an American born in Jerusalem who wants his passport to list his birthplace as Israel underlies a major dispute between Congress and the president, with Middle Eastern politics as the backdrop. The United States has never recognized any nation's sovereignty over Jerusalem, believing the city's status should be resolved in peace negotiations. The administration says a 2002 law passed by Congress allowing Israel to be listed as the birthplace of Jerusalem-born Americans would in essence be seen as a U.S. endorsement of Israeli control of the city.

■ Alabama redistricting: Democrats and black lawmakers contend that Republican leaders in Alabama drew a new legislative map that illegally packed black voters into too few voting districts to limit minority political power. Republicans say they complied with the law by keeping the same number of districts in which black voters could elect candidates of their choice.

■ Facebook threats: A Pennsylvania man challenges his conviction for making threats on Facebook. He says his online rants about killing his estranged wife, shooting up a school and sitting an FBI agent's throat were simply rap lyrics, and that he didn't mean to threaten anyone.

■ Pregnancy discrimination: A United Parcel Service employee says the company failed to accommodate her pregnancy when it refused to give her light-duty work. But UPS contends its policies are "pregnancy-neutral," allowing light-duty assignments only in cases where employees are injured on the job or have certain medical conditions.

■ Housing discrimination: For the third time, the court has agreed to hear a challenge from Texas to an important tool the government is increasingly using to fight discrimination in housing. Two earlier cases settled before the justices could weigh in on the legality of determining discrimination from the results of a policy that disproportionately affects minorities, rather than by showing any intent to discriminate.

■ Religious discrimination: Retailer Abercrombie and Fitch is defending its denial of a job to a woman wearing a Muslim headscarf by arguing that she did not say during her interview that she wears the hijab for religious reasons.

Cases the justices could decide to hear before the term ends in late June:

■ Gay marriage: Both sides want the justices to settle the question of whether same-sex couples have the same right to marry as heterosexuals under the Constitution. A court ruling in favor of same-sex marriage would grant marriage rights to same-sex couples in all 50 states, up from 19 states and the District of Columbia. A decision in favor of state marriage bans would allow states to continue setting the rules on whether to allow same-sex couples to wed.

■ Abortion: Several states have passed laws in recent years aimed at limiting abortion by imposing hospital admitting privilege requirements on doctors who perform abortions, forcing abortion clinic facilities to meet tougher standards and preventing doctors from prescribing pills for medical abortions later in a pregnancy and at a lower dose. The court could take one or more cases that are winding through the courts.

■ Voting disputes: Identification requirements and limits on early voting are among state voting laws that could make their way to the Supreme Court this term. The court already has jumped preliminarily into a case over early voting in Ohio and seems likely to want a full-blown review. But a decision on hearing that case could come late enough in the term to push back the argument and decision to the following term that begins a year from now.

■ Contraception: The next fight over the new health care law's requirement that contraception be offered to women among a range of preventive services at no extra cost concerns the responsibilities of religious not-for-profit universities, hospitals and other institutions. The Obama administration already allows those organizations to shift responsibility for coverage to their insurers, but the groups say that so-called accommodation still is a burden on their religious considerations. In June, the justices said family-owned corporations with religious objections do not have to pay for contraceptives for women covered under their health plans.

■ Health care subsidies: Legal challenges to the health care law continue in several states that would drastically reduce the number of Americans eligible for subsidies to make health insurance affordable. One appeal of a court ruling denying a challenge to the subsidies already is pending at the Supreme Court, although the pace of the other cases suggests the justices are more likely to wait, if they even are willing to undertake another high-stakes fight over the health care law.

■ Affirmative action: The court could get another crack at the University of Texas admissions policy that takes race into account among many factors in filling some seats in entering freshmen classes. Lower courts upheld the Texas policy following a Supreme Court decision in 2013 that ordered a new review. The case currently is being appealed to the full 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

Associated Press

As the Supreme Court begins its new term today, pro-life advocates hold a prayer vigil on the plaza of the high court in Washington on Saturday. The group, Bound 4 Life, has come to the court for ten years to make a silent appeal against abortion.

J. Scott Applewhite/AP

Justices' new term has expectations on gay unions

By Mark Sherman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A Supreme Court term that is starting with a lack of headline-grabbing cases may end with a blockbuster that helps define the legacy of the court under Chief Justice John Roberts.

While same-sex marriage is not yet on their agenda, the justices appear likely to take on the issue and decide once and for all whether gay and lesbian couples have a constitutional right to marry.

When the justices formally open their new term today, Roberts will be beginning his 10th year at the head of the court, and the fifth with the same lineup of justices. He has been part of a five-justice conservative majority that has rolled back campaign finance limits, upheld abortion restrictions and generally been skeptical of the consideration of race in public life.

But his court has taken a different path in cases involving gay and lesbian Americans, despite his opposition most of the time.

The court's record on gay rights is comparable to its embrace of civil rights for African-Americans in the 1950s and 1960s under Chief Justice Earl Warren, said University of Chicago law professor David Strauss. "The court will go down in history as one that was on the frontiers of establishing rights for gays and lesbians," Strauss said.

The justices passed up their first opportunity last week to add gay marriage cases to their calendar. But they will have several more chances in the coming weeks to accept appeals from officials in Indiana, Oklahoma, Utah, Virginia and Wisconsin who are trying to preserve their state bans on same-sex marriage.

Those prohibitions fell one after the other following the high court's June 2013 decision that struck down part of a federal law that defined marriage as between a man and a woman.

On the court's plate in the new term are cases involving:

■ religious, employment and housing discrimination.

■ the drawing of political districts in Alabama and Arizona.

■ a dispute between Congress and the president over passports that is heavy with Middle East politics.

■ a faulty traffic stop over a car's broken brake light in North Carolina.

■ the use of a law to prevent document shredding against a fisherman accused of throwing undersized red grouper overboard.

■ the prosecution of a self-styled rapper whose Facebook postings threatened his estranged wife, an FBI agent and area schools.

Today's argument involves the North Carolina traffic stop that led to the discovery of cocaine in Nicholas Heien's Ford Escort. A police officer pulled over the car when he saw the right brake light wasn't working, although the left one was. Typically, evidence found in a car pulled over for a valid reason can be used against a defendant. But North Carolina's quirky traffic laws mandate that only one brake light on a car be working.

The case tests whether the officer's mistaken understanding of the law makes the traffic stop unreasonable and the ensuing search a violation of Heien's constitutional rights. Among Heien's arguments is that citizens can't plead ignorance of the law when they are charged with a crime, so there shouldn't be a double standard for the police. A divided state Supreme Court said the mistake was reasonable enough to justify the routine traffic stop.

On Tuesday, the justices will take up the case of Arkansas prison inmate Gregory Holt, who said his Muslim beliefs require him to grow a half-inch beard. Arkansas prison officials permit no beards, with the exception of inmates with certain skin conditions, who can have beards a quarter-inch long.

Prison officials said their rule is a matter of security because beards can be used to hide prohibited items, and 18 states are backing the state's argument. But groups across the political spectrum and the Obama administration said Holt has a right to grow a beard under a federal law aimed at protecting prisoners' religious rights. More than 40 states already allow beards, with little evidence that inmates have tried to hide prohibited items in them.

Last term, the court bitterly divided over the religious rights of family-owned corporations that objected to paying for women's contraceptives under President Barack Obama's health care law. This case appears likely to unite the court, said University of Notre Dame law professor Richard Garnett. "I think there's every reason to expect agreement among the justices that Arkansas hasn't even come close to satisfying the burden," Garnett said.

The court's calendar this fall also includes a foray into the online world. Anthony Elonis of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, is challenging his conviction for using Facebook to post threats of violence. The issue in Elonis' case is whether he had to intend to make the threats. The government argues that the proper measure is whether a reasonable person would feel threatened.

Elonis said his online postings should be considered speech that is protected by the First Amendment, and that he used the forum to vent his frustration over a series of events that included the loss of his job and the breakup of his marriage.

Beyond individual cases on the docket, court observers across the political spectrum are using the milestone 10th year to offer assessments of Roberts and the court he leads.

The liberal Constitutional Accountability Center has embarked on a yearlong study of the chief justice, noting that he said at his confirmation hearings he would pursue restraint and unanimity on the bench.

Some conservatives are dismayed by what they see as Roberts' unwillingness to take big steps on key issues, and they have yet to forgive his vote to uphold Obama's health care law in 2012.

With the court closely divided on key issues, a change on the bench can mean the difference between victory and defeat. That was indeed the case with the replacement of Justice Sandra Day O'Connor with Justice Samuel Alito, affecting outcomes in cases on abortion, race and campaign finance.

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OPINION

Independent is a great way for Hispanics to be

■ Just like any other voting bloc, Latinos should expect candidates to court them

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Washington Post Writers Group

Hispanics contemplating the upcoming elections must be wondering: "What now?"

President Obama has shown Hispanics that he takes us for granted. The midterm elections won't feature a "Latino vote" storyline in the most contested high-level races. As far as 2016 is concerned, it's a crapshoot.

How best to proceed then?

Disengage from the political process?

Carry on with straight-ticket voting and hope that any new officeholders will be better than the current ones?

Decide that — at least in the voting booth -- maybe the devil you know is really no better than the devil you don't?

These questions are imperative to far more Hispanics than just those whose most important election issue is immigration.

For many, the biggest concern going into next month's vote is whether or not politicians of either party will ever take Hispanic voters seriously.

According to some longtime political activists and community leaders, it all depends on how much pressure Hispanics can put on Washington.

During a live BlogTalkRadio roundtable discussion — "The Latino Political House Is Divided: Which Side Are You On - Immigrant Families or the Democratic Party?" — three Latino organizers discussed their separation from the presumed alliance of grassroots and national immigrant rights organizations. They stressed that Hispanic voters must overcome the degradation that has enveloped both the advocacy organizations that depend on Washington funding and the politicians who rely on these organizations' support.

"Some of us that have been outspoken from the beginning have pointed out that there is a flaw in the fundamental strategy of how the justice-for-immigrants movement has proceeded over the last 10 years," said Gonzalo Santos, a sociology professor at California State University at Bakersfield and an immigrant rights activist. "[We've relied] on the leadership, guidance and direction of agents in Washington — political organizations, lobbying organizations, political parties — and nationally elected leaders to frame the issues, set the timelines and actually negotiate among themselves the content of what we call immigration reform.

"We have forfeited to Washington the directing role in this matter. ... If we go back in history and inspect the last successful movement, Washington has always followed the lead of authentic social movements [that] never forfeited their autonomy, independence, their voice [or] their list of demands. ... The movement's role is never to be confused with Washington's role."

Santos and fellow activists, who have united under the name the National Coordinating Committee 2014 for Fair and Humane Immigration Reform, are calling for radical actions to upend politicians' business-as-usual approach to Hispanic voters — not the least of which is the wholesale realignment of Hispanic party allegiance.

"We are calling on Latinos to call themselves independent," said Armando Vazquez-Ramos, president of the California-Mexico Studies Center in Long Beach, California. "It's clear that it's going to be very tough for Democrats. ... [It will be an] uphill battle just to maintain control of the Senate, and they have only themselves to blame for that. They can't blame Hispanics if they lose.

"And they have to understand that without action there is no vote. ... [Neither the president nor the Democrats] can assume that by birth we are Catholics and Democrats."

Nativo Lopez-Vigil, the president of the Mexican American Political Association, said Hispanic support needs to be earned like that of other voting blocs.

"We should be wooed by both parties. The Democratic Party feels like they have us snuggled up, wrapped up, wadded up in their pocket so they don't have to fight for our vote," said Lopez-Vigil, his voice rising. "Our people should be independent. A growing portion of the electorate across the country is identifying as independent, and when it comes down to crunch time [politicians] court independents."

Tellingly, he also reminded the audience that it's not all about immigration. Citing Hispanic losses during the Great Recession, he said "housing reform, the foreclosure crisis ... it's not just immigration, but health care, jobs," and education challenges.

Independent is a great way to be — sufficiently cynical to never buy any politician's snake oil but still optimistic enough to participate in the political process.

So, Hispanics, please come on in to the Unaffiliated Voter tent — you'll be welcome here and less likely to be taken for granted when push comes to shove in November 2016.

GUEST VIEW

Texas should avoid barriers to Mexican oil/gas opportunities

Houston Chronicle

Last month, while hundreds of thousands paraded across the globe to advocate action on climate change, Texas hosted a distinctly less impressive protest: Five people marching at the Veteran's International Bridge, a Texas-Mexico border crossing in Brownsville. The much-hyped but underwhelming event was originally part of a plan to block more than a dozen border crossings in a protest against illegal immigration.

Like activists who advocate shutting down every fracturing well in Texas, these anti-immigration protesters want to hold the Texas economy hostage to an irrational demand for policy purity. Shutting down those border crossings would shut down billion-dollar avenues of trade and commerce between Texas and Mexico. If anything, those ports of entry need to be expanded to accommodate traffic and trade.

Unfortunately, those five protesters aren't alone in their efforts. Texas politics is saturated with talking heads who view our state's No. 1 trading partner (and world's 14th largest economy) as some Third-World threat.

Monday night, state Sen. Dan Patrick was in full-on, talk-radio mode, claiming during a televised debate that terrorist groups such as ISIS threaten to infiltrate the Texas-Mexico border. It wasn't the first time that the Republican candidate for lieutenant governor spoke in conspiracy theories about our neighbor to the south. Throughout his campaign, Patrick's policy on Mexico seems more driven by fear than fiduciary duty.

Mexico is in the middle of a policy revolution. For the first time in more than 70 years, it is allowing private investment in its oil and gas industry. Instead of talking about building walls, Texas' leaders should be talking about building roads, rail, pipelines and electrical connections. The Eagle Ford shale formation doesn't end at the border, and opportunities for Texas companies shouldn't end there, either. Without the right infrastructure, however, Texas hardware and knowledge might as well be stuck at the Rio Grande.

With Texas statewide politics focusing on sideshows and scare tactics, we're losing business opportunity to, of all places, California. Democratic California Gov. Jerry Brown has been negotiating trade deals with Mexico to spur investment and trade. University of California System President Janet Napolitano has been working to strengthen California's ties with Mexican higher education. A 90-member delegation of public officials and private-sector executives from California traveled to Mexico City in July to promote trade.

Our local policy leaders work hard to strengthen ties between the Houston energy economy and the Mexican oil patch, yet statewide politicians like Gov. Rick Perry undermine those efforts when they put troops on the border and send angry letters to Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto.

Something is wrong when the West Coast does free markets better than Texas. Both sides of the U.S.-Mexico border need to get a better handle on immigration, and Mexico has a bigger role to play in policing its own side. But it is easier to catch criminals when we provide clear and legal pathways, in both crossing points and in our laws.

The border isn't some Middle East desert. It is a multi-billion-dollar trade corridor. Texas politicians need to start acting like it.

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Buckets of ice water are no answer

■ Gimmicks aside, we need the medical research to be well-funded

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Hearst Newspapers

Two seemingly unrelated items of medical news: Ebola is devastating West Africa, and may spread around the world, and the entertaining ice bucket challenge has raised $115 million for ALS research.

The linkage is that both diseases have needed and still need medical research. So do hundreds of other diseases and conditions.

The truth is that the amount of money the United States spends on medical research is falling precipitously. It has been hit by budget worries in Congress, sequestration, and the decline in research funding by corporations.

Leo Chalupa, vice president for research at The George Washington University, said on "White House Chronicle" last weekend that the National Institutes of Health budget for research grants has decreased by 20 percent since 2004. He said that five out of six research applications are now rejected by the NIH, the principal conduit for federal funding of biomedical research.

The George Washington University is a member of the Science Coalition, a group of more than 60 of the nation's leading public and private research universities. Since its establishment in 1994, the coalition has advocated for sustained federal investment in basic scientific research as a means to stimulate the economy, spur innovation and drive America's global competitiveness.

The late David Fishlock, science editor of the Financial Times, wrote and spoke elegantly about the problem democracies have in sustaining scientific funding: how they tend to be heavy on the gas, and then heavy on the brakes.

The government funds research through its own network of institutes and laboratories, and through grants to universities and corporations. When it comes to capturing the energy and flair of young researchers, the universities are vital.

Jennifer Reed, associate professor in the Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering at University of Wisconsin-Madison, said on "White House Chronicle" that universities contract with graduate students for five years, but the federal grants for research, when they get them, can be for less time. Reed said this is devastating to the research and the lives of the young researchers. Her funding comes from the Department of Energy and is aimed at using renewable materials to make alternatives to fossil-based plastics and energy storage.

The problem is acute in medical research, most of which has its genesis in grants made by the NIH. Contrary to popular belief that medical funding is shouldered in the private sector, Chalupa said pharmaceutical companies often have narrow interests in particular drugs for particular conditions. "They have shareholders to answer to," he said.

But it is not just funding that bedevils research, it is politics as well. Good projects are canceled and bad ones are incubated, depending on their appeal to particular constituencies. For example, fusion research has been lavished with money compared to other nuclear research needs, including the increased use of nuclear medicine to save lives and suffering.

Also, the government funds research through many agencies and this often reflects local or political pressure. Some researchers have found that they have to shop for funding, from NIH to the Pentagon to the National Science Foundation. Others have turned to crowd-funding, including the famed virus hunter Dr. W. Ian Lipkin, who directs the Center for Infection and Immunity at Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health. Lipkin is now in high demand because of the Ebola crisis. But if there had been more work on viruses since the discovery of Ebola in 1976, there might now be a vaccine or other therapy to deal with the epidemic.

The United States is still the creative engine of the world. But without steady expenditure, it won't be firing on all cylinders. Chalupa and Reed warn that China is increasing its funding for research rapidly, and is set to overtake the United States.

One patient (or more) launched the iced water caper out of frustration with the ALS research effort. It has been creative and successful, but it will not keep the United States as the pre-eminent home of brave discoveries. Or to help the sick.

From the Left | Doonesbury

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Poll: Americans worry whether government can provide protection

By Jill Colvin and Jennifer Agiesta
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Americans lack confidence in the government's ability to protect their personal safety and economic security, a sign that their widespread unease about the state of the nation extends far beyond politics, according to the latest Associated Press-GfK poll.

With Election Day about a month away, more than half those in the survey said Washington can do little to effectively lessen threats such as climate change, mass shootings, racial tensions, economic uncertainty and an unstable job market.

"I think what we've got going on here in America is the perfect storm of not good things," said Joe Teasdale, 59, who lives in southwest Wisconsin and works as an assistant engineer at a casino.

For many of those questioned in the poll, conducted before doctors in Texas diagnosed a Liberian man with the Ebola virus, the concern starts with the economy.

The poll found that 9 in 10 of those most likely to vote in the Nov. 4 election call the economy an extremely or very important issue. Teasdale is among those who said the slow recovery from the recession is a top concern.

Despite improvements nationally, business is far from booming in his state, Teasdale said. He's been supplementing his stagnant salary by renovating and renting out duplexes and has little faith the situation will improve soon. He wants government to get out of the way of business.

"If you're putting so much restriction on them where it isn't practical for them to expand or grow, why should they?" Teasdale asked.

Those surveyed also pointed to events such as the protests in Ferguson, Missouri, that followed the fatal police shooting an unarmed black 18-year-old and the beheading of a woman in an Oklahoma food processing plant, apparently at the hand of a suspended coworker.

"This is the first time I've felt insecure in my own country," said Jan Thomas, 75, of Stevensville, Montana. "Especially after the beheading in Oklahoma. That's scary."

The poll found that Democrats tend to express more faith in the government's ability to protect them than do Republicans. Yet even among Democrats, just 27 percent are confident the government can keep them safe from terrorist attacks. Fewer than 1 in 5 said so on each of the other issues, including climate change.

"There's too many people who still don't believe that it's happening," bemoaned Felicia Duncan, 53, who lives in Sharonville, Ohio, a suburb of Cincinnati, and works as an office manager at a mechanical contracting company.

Urbanites tend to be more confident the government will keep them safe from terrorist threats than do people living in suburbs and rural areas. Younger Americans are more confident than older people that the government can minimize the threat of mass shootings. When it comes to quelling racial tensions, Hispanics are more confident than are blacks and whites.

Thirteen years after the Sept. 11 attacks, and as the Obama administration conducts airstrikes against Islamic State militants in Syria and Iraq, only 1 in 5 in the poll say they are extremely or very confident the government can keep them safe from another terrorist attack. Four in 10 express moderate confidence.

While there has not been a large-scale terrorist attack on U.S. soil since 9/11, roughly one-third of Americans say they are not too confident or not confident at all in the government's ability to prevent another.

Bill Denison, 85, who lives in Bradenton, Florida, is among the minority who thinks the government is doing a good job keeping citizens safe, at least when it comes to preventing domestic attacks.

"Overall I think that the best job that we've done in this country is with anti-terrorism," he said. "We're doing a magnificent job, and so far it's been pretty successful."

Still, he expressed disbelief at the recent security breaches involving Secret Service agents, including an incident in which a man scaled the White House fence and made his way deep into the executive mansion.

"The fact that a guy can run into the White House is pretty disturbing," he said. "But we're only human. And humans are going to make mistakes."

The AP-GfK Poll was conducted September 25-29 using KnowledgePanel, GfK's probability-based panel designed to be representative of the U.S. population. It involved online interviews with 1,845 adults, and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 2.5 percentage points for all respondents.

Respondents were selected randomly using telephone or mail survey methods, and later interviewed. People selected for KnowledgePanel who didn't otherwise have access to the Internet were given free access.

AP file photos

This combo made with file photos shows, from left, former Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson, former Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner and former Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke. The three top former government leaders who devised the 2008 financial bailouts are set to testify this week in a lawsuit over the government's rescue of the insurance giant AIG.

On the witness list: Paulson, Geithner, Bernanke in AIG bailout lawsuit

By Josh Boak
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It could be an awkward reunion.

Three top former government leaders who devised the 2008 financial bailouts — Henry Paulson, Timothy Geithner and Ben Bernanke — are set to testify this week in a lawsuit over the government's rescue of the insurance giant AIG.

Six years ago, their rescue plan revived AIG, protected its far-flung financial partners and helped save the financial system. Yet AIG's former CEO, 89-year old Maurice Greenberg, argues that the government's bailout was illegitimate and is demanding roughly $40 billion in damages for shareholders.

This despite the fact that Greenberg orchestrated a 2010 deal in which he unloaded $278 million in AIG shares that his holding company owned — a windfall that might have been impossible without the government's intervention.

The lawsuit alleges that the bailout violated the Constitution's Fifth Amendment by taking control of AIG without "just compensation." Greenberg objects to the government's takeover of a company approaching bankruptcy in exchange for what would eventually become $180 billion-plus in taxpayer-backed loans.

Many legal experts deem the lawsuit a longshot. But the trial serves as a reminder that few were satisfied by the government's response to the crisis — even those who, like Greenberg, fared far better than the millions who lost homes and jobs.

For Greenberg, the case represents a chance to make the former Federal Reserve chairman (Bernanke) and two past Treasury secretaries (Paulson and Geithner) defend a landmark action made at the most perilous moment for the U.S. financial system since the Great Depression.

All three, of course, have well-honed and oft-repeated arguments in defense of the AIG bailout. Geithner released his memoirs this year, while Paulson appeared in a Netflix documentary film about his experiences last year. The tight-lipped Bernanke is now writing his own book.

During the height of the crisis, no private company was willing to provide loans to AIG. The insurer "faced severe liquidity pressures that threatened to force it imminently into bankruptcy," Bernanke told the House Financial Services Committee in 2009.

An AIG collapse "would have posed unacceptable risks for the global financial system and for our economy," Bernanke said. The viability of state and local governments, banks and 401(k) plans was at risk, he warned.

Greenberg's lawyer, David Boies, is famed for fighting for gay marriage and arguing before the Supreme Court on behalf of Al Gore in the 2000 presidential election. But in congressional hearings and news conferences, the three witnesses he intends to grill before the U.S. Court of Federal Claims have learned to measure their words carefully.

The challenge is whether Boies can use the multitude of their past comments about AIG to trap them in an inconsistency, said Hester Peirce, a senior research fellow at George Mason University and former Senate Banking Committee staffer.

"They are in a pretty difficult position because they might have to contradict what they previously said," Peirce said.

For Americans who yearn to see reckless bankers held accountable in court, it's somewhat surreal to have a lawsuit based on the premise that the government's rescue unfairly punished a company whose collapse would have threatened the global financial system.

How so? AIG was overexposed to subprime mortgages back in 2008. That's because of a financial instrument known as a credit default swap. It obligated AIG to pay out if the mortgages defaulted.

Its stock and credit ratings had nosedived. The company largely built by Greenberg appeared to be freefalling into bankruptcy, possibly dragging down several major investment banks with it.

So the government provided an initial $85 billion loan — ultimately $182 billion — in return for an 80 percent stake in AIG.

That 80 percent stake angered Greenberg. He remained the company's most vocal shareholder after being ousted as CEO and chairman in 2005 amid a New York state investigation into suspicious financial transactions under his watch. Greenberg contends that AIG shareholders were singled out for retribution, while the government chose to extend loans on far more generous terms to banks such as Citigroup.

The division within AIG that undermined the company's balance sheet was established under Greenberg's watch, noted James Cox, a law professor at Duke University.

"Greenberg probably did create a culture at AIG that nurtured the aggressiveness of the swaps business and the excessive greed that we associated with the crisis," Cox said. "I don't see him as a choir boy in this process."

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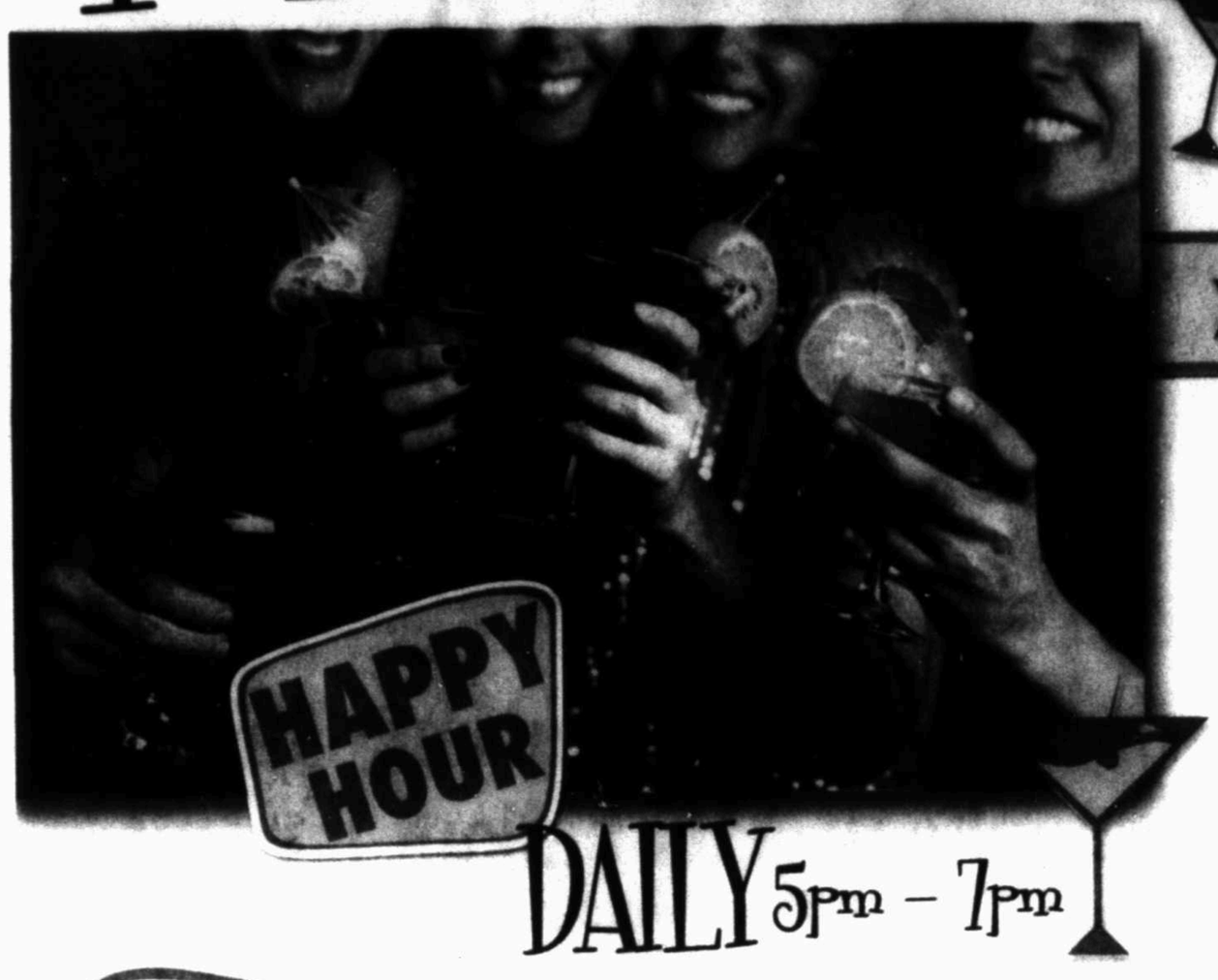

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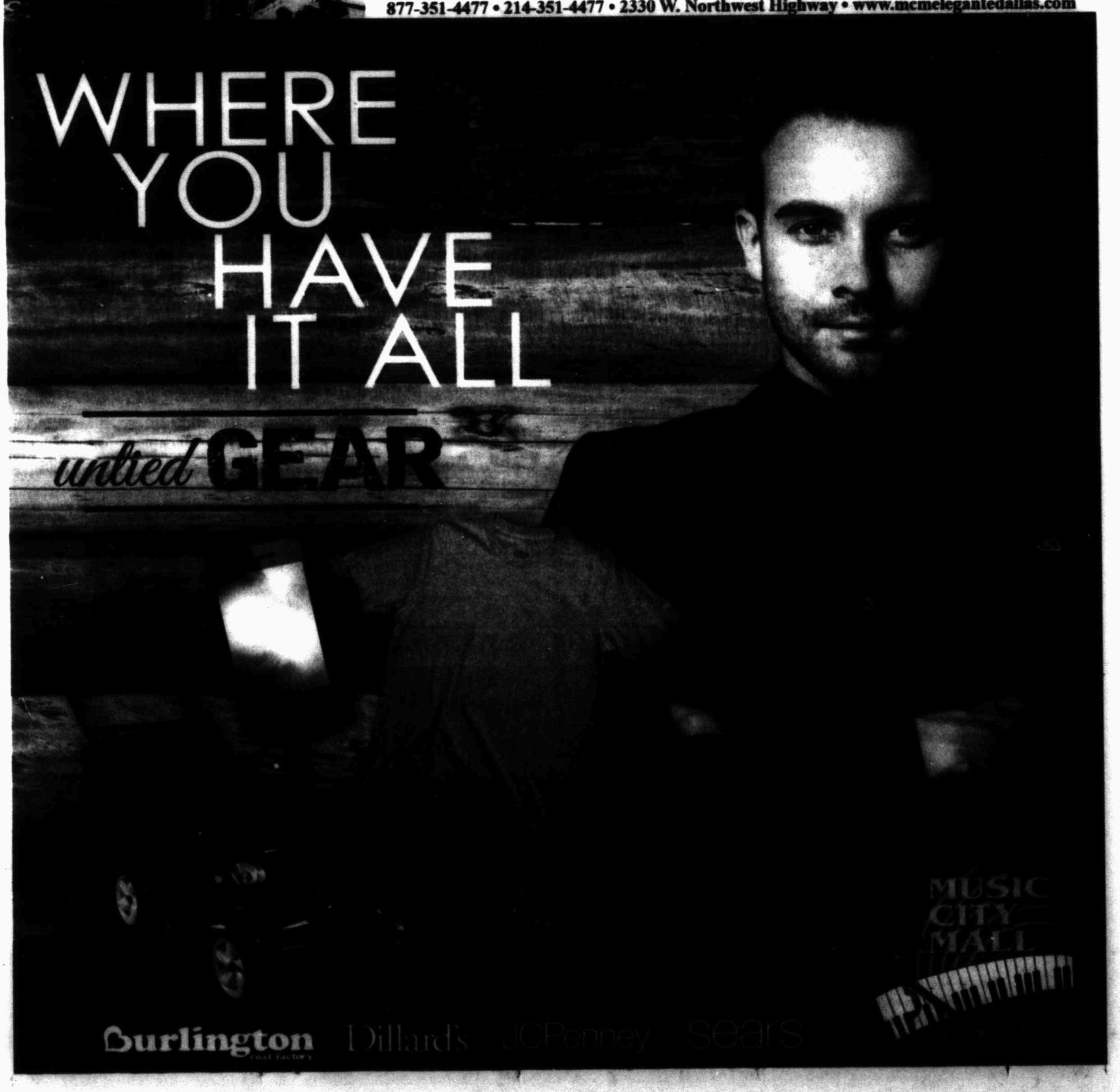

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The top iPhone and iPad apps

App Store official charts for the week ending September 29:

Top paid iPhone apps

1. Facebook Messenger, Facebook, Inc.
2. FIFA 15 Ultimate Team by EA SP..., Electronic Arts
3. YouTube, Google, Inc.
4. Turbo Dismount, Secret Exit Ltd.
5. Pinterest, Pinterest, Inc.
6. Diamond Digger Saga, King.com Limited
7. Netflix, Netflix, Inc.
8. Facebook, Facebook, Inc.
9. Crazy Hair Salon - Pretty Girl..., Kids Fun Club by TabTale
10. Calculator for iPad Free, International Travel Weather Calculator

Top free iPhone apps

1. Swype - Keyboard, Nuance Communications
2. Five Nights at Freddy's, Scott Cawthon
3. Minecraft - Pocket Edition, Mojang
4. CooolKey - custom keyboards, c..., Pichak co.
5. Afterlight, Afterlight Collective, Inc
6. Heads Up!, Warner Bros.
7. Sleep Cycle alarm clock, Northcube AB
8. Goat Simulator, Coffee Stain Studios
9. Camera+, tap tap tap
10. Manual - Custom exposure camera, Little Pixels

Top paid iPad apps

1. Facebook Messenger, Facebook, Inc.
2. Facebook, Facebook, Inc.
3. TouchPal Keyboard - Theme, Swi..., TouchPal
4. Instagram, Instagram, Inc.
5. FIFA 15 Ultimate Team by EA SP..., Electronic Arts
6. YouTube, Google, Inc.
7. Snapchat, Snapchat, Inc.
8. Musify - Free Music Download -..., Alfadevs
9. Amazing Thief, Ketchapp
10. Pandora Radio, Pandora Media, Inc.

Top free iPad apps

1. Minecraft - Pocket Edition, Mojang
2. Five Nights at Freddy's, Scott Cawthon
3. Goat Simulator, Coffee Stain Studios
4. Swype - Keyboard, Nuance Communications
5. Notability, Ginger Labs
6. XtraMath, XtraMath
7. Terraria, 505 Games (US), Inc.
8. Geometry Dash, RobTop Games AB
9. Photon Flash Player for iPad -..., Appsverse Inc.
10. Survivalcraft, Igor Kalicinski

Top paid books

1. Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn - 9780307588388 - (Crown Publishing Group)
2. Killing Patton by Bill O'Reilly & Martin Dugard - 9780805096699 - (Henry Holt and Co.)
3. The Maze Runner by James Dashner - 9780375893773 - (Random House Children's Books)
4. The Best of Me by Nicholas Sparks - 9781455502547 - (Grand Central Publishing)
5 Personal by Lee Child - 9780804178761 - (Random House Publishing Group)
6. Edge of Eternity by Ken Follett - 9780698160576 - (Penguin Group US)
7. Outlander by Diana Gabaldon - 9780440335160 - (Random House Publishing Group)
8. The Scorch Trials by James Dashner - 9780375896118 - (Random House Children's Books)
9. Fifty Shades of Grey by E L James - 9781612130293 - (Knopf Doubleday Publishing Group)
10. Mean Streak by Sandra Brown - 9781455581139 - (Grand Central Publishing)

Top songs

1. All About That Bass, Meghan Trainor
2. Shake It Off, Taylor Swift
3. Bang Bang, Jessie J, Ariana Grande & Nicki Minaj
4. Habits (Stay High), Tove Lo
5. Black Widow (feat. Rita Ora), Iggy Azalea
6. Anaconda, Nicki Minaj
7. Rather Be (feat. Jess Glynne), Clean Bandit
8. I, Kendrick Lamar
9. Don't Tell 'Em (feat. YG), Jeremih
10. Trumpets, Jason Derulo

Source: Apple Inc.

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Associated Press

Protesters demonstrate across the street from the Comcast Center on Sept. 15 in Philadelphia. Demonstrators expressed opposition to the proposed merger of communications companies Comcast Corp. and Time Warner Cable Inc., and called for further Federal Communications Commission regulation of Internet traffic to support "net neutrality," advocates who want strong government protections for the open Internet.

5 questions, answers on 'net neutrality'

By Anne Flaherty
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Federal Communications Commission is considering whether Internet providers should be allowed to cut deals with online services like Netflix, Amazon or YouTube to move their content faster.

It's a topic that has attracted record-setting public attention. The agency received 3.7 million comments on the subject — more than double the number filed to the regulatory agency after Janet Jackson's infamous "wardrobe malfunction" at the 2004 Super Bowl.

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler — a former industry lobbyist and venture capitalist — says financial arrangements between broadband providers and content sites might be OK so long as the agreements are "commercially reasonable" and companies disclose publicly how they prioritize Internet traffic.

But not everyone agrees, with Netflix and much of the public accusing the FCC of handing the Internet over to the highest bidders.

Some questions and answers about the concept of "net neutrality."

Q: What is "net neutrality?"

Net neutrality is the idea that Internet service providers shouldn't block, manipulate or slow data moving across their networks. So long as content isn't against the law, such as child pornography or pirated music, a file posted on one site will load generally at the same speed as a similarly sized file on another site. Proponents say this concept is critical to encouraging innovation and competition because it means anyone can connect to the Internet and provide a service or content without having to get permission from broadband providers or pay extra.

Q: Doesn't everyone want a free and open Internet?

Yes, but not everyone agrees on how to define it. Major cable and telecom companies that sell Internet access often tout the benefits of an open Internet, saying they would lose business if their customers tried to access popular content and couldn't get it. Another problem would be retaliation. Verizon subsidiaries, for example, regularly send traffic over the networks of rival Internet service providers. It doesn't want to block or slow traffic any more than it wants to see its own traffic blocked or slowed, company officials have told regulators.

Having said that, Verizon and other broadband providers also want to ensure they have flexibility to think up new ways to package and sell Internet services. They say that's only fair, considering they are investing hundreds of billions of dollars into a network infrastructure that, so far, has prospered without much government intervention. How they would use that flexibility, though, isn't entirely clear.

Q: Why is this being debated now?

Last January, a federal court overturned key portions of an open Internet regulation put in place by the Federal Communications Commission in 2010. The court said the FCC

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Weighing right and wrong as technologies take hold

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It was not the Internet's finest hour.

On Aug. 31, the Web exploded with news that sets of nude photos featuring celebrities — including Oscar-winner Jennifer Lawrence, model Kate Upton and Kirsten Dunst — were being distributed on message boards including 4chan and Reddit.

The photos, taken on iPhones, were stolen, apparently hacked via Apple's iCloud service. It was a widespread theft of personal property that used the Internet for distribution.

People went and looked. By some estimates, as many as 250 million views were collected by Reddit alone over several days before a copyright order forced it to shut down threads containing the leaked images.

As with many events that happen quickly as technology races ahead and makes the unexpected possible, people acted before they thought things through. Internet pundits and celebrity trackers raced to see if the photos were real. Some even critiqued the photos on Twitter as if they were from pages in a style magazine. It wasn't until a day or two later, when many an outraged opinion blog post was published, that many of those people were forced to confront a simple fact: going to look at the photos was wrong. Illegal. A sex crime. Viewing them was unlikely to get anyone but the hackers arrested, but did that make participating in the hacking any less creepy?

The Internet had opened up a pathway for anyone to see something that wasn't meant to be seen. As right vs. wrong tests go, this one was pretty clear-cut. And millions upon millions of people failed.

Many ethical questions

When information is instantly available at a few key clicks, when the mobile device in your hand is capable of incredible photo and communication capabilities, certain temptations open up.

You could dig up information about a co-worker or someone you're dating, information readily available that the person would hope you never saw. You could take photos of someone in a public space without their knowledge and publish the images online, belittling their appearance or making lewd commentary. You could easily steal digital movies, TV shows and music.

But these are pre-technology problems. Theft and invasions of privacy were around long before dial-up connections. But the speed at which technology moves often baffles even our lawmakers and tech scholars. Are the rest of us, everyday users of tech, supposed to understand all the ethical implications of our gadget and Internet use?

Alexander Howard, a columnist at TechRepublic and frequent speaker on large-scale tech-policy issues, wrote in April about the ethical quandaries that new technologies can present and the challenges in applying existing ethics to how we handle them.

He argues that while technology can often complicate issues and that laws frequently lag

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Do customers pay by phone or just keep using plastic?

By Anick Jesdanun
Associated Press

■ REVIEW

NEW YORK — PayPal, Apple and others are betting on billions in mobile payments.

But so far, trying to use my phone to pay at restaurants and retailers has been frustrating. It's easier just to pull out my plastic credit card than to figure out which card works with which app and which app works with which store.

In theory, mobile-payment services such as Google Wallet are easy to use. You simply download an app and enter your card information. With Apple Pay, you can even snap a picture of the card or use the one you already use with Apple's iTunes. Then, when you're ready to pay, you typically hold your phone near the store's payment terminal. The transaction is authorized through a special wireless chip embedded in many Android phones and — in the case of Apple Pay — the new iPhone 6 and 6 Plus. PayPal and Square use a different method, but the idea is the same. There's no need to look for the right card in your wallet or purse.

In practice, the process isn't so smooth. I have several payment apps taking up space on my phone. I open them only when I need a reminder of why they are so frustrating. After all, whipping out a credit or debit card isn't so time-consuming, though it is a pain when I lose a card or leave it at home. It would be nice not to have to carry them around.

So what do PayPal, Apple, Google and others need to do to get me to leave my wallet at home?

■ Get more stores and restaurants to install the equipment to let me pay by phone.

I once considered spending a week trying to pay for all my meals with my phone. I'd starve. I could get a burger at McDonald's or a reheated hot dog at 7-Eleven. Mom-and-pop shops typically don't have the right equipment. It's convenient to have these apps on my phone only if I have somewhere to use them.

With the launch of Apple Pay this month, several retail chains plan to start accepting such payments or expand the ability to do so. Having millions of iPhones capable of making such transactions will give smaller merchants an incentive to upgrade their equipment, too. And sandwich chain Subway said Wednesday that it's now upgraded all of its locations with mobile pay service Softcard, a joint venture of AT&T, T-Mobile and Verizon Wireless. If more merchants really start supporting mobile pay, then I might feel comfortable leaving my cards at home.

But ...

■ Figure out how to make every card work.

Most places take Visa and MasterCard, and many take American Express, too. Not so with mobile services. Where you can shop depends on which card you have.

If you plan to use Softcard to buy a sandwich at Subway, you better have an Amex or a bank card issued by Chase or Wells Fargo. Otherwise, you need to get a prepaid account through American Express and keep filling it with cash. Apple Pay will face a similar challenge, though it already has deals in place with most major banks, including all three of mine.

Here PayPal seems to be the winner so far, as it works with just about any card, as well as direct withdrawals from your checking or savings account. I was excited when PayPal's app told me I could use it at an Indian restaurant I frequent for lunch.

Except...

■ Even when you think you can pay by phone, sometimes you can't.

That Indian restaurant didn't know what I was talking about when I pulled out the phone to pay. Turned out that feature was limited to ordering takeout and delivery through a third-party ordering service.

I briefly tried a payment system called LevelUp because it offered discounts for frequent visits. But when I returned to a pita place where I was racking up discount points, I learned the restaurant had dismantled LevelUp because few people were using it. So long to my points. Likewise, 7-Eleven has been phasing out support for existing mobile payment services while it partners on developing its own system.

OK. Let's say it's a perfect world and every card works everywhere. There will still be two challenges ...

■ Typing in a PIN code takes time.

Once again, it's easier just to pull out plastic, especially as many transactions don't even require signatures. The fingerprint ID sensors in iPhones and Samsung's Galaxy phones will help. I'm more willing to tap a finger on a home button.

■ People will need to be comfortable with digitally storing multiple credit card numbers and flashing them all around town.

The truth is, these apps are often more secure than plastic cards and their decades-old magnetic technology. Apple Pay, for instance, doesn't actually store your credit card number, but rather a substitute one that works only with that phone. If a merchant's network gets hacked, as seen with recent breaches at Target and Home Depot, the hacker would need to have physical possession of your phone to use that substitute number. And if you lose your device, no one can take it on a shopping spree because it won't work without your PIN code or fingerprint ID. You can easily disable your payments account remotely, too.

Then again, many customers like me aren't that afraid of hacks. Banks typically offer zero-liability protection, so you owe nothing for fraudulent charges, even if you do something stupid like leave your card at a bar overnight.

So until I don't have to wonder when I run out for dinner or hop in a cab if my card is going to be accepted, I'll likely keep paying with plastic.

Closer look: Stream-box gaming is a mixed bag

■ REVIEW

By Ron Harris
Associated Press

Associated Press

This Sept. 29 photo shows the Amazon Fire TV, a product for streaming popular video services, apps and games in high-definition, in Decatur, Ga. Several popular game titles, including "Minecraft-Pocket Edition," are available for Fire TV, which runs on an operating system based on Google's Android OS.

ATLANTA — As gaming consoles such as the Xbox and the PlayStation diversify into video, social media and other non-gaming apps, it seems only fair that streaming TV devices start nudging into gaming territory.

Amazon's Fire TV and the Roku 3 both offer a multitude of games, alongside apps to stream video on the big television screen from services such as Netflix and Hulu. The game offerings — some free, some for a fee — are a mixed bag thus far, ranging from solid to silly.

Here's a look at the experience for both:

■ Amazon Fire TV ($99; optional game controller $40):

The Fire TV is an ideal type of multimedia streaming box to bring gaming to the living room. It has a quad-core processor and a dedicated graphics chip to speed up gaming visuals. It pumps all that out in high definition at 1080p.

Games such as "Riptide GP2" and "The Walking Dead" are graphically pleasing, with engaging action and fast-responding controls. These aren't merely dumbed-down versions of games for other systems, such as personal computers and Microsoft's Xbox One. The top-tier titles on Fire TV play as smoothly as they do elsewhere.

The games are affordably priced, too, starting at 99 cents and going as high as $10 for such games as "Castle of Illusion Starring Mickey Mouse." Most of the paid games are $3. You can usually use the regular controller that comes with the Fire TV, but the $40 game controller, with thumb sticks and trigger buttons, is a necessity for the best action games.

Because the Fire TV uses a version of Google's Android system, you're also getting a slew of casual games. Game developers, however, tweak their apps and make them available through Amazon's app store, so you're not getting everything available on Android phones.

The game categories to choose from include action, adventure, board games and kids, but not all of them have a substantial library. For instance, the kids category has only five titles. That's pretty paltry. It's something Amazon might want to address if it wants Fire TV gaming to take off.

Duds such as a Dracula-themed video pinball game are a waste of space. The initial download is free, but the game will try to nibble you to spend 99 cents apiece for pinball theme add-ons. Most importantly, the game play has an awful amount of lag. The flippers don't flip the instant you press the buttons on the remote, making it frustrating to time your shots at all.

In all, the Fire TV is a great choice for streaming video. The gaming component doesn't embarrass itself, but it doesn't excel either. If Amazon can lure a few more top-flight game developers, Fire TV could become more appealing to enthusiastic part-time gamers.

■ Roku 3 ($99):

The Roku 3 device offers a ton of games, but they range from very good to downright awful. It leans heavily toward casual gaming, meaning puzzle and word games with an occasional faster action title thrown in.

For instance, I had a great time playing "Angry Birds" on the Roku 3 using its Wii-like motion-sensing remote, which is included. I've played "Angry Birds" on many phones, tablets and traditional computers, and this beats them all. I simply held down the "OK" button on the remote and stretched the bird back on the slingshot by pointing the remote to the left. It's intuitive and beautifully displayed in 1080p high definition.

I went to the games channel on the Roku 3 to see the available titles and found most of them priced at $1.99. I'm willing to experiment at that price, enduring a few bad games to find a couple of winners. But some of those puzzle and word games look, feel and play awfully dated. I do praise Roku for stocking a 99-cent version of the old-school classic "Rogue."

I settled in for a demo session of "Pathogen 2." Level One started with me flying a little spaceship inside the patient's femoral artery and trying to shoot down green gobs of pathogens. It's like "Asteroids" but with molecules. I quickly finished the first two levels and then got the nag screen asking me to pony up cash for additional levels. It blatantly asks, "Why would you deprive yourself for less than a buck?"

And that really is the key with much of the game selection on the Roku 3. Pricing something at 99 cents — or even $1.99 — often made me think, "Why not?"

All of this makes Roku 3 at best a delivery system for casual games. Roku has only 86 games available and needs more heavy-hitter titles alongside "Angry Birds" to truly compete against the Fire TV's 365 titles, or for that matter my Android smartphone.

MIT, Twitter team up on $10M social media project

Associated Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — The Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Twitter are teaming up on a $10 million project to better understand social networks and figure out new ways to benefit from them.

As part of the five-year partnership, Twitter will provide full access to its real-time, public stream of tweets, as well as the archive of every tweet ever posted.

The new Laboratory for Social Machines based at MIT's Media Lab will focus on the development of new technologies to make sense of patterns across the broad span of mass media and social media.

"The Laboratory for Social Machines will experiment in areas of public communication and social organization where humans and machines collaborate on problems that can't be solved manually or through automation alone," said Deb Roy, an associate professor at the Media Lab who will lead the Laboratory for Social Machines and who also serves as Twitter's chief media scientist.

The goal is not just to understand how people think and use social media but also how networks can be used to increase accountability and transparency and gauge public opinion.

"With this investment, Twitter is seizing the opportunity to go deeper into research to understand the role Twitter and other platforms play in the way people communicate, the effect that rapid and fluid communication can have and apply those findings to complex societal issues," CEO Dick Costolo said.

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had "failed to cite any statutory authority" to keep broadband providers from blocking or discriminating against content.

That ruling sent the FCC back to the drawing board. Until the FCC can agree on new regulations that satisfy the court's requirements, Internet service providers could block or discriminate against content moving across their networks with impunity.

Q: What's on the table?

Last May, FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler released a proposal that leaves the door open for paid agreements between Internet service providers and content providers — also called "paid prioritization" — so long as the agreements are "commercially reasonable." Wheeler says the FCC would step in if broadband providers act unfairly, such as providing favored access to a subsidiary.

Wheeler said he was trying to follow guidelines suggested by the court, and invited the public to comment on whether these paid arrangements should be banned altogether.

Internet activists don't like the idea because they say it gives too much power to Internet service providers and would create "fast lanes." They say the FCC should reclassify the Internet as a public utility under Title II of the 1934 Communications Act to ensure it has enough power to regulate the Internet effectively.

Title II classification is exactly what Verizon and other providers don't want. They say it would subject them to onerous regulations that would stifle investment into infrastructure at a time when the Internet is still growing.

Some Democrats have proposed legislation that would ban paid prioritization outright.

Q: What happens next?

The FCC is still sifting through the record-setting 3.7 million comments filed by the public before the Sept. 15 deadline. In the meantime, the agency is hosting several "roundtables" to hear from stakeholders, and lawmakers have convened hearings on Capitol Hill.

One big question is whether the FCC will subject mobile networks to the same rules. The FCC's 2010 rules for an open Internet only applied to wired Internet access and exempted mobile networks. But that might not make as much sense considering the explosion in wireless devices in recent years.

While FCC officials had hoped to wrap up the issue by year's end, the large public response is likely to push any decision into next year.

Texas A&M opens shelves in joint library project

By Sam Peshek
The Eagle

BRYAN — When books are cleared off of the shelves in university library stacks across Texas by the thousands, they have to go somewhere or else they could be ground to a pulp and recycled.

That "somewhere" is a sand-colored concrete building on Texas A&M's Riverside campus called the Joint Library Facility, a cost- and space-saving collaboration between the Texas A&M University and University of Texas libraries, where almost 300,000 print texts call home.

Joint Library Facilities Director Wyoma vanDuinkerken said the year-old, $6.3 million, 18,000-square-foot facility has become the go-to for print material storage for more than 27 universities across the state as libraries look to free up space on growing campuses to make more room for students.

"What's great about this facility is the cost savings," vanDuinkerken told The Eagle of Bryan-College Station. "It gives the space that the students need in the libraries. The students are wanting to use more electronics, there is still a need for print, but at the same time it's not being used as heavily, so now they're sending books to a place like this where we can keep it for future researchers and still make the space we need in the library stacks."

The facility as it stands can store up to one million volumes, but it has the potential to expand by an additional two million.

VanDuinkerken and other library faculty went around the country to look at other facilities to build the ideal storage system.

"There are other facilities like this that exist, so we were able to go visit other facilities to see what they did well, what they didn't do well and distill it down to what we think is the best system here," Texas A&M Libraries Marketing Manager Patrick Zinn said.

VanDuinkerken said that storing a single volume in a traditional library stack costs an estimated $4.26 per year by taking in account staffing, lighting, heating and cooling costs. Because the storage facility is intended to store books and not entertain students, it brings the cost down to 86 cents per book.

Thousands of volumes of books are not just dropped off at the facility's doorsteps and placed onto shelves. VanDuinkerken and her team of three faculty and five student workers have built an intricate system around barcodes and computers that allows them to store and pull the books off shelves with efficiency.

"The day of the call number is over for storage facilities," vanDuinkerken said.

Once a week, the facility receives a shipment of at least 10 wood pallets containing an estimated 6,000 volumes of books packed into cardboard boxes. The books are then taken out of the boxes, sized, stamped with a barcode on the front cover, scanned, placed in an appropriately sized

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in their ability to keep up with changes, it's not impossible to determine what to do with our existing notions of right and wrong.

"We're just being faced with our old ethical decisions in new contexts," Howard said in a phone interview. "The challenge we now face with different technologies and the power they carry with them is to choose where we put our attention and think through the consequences. Does something become more ethical because it's easier to do?"

As an example, Howard says it may not be long before law enforcement has access to technology that can better detect brain changes and thought patterns, creating evidence out of a person's thoughts.

"What if your brain betrays you because you're hooked up to a piece of technology?" Howard asked.

And does it betray our ethics as a society to allow such technology to be used?

Today, is it wrong to post online a cellphone video of someone in distress on the street rather than helping the person? What about downloading a leaked music album against an artist's wishes that is already widely available? You're unlikely to get caught, but isn't that stealing?

And does having these tools when others do not give us more power to abuse others? Do we really understand the spiderweb of effects that happen when we choose to invade a person's privacy or to impersonate someone online?

"It's always critical to remember, the choices people are making are aided and abetted by technology. They're still the ones making the choice," Howard said. "There's still a human being looking at a given situation and deciding to do X."

Teachable ethics

A problem for younger users of the Internet and mobile devices is that if parents barely understand these technologies, they're ill-equipped to educate them on the dangers and implications of their actions.

Teaching right and wrong may seem simple, but when it involves issues of privacy vs. freedom of speech or, say, ownership of digital goods, even experts don't always have all the answers.

"The smartest people I know are still finding their ways through these issues," Howard said. "They're wanting to protect us against our worst nature."

It could be that the tools exist to help, but many aren't aware of them or choose to ignore the deliberation it takes to make the right choice.

In April, the Markkula Center for Applied Ethics at Santa Clara University released an iPhone app called "Ethical Decision Making." It's a mobile version of a tool developed in the 1980s when the center was founded, intended for anybody to use.

Using the app, you can run practically any ethical dilemma through a step-by-step process based on frameworks from education, philosophy and religion.

The app asks questions such as, "Does this action produce the most good and do the least harm for all who are affected?" and "Does this option lead me to act as the sort of person I want to be?" Sliders in the app allow the user to gauge their decision using scales such as "more just" and "less just."

In the end, a score is determined on a scale of 100. A 40, for instance, means it's probably not a great idea and you should modify your choice or try another option.

Miriam Schulman, associate director of the Markkula Center, said the app is a way to reach out to a younger generation, and so far is has been downloaded about 4,250 times.

She said the reaction has been mixed. Some online critics, she said, worried the app might trivialize a complicated process. She said, however, "We're an applied ethics center. If you really want to make an impact on average people, you have to talk to average people in a language they can use.

"I always figure more ethical awareness is better than no ethical awareness," she said.

Schulman said in her experience, ethics can lag a bit behind new technologies, but this has always been true. "When anaesthesia was introduced, a lot of people raised ethical questions that now would seem outright weird. It takes a while for society to catch up and think through what the ethical implications are going to be."

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Using each two- and three-letter word just once, combine a word in the left column with a word in the right column. Then rearrange each five-letter scramble to form a word that begins with an M, A or L and write it into the appropriate space below.

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Yesterday's Answer: BOLIVIA, BULGARIA, BURUNDI, PAKISTAN

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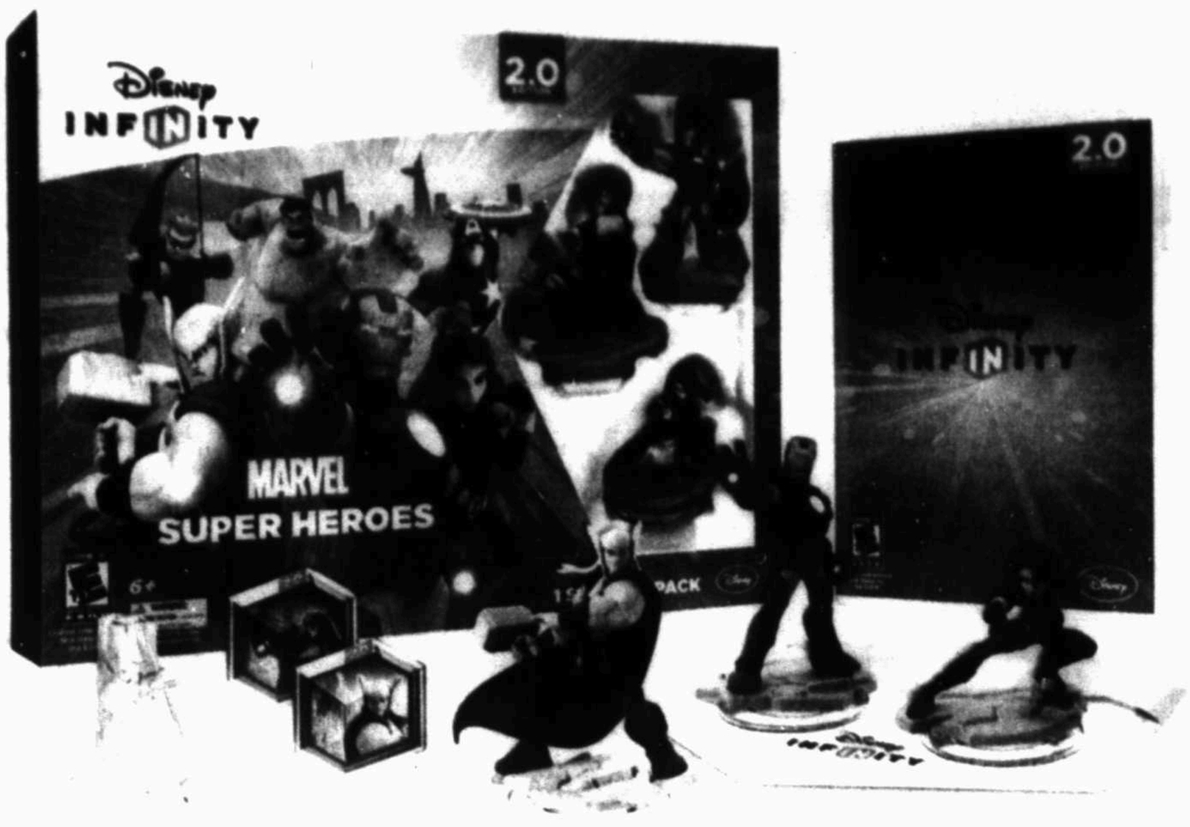

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This product image released by Disney Interactive shows the box art and accompanying figurines; Thor, from left, Iron Man and Black Widow, from the "Disney Infinity 2.0: Marvel Super Heroes," game.

Avengers assemble in 'Disney Infinity 2.0'

By Lou Kesten
Associated Press

■ REVIEW

For kids today, there's no escaping The Walt Disney Co. Even if Mickey Mouse, "Toy Story" and all the Disney princesses leave you cold, the company also owns Marvel Comics, the Star Wars franchise and the Muppets. The jocks on your block are probably hooked on Disney's ESPN.

The "Infinity" project is Disney's attempt to link all its characters in one shared video-game world. (Well, maybe not ESPN; there's no digitized Chris Berman, yet.) Last year's "Disney Infinity" blended Pixar creations like The Incredibles with live-action stars like Capt. Jack Sparrow of "Pirates of the Caribbean."

This year, the company adds its lucrative comic book properties to the fray with "Disney Infinity 2.0: Marvel Super Heroes" (for the Xbox One, PlayStation 4, Xbox 360, PlayStation 3, Wii U, $74.99). The starter kit includes figures of Iron Man, Thor and Black Widow, as well as a clear plastic model of Avengers Tower.

To play, you plug the provided Infinity Base into your game console, then park a hero and the tower on the base. That opens up Marvel's version of Manhattan, which has been besieged by frost monsters controlled by Thor's rakish brother, Loki. Each hero has different powers: Thor has his mighty hammer, for example, while Iron Man can blast villains with his chest-mounted "unibeam."

The missions get somewhat repetitive — go to this location and beat up monsters — but it's fun to switch heroes and try different approaches. And each hero has a complex skill tree that lets you add and enhance superpowers as you progress through the campaign. The starter kit also includes two "power discs" that present brief adventures in Thor's home, Asgard, and the "Guardians of the Galaxy" universe.

If you are more into creating than destroying, the "Infinity" Toy Box provides all the virtual buildings, furniture and other objects you need to stock your own pocket universe. It's streamlined enough that kids can jump right in and start building; those who are more ambitious can design their own minigames and post them online.

The starter kit provides enough activity to keep kids busy for months, but there are also separate Spider-Man and "Guardians of the Galaxy" play sets ($39.99 each). You can buy individual figures, including Captain America, Hulk, Rocket Raccoon and Groot for $15 apiece, and you can play with all the original "Infinity" characters from last year in the 2.0 Toy Box. And you can invest in more power discs (two for $5), which give your heroes more costumes, vehicles and weapons.

On the scale of contemporary superhero games, "Infinity 2.0" falls somewhere between Warner Bros.' excellent, grungy Batman "Arkham" titles and Activision's dispiriting run of flaccid Spider-Man adventures. It's closest in spirit to WB's "Lego Marvel Super Heroes" from last year, sharing that game's glee in lighthearted destruction. Young Marvel maniacs will love it, even as their parents wince over how much all those sweet action figures are going to cost. Three stars out of four.

Ambitious 'Destiny' lacks imagination

By Lou Kesten
Associated Press

■ REVIEW

Midway through "Destiny," the new science fiction epic from "Halo" creators Bungie, a smug prince is musing on the hero's desire to visit a mysterious site on Mars.

"You want to turn it into a battleground," the prince sneers. "How unimaginative."

It's exactly the thought that nagged me when I was playing "Destiny" (Activision, for the Xbox One, PlayStation 4, Xbox 360, PlayStation 3, $59.99). It's an ambitious project for Bungie, creating several gorgeous, radically different worlds to explore. But your goal is always the same: Go kill everybody.

Of course, that's been the mission statement of most sci-fi games since "Halo" first stormed the planets in 2001, propelling hit series like "Gears of War," "Borderlands" and "Killzone." "Destiny" seemed to promise something more — but, if anything, it's a setback from "Halo," which at least provided compelling motivation for all the mayhem.

"Destiny" takes place in the far future, long after an alien "Traveler" arrived in the solar system and helped humans colonize other planets. Unfortunately, the Traveler was followed by a "Darkness" determined to lay waste to all its achievements. As the game begins, you're trying to defend the last city of Earth from oblivion.

You "Guardian" can be male or female, and one of three races: human, exo (humanoid machines) or awoken (a lot like humans, but with bluish skin). There are also three classes — the heavily armored Titan, the more agile Hunter or the magic-slinging Warlock — though all three have access to the usual assortment of rifles, shotguns and rocket launchers.

Each sphere in the "Destiny" solar system is infested with a different breed of weapon-wielding pests. The insectoid Fallen run rampant on decrepit old Earth, while the undead Hive has burrowed deep into the Moon. The lush, green Venus has been taken over by the robotic Vex, while dusty, red Mars is home to the rhinoceros-like Cabal.

The scenarios fall into a familiar rhythm: You explore an area at ease until you reach a choke point occupied by enemies — some stronger than others, but mostly cannon fodder for your Guardian. After wiping them out, you repeat the process a few times until you finally face off against one particularly stubborn adversary. The settings and opponents change, but the predictability is wearying.

Shooting games don't have to be this way. Bethesda's "Wolfenstein: The New Order" delivered far more variety, not to mention a story and characters you could care about. By the end of the "Destiny" campaign, I felt like the floating robot voiced by "Game of Thrones" star Peter Dinklage, who sounds hopelessly bored despite humanity's impending demise.

If you'd rather shoot other human-controlled Guardians online, you'll get much more mileage out of the game's "Crucible" mode, which offers the usual death match and capture-the-flag free-for-alls. Or you can team up with other gamers in strikes and raids against supertough monsters. Technically, it's all quite impressive — but, again, unimaginative. Two stars out of four.

PROJECT

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acid-free cardboard tray and onto a cart.

Once a cardboard tray is filled with books of the same size, a cart filled with more trays is taken into the warehouse facility protected by an automatic fireproof door. A barcode on one of the 20-foot-high shelves is scanned by a forklift operator, and the book is tucked away for storage.

Each book in storage is one of a kind, as there is no duplication in the facility. Partnering universities can claim the same volume as a common resource, which helps free additional space in library stacks. "If you're looking for a book, I cannot only tell you what shelf it's on, but what tray it's on and I can tell you where this tray is on the shelf," vanDuinkerken said.

If a student at A&M, Texas or their system schools wishes to retrieve a whole book or just a chapter in the facility's storage, it can be recalled through the facility's database.

A student can access the online catalogue, search for the title of a book, click the "get it for me" button, fill out a book request that goes into an interlibrary loan software, where a staff member will pull the book, scan it and send it to the school of the student who requested it.

The facility serves as a storage unit for rarely used books, but gained a new role as savior of valuable print texts with the rescue of a collection of 160,000 medical volumes from University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, which vanDuinkerken said are valued in excess of $1 million.

"They were told to close their medical library stacks and only keep 2,000 volumes. We moved heaven and earth to save this collection. It is the most pristine medical science collection in the state of Texas," she said.

"The medical community was extremely pleased with us and this library in particular called us their superheroes," vanDuinkerken said. "The entire collection would have been pulped. I don't think people realized there would be these kinds of opportunities when this facility was built but since it arose so quickly it is clear to us that one of the other values of having this facility is to just save collections."

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PAID CONTENT

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Pennyrich owner Sharon Wilcox has a special offer this month—10 percent off your total purchase, excluding breast forms. The shop is at 311 Dodson Street.

Breast cancer month specials at Pennyrich

Every two minutes a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States. On the positive side, there are more than three million breast cancer survivors in the nation.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and since The Pennyrich Shop focuses on mastectomy products, owner Sharon Wilcox has a special offer for October.

During this month you can save 10 percent off your total purchase (excluding breast forms).

Sharon reminds all women to get a mammogram on the schedule recommended by their physician. And if there is a diagnosis of breast cancer, be *sure* to get a second, or even a third opinion because often a slightly different angle can give more complete information.

If a mastectomy is necessary, Pennyrich has the necessary supplies, including prostheses, mastectomy bras and swimsuits.

Some mastectomy patients may consider a prosthesis to be a purely cosmetic item, but Sharon assures everyone that there is much more. "A woman's shoulders muscles are made to carry the weight of breasts, and without a prosthesis a woman can have balance issues," Sharon explains. "Even regarding the cosmetic issue, a prosthesis can restore a woman's self-image and self-esteem, both of which can have positive effects on overall health.

The Pennyrich Shop is also the place to shop for swimsuits, bras, corsets and other under undergarments.

And remember, you can save 10 percent off your total purchases (excluding breast forms) during the month of October.

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Royals complete sweep of Angels to reach ALCS

By Dave Skretta
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Kansas City wins series, 3-0

Inside

The Baltimore Orioles finished off the Detroit Tigers in Game 3 of the other ALDS series.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Kansas City Royals waited nearly three decades to return to the postseason. Now that they're here, they want to stick around for a while.

Alex Gordon hit a bases-clearing double in the first inning, Eric Hosmer and Mike Moustakas each homered and the wild-card Royals finished off a three-game sweep of the mighty Los Angeles Angels with an emphatic 8-3 victory Sunday night in the AL Division Series.

The scrappy team with the quirky manager, popgun offense, dynamic defense and lights-out bullpen will open the AL Championship Series against the Orioles beginning Friday night in Baltimore. Kansas City went 4-3 against the O's this year.

"I've never seen this group of kids so confident on the big stage," Royals manager Ned Yost said. "It's really fun to see their development and watch them come into the postseason and just really take their game to the next level."

The Angels, 98-64 in the regular season, became the second team in the divisional era that began in 1969 to have the best record in the majors and get swept out of the playoffs, STATS said. In no small coincidence, the Royals dealt the same humiliating fate to the New York Yankees in the 1980 ALCS.

Stalking around the mound amid an electric atmosphere, James Shields lived up to his "Big Game James" billing. The Royals' ace gave up homers to Mike Trout and Albert Pujols, but otherwise held in check a suddenly punchless Los Angeles lineup

Shields was helped, too, by a pair

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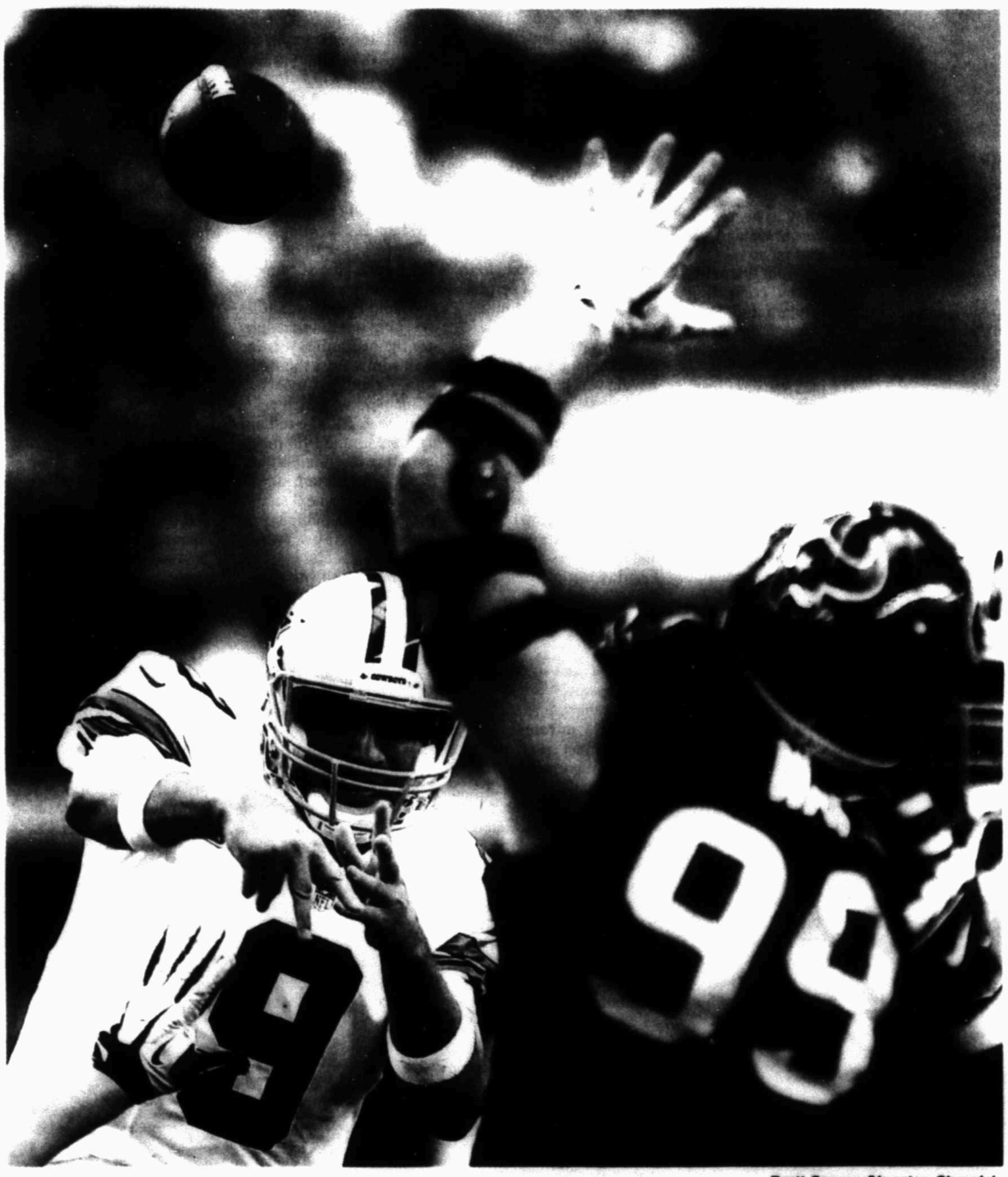
Charlie Riedel/AP

Kansas City Royals center fielder Lorenzo Cain (6) and left fielder Alex Gordon (4) celebrate after Cain made a leaping catch Sunday during the fifth inning of Game 3 of the AL Division Series in Kansas City, Mo.

Cowboys escape Texans



Brett Coomer/Houston Chronicle

Dallas quarterback Tony Romo (9) throws a pass over the outstretched arm of Houston defensive end J.J. Watt (99) during the third quarter Sunday at AT&T Stadium in Arlington.

Romo, Bryant carry Dallas past Houston

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

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ARLINGTON — Tony Romo took a few extra moments on the ground, right arm raised to celebrate a long touchdown pass after he escaped what looked like a sure sack for J.J. Watt.

Then, when the 34-year-old quarterback playing with a surgically repaired back made another off-balance throw under pressure in overtime, Dez Bryant's spectacular catch saved the Dallas Cowboys from a late meltdown.

Bryant's jump-ball grab set up Dan Bailey's winning 49-yard field goal, and the Cowboys bounced back from blowing a 10-point lead late in fourth quarter to beat the Houston Texans 20-17 on Sunday.

"Just got to come down with it, come down with it," said Bryant, who had game highs with nine catches and 85 yards. "That's something I always tell Tony. If the ball is in the air, I'm going to try my best to come down with it."

After the Texans scored twice in the last 2:27 of regulation, Bailey's miss

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RALPH D. RUSSO
Associated Press

After wild weekend, losers have time to rebound

Time to break down the ballots for the AP Top 25 and wrap up college football's sixth weekend.

Feeling blue Crimson Tide fan? Sulking about the Sooners? Far from ducky after Oregon's loss? Worried the Bruins have gone bust?

We're here to help.

After a wild weekend, some advice for the forlorn fan: Don't panic. There's plenty of time to recover and win over the hearts and minds of the College Football Playoff selection committee. Condoleezza Rice and the boys don't put out their first rankings until Oct. 28.

The Associated Press Top 25 will have to do for now, and that got turned upside down after Shake-up Saturday — which actually started Thursday night. It was that kind of week.

Only two teams maintained their spots from last week: No. 1 Florida State, which must have been having a pretty good chuckle as so many teams considered threats to the Seminoles' national championship crown went down, and No. 13 Georgia.

Five of the top eight teams in the rankings lost, a first since the poll went to 25 spots in 1989. A rundown of the damage:

- Oregon dropped 10 spots after losing 31-24 at home to Arizona on Thursday night.
- Alabama dropped four spots to No. 7 after losing 23-17 at Mississippi.
- Oklahoma dropped seven spots to No. 11 after losing 37-33 at TCU.
- Texas A&M dropped eight spots to No. 14 after losing 48-31 at Mississippi State.
- UCLA dropped 10 spots to No. 18 after losing 30-28 at home to Utah.

Misery loves company, and the Ducks now have plenty. When so many heavyweights hit the mat at once, it takes some of the sting out of those upsets. It's now more likely multiple teams that have lost will reach the four-team playoff.

"There are several teams around here who have lost games and responded the right way. And they went on to have pretty good seasons," Tide coach Nick Saban said.

Oregon, Alabama, Oklahoma and UCLA all began the season ranked in the top seven.

Let's leave A&M out of this for now and take a look a brief look at where those four stand and their chances of making a playoff run.

Oregon: The biggest problem for the Ducks is an offensive line that has

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Logano wins at Kansas to advance in title race

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Joey Logano grabbed the first berth into the next round of NASCAR's championship race with a victory Sunday at Kansas Speedway.

Logano's win advanced him into the third round of the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship, which begins after stops at Charlotte and Talladega. Four drivers will be cut from the 12-driver field after Talladega.

"Getting us to the next round, that's awesome," Logano said. "This is so much fun, I'm having a blast this year, and we've got a real shot to win this championship. I feel like we're one of the teams to beat."

It was Logano's career-best fifth win of the season and ties with him Team Penske teammate Brad Keselowski for most in the Sprint Cup Series.

Kyle Larson — who is not part of the Chase — finished second and was followed by championship-eligible driver Kyle Busch, who finished a career-best third at a track where he has continuously seen his title hopes fall apart.

"I won today," Busch said, "I just didn't get champagne and a trophy."

Kansas is noted for destroying the championship chances of many a driver, and Sunday saw four Chase drivers finish 22nd or worse. That included three of the Hendrick Motorsports cars — and six-time and defending NASCAR champion Jimmie Johnson.

Johnson, who spun during Friday qualifying and started 32nd, was mired in thick traffic when he was hit by Greg Biffle just 85 laps into the race. He was forced to take his Chevrolet to the garage for repairs and finished 40th.

"It just means we've got to be on our game at Charlotte and Talladega," Johnson said. "We'll see how

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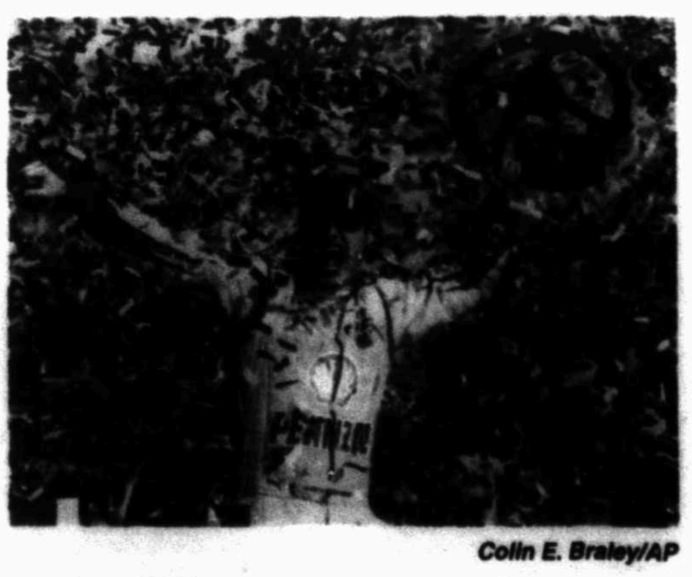

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Joey Logano celebrates his victory in the Hollywood Casino 400 at Kansas Speedway on Sunday in Kansas City, Kan.

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ON THE AIR

TODAY

WHAT'S ON TV

MLB

ALDS Game 4, Orioles at Tigers, Noon, TBS

NLDS Game 3, Nationals at Giants, 3 p.m., FS1/FOXDEP

ALDS Game 4, Angels at Royals, 6 p.m., TBS

NLDS Game 3, Dodgers at Cardinals, 9:30 p.m., MLB

NBA

Exhibition: 76ers at Celtics, 6:30 p.m., NBATV

Exhibition: Nuggets at Lakers, 9 p.m., NBATV

NFL

Seahawks at Redskins, 7:30 p.m., ESPN/ESPNDEP

TENNIS

ATP: Shanghai Masters, Midnight, TENNIS

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY

COLLEGE SOCCER

Men, UTPB at Lubbock Christian, 2:30 p.m.

Women, UTPB at Lubbock Christian, Noon

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

AP TOP 25

	Record	Pts	Pv
1 Florida St (35)	5-0	1,461	1
2 Auburn (23)	5-0	1,459	5
3 Mississippi	5-0	1,320	11
3 Mississippi St (7)	5-0	1,320	12
5 Baylor	5-0	1,258	7
6 Notre Dame	5-0	1,186	9
7 Alabama	4-1	1,060	3
8 Michigan St	4-1	981	10
9 TCU	4-0	979	25
10 Arizona	5-0	951	NR
11 Oklahoma	4-1	904	4
12 Oregon	4-1	888	2
13 Georgia	4-1	854	13
14 Texas A&M	5-1	731	6
15 Ohio St	4-1	534	20
16 Oklahoma St	4-1	527	21
17 Kansas St	4-1	486	23
18 UCLA	4-1	460	8
19 East Carolina	4-1	344	22
20 Arizona St	4-1	325	NR
21 Nebraska	5-1	283	19
22 Georgia Tech	5-0	235	NR
23 Missouri	4-1	212	24
24 Utah	4-1	206	NR
25 Stanford	3-2	143	14

Others receiving votes: Clemson 92, Marshall 78, Southern Cal 61, Louisville 36, LSU 35, BYU 26, West Virginia 18, Arkansas 14, Wisconsin 7, California 6, Penn St 5, Kentucky 4, Rutgers 4, N. Dakota St 3, Minnesota 2, South Carolina 1, Virginia 1.

AMWAY TOP 25 POLL

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1 Florida State (44)	5-0	1505	2
2 Auburn (16)	5-0	1477	5
3 Baylor (1)	5-0	1372	6
4 Mississippi	5-0	1308	11
5 Notre Dame	5-0	1269	8
6 Mississippi State	5-0	1237	14
7 Alabama	4-1	1065	1
8 Michigan State	4-1	1062	10
9 Oklahoma	4-1	929	3
10 Georgia	4-1	898	12
11 Oregon	4-1	897	4
12 TCU	4-0	865	25
13 Arizona	5-0	743	NR
14 Texas A&M	5-1	706	7
15 Ohio State	4-1	645	18
16 Kansas State	4-1	567	22
17 UCLA	4-1	483	9
18 Oklahoma State	4-1	479	23
19 East Carolina	4-1	451	21
20 Arizona State	4-1	354	24
21 Nebraska	5-1	261	17
22 Stanford	3-2	241	13
23 Georgia Tech	5-0	240	NR
24 Missouri	4-1	182	NR
25 Clemson	3-2	138	NR

Others receiving votes: Marshall 86, Utah 80, LSU 75, Louisville 36, Wisconsin 36, Southern California 28, Brigham Young 16, Minnesota 13, Duke 12, Washington 12, Kentucky 11, West Virginia 8, Arkansas 6, Texas 6, Memphis 5, California 4, Penn State 1, Rutgers 1.

TRANSACTIONS

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ARIZONA COYOTES — Signed F Laurent Dauphin to a three-year, entry-level contract.

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Assigned F Peter Regin and G Michael Leighton to Rockford (AHL).

EDMONTON OILERS — Reassigned Gs Frans Tuohimaa to Bakersfield (ECHL) and Tyson Remmer from Oklahoma City (AHL) to Bakersfield.

FLORIDA PANTHERS — Released G Clarke Saunders. D Martin Lee and F Andrew Huff from amateur tryout contracts.

MONTREAL CANADIENS — Traded G Peter Budaj and F Patrick Holland to Winnipeg for F Eric Tangradi.

ST. LOUIS BLUES — Reassigned G Niklas Lundstrom, C Zach Pochiro, LW Ryan Texeira and RW Jacob Doty from Chicago (AHL) to Alaska (ECHL).

WINNIPEG JETS — Reassigned F Nic Petan to Halifax (QMHL). D Josh Morrissey to Prince Albert (WHL). F Nic Petan to Portland (WHL) and F Patrick Holland and D Ben Chaffee and Keaton Ellerby to St. John's (AHL). Released G Danny Taylor.

BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS — Loaned D Keith Seabrook to Philipp Tudeau and Fs Max Pacioretty, Adam Phillips and Peter Swab to Worcester (ECHL).

CHICAGO WOLVES — Added Ds Colin Fraser and Peter Mueller, RW Cody Beach, G Matt Climie and D Sheldon Brookbank to the roster. Added G Mike Clemente to Missouri (CHL). Released Ds Phillippe Fix, Sean Dolan, Mike Lenhart, Ryan Grantham, Charles Lachance and Brett Lyon and Ws Sam Drummond, Chris Kreitzman and Nicholas Rossi.

MILWAUKEE ADMIRALS — Assigned G Rob Madore to Cincinnati (ECHL).

ECHL

READING ROYALS — Added F Liam Reed to the training camp roster. Released G Nick Nedert, LW Mark Mealey and D Josh Kemmerer and F Ryan Dzingel from their tryout agreements.

COLLEGE

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE — Fined Mississippi State and Kentucky $25,000 after their fans stormed the football fields. Lowered the fines.

TCU — Announced the retirement of football coach Gary Patterson after end of the season.

American Hockey League

GLANTZ-CULVER LINE

COLLEGE

FAVORITE	OPEN	Thursday TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at UCF				
		Friday		
at Stanford				Washington St
San Diego St				at New Mexico
Fresno St				at Nevada
		Saturday		
Oklahoma				Iowa
Michigan St				at Purdue
at Minnesota				Northwestern
at Army				Akron
at Temple				Tulsa
at Marshall				Middle Tenn
at Kent St				UMass
Florida St				at Syracuse
at Georgia Tech				Duke
at Wisconsin				Illinois
at NC State				Boston College
at Miami				Cincinnati
Buffalo				at Michigan
at Akron				Miami (Ohio)
at Iowa				Indiana
Bowling Green				at Ball St
West Virginia				at Texas Tech
Oklahoma St				at Kansas
at Baylor				Texas
at Memphis				at UAB
at UAB				Houston
Auburn				North Texas
at Ball St				at Mississippi St
at Troy				W. Michigan
Alabama				New Mexico St
LSU				at Arkansas
at Iowa St				at Florida
Oregon				Hawaii
Southern Cal				at UCLA
at California				at Arizona
Georgia				Washington
at Clemson				at Missouri
at Notre Dame				Louisville
at N. Illinois				North Carolina
at Georgia Southern				East Michigan
Arkansas St				Utah
at UTSA				at Georgia St
at Kentucky				Louisiana Monroe
at Texas A&M				Mississippi
at Utah St				Air Force
East Carolina				at South Florida
at Michigan				Penn St
at UTEP				Old Dominion
at Tulane				UCLA
Colorado St				at Nevada
at Hawaii				Wyoming
at Dallas				

NFL

FAVORITE	OPEN	Tonight TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
Seattle				at Washington
		Thursday		
Indianapolis				at Houston
		Sunday		
Denver				at N.Y. Jets
at Cleveland				Pittsburgh
at Tennessee				at Jacksonville
at Atlanta				Chicago
Green Bay				at Miami
Detroit				at Minnesota
at Cincinnati				Carolina
at Buffalo				New England
Baltimore				at Tampa Bay
San Diego				at Oakland
at Seattle				Dallas
at Arizona				Washington
at Philadelphia				N.Y. Giants
		Oct. 13		
San Francisco				at St. Louis

MLS STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-D.C.	15	9	7	52	46	34
New England	15	13	3	48	46	43
Sporting Kansas City	13	11	6	45	37	
New York	11	9	11	44	49	46
Columbus	11	10	10	43	44	38
Toronto FC	11	12	7	40	42	48
Philadelphia	9	10	12	39	46	45
Houston	10	14	6	36	35	51
Chicago	5	8	18	33	38	46
Montreal	6	18	7	25	34	54

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Seattle	19	9	3	60	61	47
x-Los Angeles	17	5	9	60	66	31
Real Salt Lake	13	8	10	49	50	39
FC Dallas	14	11	6	48	52	42
Vancouver	10	8	13	43	40	40
Portland	10	9	12	42	56	52
Colorado	8	15	8	32	42	58
San Jose	6	13	11	29	35	44
Chivas USA	7	18	6	27	26	58

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

x- clinched playoff berth

Thursday's Score

Philadelphia 1, Chicago 1, tie

Friday's Score

D.C. United 0, Sporting Kansas City 0, tie

Saturday's Scores

New York 1, Houston 0

Vancouver 2, FC Dallas 0

New England 2, Columbus 1

Los Angeles 3, Toronto FC 0

Portland 2, San Jose 1

Sunday's Scores

Seattle FC 4, Colorado 1

Chicago 0, Montreal 0, tie

Chivas USA 1, Real Salt Lake 0

Wednesday, Oct. 8

Houston at Toronto FC, 6:30 p.m.

San Jose at Portland, 9:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 10

Chicago at Sporting Kansas City, 7:30 p.m.

Vancouver at Seattle FC, 9 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 11

New England at Montreal, 3 p.m.

Toronto FC at New York, 6 p.m.

Columbus at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.

San Jose at Real Salt Lake, 8:30 p.m.

Colorado at Chivas USA, 9:30 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 12

D.C. United at Houston, 2 p.m.

Los Angeles at FC Dallas, 6 p.m.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Wednesday

At Beau Rivage Resort & Casino, Biloxi, Miss. (ESPN2), Sam Soliman vs. Jermain Taylor, 12, for Soliman's IBF middleweight title; Andre Dirrell vs. Nadir Brinson, 10, super middleweights.

Oct. 10

At Fantasy Springs Casino, Indio, Calif. (FS1), Ronny Rios vs. Robinson Castellanos, 10, junior lightweights; Antonio Orozco vs. Steve Forbes, 10, welterweights.

Oct. 11

At Cancun, Mexico, Carlos Molina vs. Cornelius Bundrage, 12, for Molina's IBF junior middleweight title.

Oct. 17

At Buenos Aires, Argentina, Juan Carlos Reveco vs. Yodmongkol Por Saengthep, 12, for Reveco's WBA flyweight title.

Oct. 18

At 2300 Arena, Philadelphia (NBCSN), Steve Cunningham vs. Nate Vishnia, 10, heavyweights; Edner Cherry vs. Jerry Belmontes, 10, lightweights.

At StubHub Center, Carson, Calif. (HBO), Gennadiy Golovkin vs. Marco Antonio Rubio, 12, for Golovkin's WBA Super World, IBO and interim

US women beat Spain to win world championship

By Doug Feinberg
Associated Press

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US basketball players hold their trophy following their victory over Spain at the Basketball World Championship for Women's final Sunday at Fenerbahce Arena in Istanbul, Turkey.

United States	77
Spain	64

ISTANBUL — Maya Moore scored 18 points and the U.S. beat Spain 77-64 to win its second straight gold medal at the women's world championship Sunday.

Lindsay Whalen added 12 points for the United States (6-0), which hasn't lost in a gold medal game in the world championship since 1983, when it was beaten by the Soviet Union 84-82. Except for a hiccup in 2006 when the Americans lost to Russia in the semifinals, they have won every Olympic and world championship game since 1996. If not for that upset in Brazil, the U.S. would have five straight world titles.

The Americans turned this game quickly into a laugher, jumping out to a 13-point lead in the first 4 1/2 minutes. Spain (5-1) could only get within seven the rest of the way.

Moore, who was chosen tournament MVP, was the key in that early burst, scoring 11 points during the opening 18-5 run. Her 3-pointers barely moved the net as the Americans blitzed Spain, which was making its first appearance in the championship game.

Behind strong offensive rebounding, the Spaniards cut it 24-17, but then Whalen took over. She had nine points during a 13-0 run by the Americans spanning the end of the first and start of the second quarter to make it a 20-point game. Whalen ended the first quarter with a spectacular drive that ended with a floater in the lane right before the buzzer. During the burst, Diana Taurasi threw a pinpoint pass to a streaking Seimone Augustus for another lay-in and the U.S. was off and running.

The Americans led 48-29 at the half. It was more of the same in the second half for the U.S., which led by 25 points before Spain closed the game with a 14-2 run.

Sancho Lyttle led Spain with 16 points.

In other games Sunday, Australia routed Turkey 74-44 to win the bronze medal. Canada topped China 61-53 to finish fifth and France beat Serbia 88-74 for seventh place.

Phelps says swimming on hold after DUI arrest

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

Phelps

Putting his swimming career on hold after his second DUI arrest, Olympic champion Michael Phelps began a six-week program Sunday that he said "will provide the help I need to better understand myself."

The winningest athlete in Olympic history made the announcement in a series of posts on his Twitter account.

According to his representatives at Octagon, Phelps entered an in-patient program that will keep him from competing at least through mid-November, though there's no indication he plans to give up swimming.

"The past few days have been extremely difficult," Phelps said in a statement. "I recognize that this is not my first lapse in judgment, and I am extremely disappointed with myself. I'm going to take some time away to attend a program that will provide the help I need to better understand myself.

He added, "Swimming is a major part of my life, but right now I need to focus my attention on me as an individual, and do the necessary work to learn from this experience and make better decisions in the future."

The 29-year-old Phelps was arrested early Tuesday and charged with drunken driving in his native Baltimore. Police said he failed a series of field sobriety tests and had a blood-alcohol content of 0.14 percent, well above the legal limit of 0.08.

Phelps retired after the 2012 Olympics in London, having won a record 18 gold medals and 22 medals overall. But he returned to competition this year with the goal of making the 2016 Rio Games.

His comeback has produced encouraging results, including three golds and two silvers at the Pac Pacific Championships in August.

Now, swimming is on the back burner.

A statement from Octagon said Phelps was entering "a comprehensive program that will help him focus on all of his life experiences and identify areas of need for long-term personal growth and development."

"Michael takes this matter seriously and intends to share his learning experiences with others in the future," the statement said.

While Phelps was still working out his schedule for the upcoming year, he will surely miss the first U.S. Grand Prix meet at Minneapolis, which begins Nov. 20. The remaining five Grand Prix meets are all in the first half of 2015 — important steps in the lead-up to next summer's world championships in Russia.

Phelps has already qualified for the worlds, the biggest meet on the swimming calendar outside of the Olympics. He was not planning to compete in the short course world championships, which will be held in early December in Qatar. The U.S. team for that meet, which includes longtime Phelps rival Ryan Lochte, was announced last week.

Chuck Wielgus, the executive director of USA Swimming, praised Phelps for entering a program. The governing body suspended him for three months in 2009 after a photo emerged showing Phelps using a marijuana pipe, even though he was not charged.

USA Swimming has not taken any disciplinary action for his second DUI arrest.

"We fully support Michael's decision to place his health and well-being as the number one priority," Wielgus said. "His self-recognition and commitment to get help exhibit how serious he is to learn from this experience."

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the other Chasers fare. If I can get taken out today, somebody else can later in this event or at Charlotte. Certainly need W's, I would assume, going forward."

He was spot-on about other Chasers having problems. Teammate Dale Earnhardt Jr. was leading when a flat tire caused him to hit the wall. He finished 39th after leading 45 laps in what had been shaping up to be his strongest race so far in this Chase.

"Just the whole surface of the tire unwound like a string. It just came off the tire and it popped off the corner," said Earnhardt. "Man, that was a great race car. We hadn't been running very good the last several weeks."

Keselowski was the next to suffer a tire problem that sent him into the wall. He finished 36th.

"Russian Roulette," Keselowski said, "and it was our turn."

Kasey Kahne was the third Hendrick car to see his day fall apart when he hit the wall. He was 22nd.

With so many drivers experiencing tire problems, Kevin Harvick grew nervous when his car suddenly struggled to turn. He radioed to his Stewart-Haas Racing team that he had a tire down and pitted under green from third place.

Crew chief Rodney Childers reported to Harvick that all the tires were fine, but the damage was done: Harvick had dropped to 23rd, was out of contention for the victory and had to charge his way back to a 12th-place finish. He had led 61 laps prior to his pit stop.

It puts the pressure on for some of NASCAR's top drivers, most of whom had feared this second round of the Chase from the very beginning. They must be perfect next week at Charlotte to avoid putting their title hopes on the line at Talladega, a notorious crapshoot of a race.

AUTO RACING RESULTS

Sprint Cup

Hollywood Casino 400 Results
Sunday
At Kansas Speedway
Kansas City, Kan.
Lap length: 1.5 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (4) Joey Logano, Ford, 267 laps, 144.7 rating, 48 points, $364,356.
2. (18) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 267, 118.4, 42, $257,900.
3. (7) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 267, 104.6, 42, $222,796.
4. (15) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 267, 109.8, 40, $173,163.
5. (12) Carl Edwards, Ford, 267, 92, 39, $148,705.
6. (17) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 267, 101.8, 39, $135,545.
7. (25) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 267, 89.9, 37, $129,470.
8. (16) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 267, 94.8, 36, $158,306.
9. (13) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 267, 87.4, 35, $138,584.
10. (2) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 267, 82, 34, $142,226.
11. (20) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 267, 82, 33, $126,543.
12. (1) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 267, 116.7, 33, $155,018.
13. (27) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 267, 82.8, 31, $150,421.
14. (5) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 267, 92, 31, $147,546.
15. (11) Greg Biffle, Ford, 267, 77.9, 29, $146,387.
16. (29) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 267, 67.9, 28, $111,310.
17. (9) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 267, 71.5, 27, $136,668.
18. (19) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 267, 58.1, 26, $136,801.
19. (23) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 267, 68.9, 25, $136,935.
20. (22) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 267, 68.6, 24, $127,955.
21. (35) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 267, 60, 0, $99,710.
22. (10) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 265, 89.1, 23, $115,110.
23. (39) Cole Whitt, Toyota, 264, 48.1, 21, $98,385.
24. (36) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 264, 55.9, 20, $113,843.
25. (14) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 263, 93.2, 20, $131,699.
26. (30) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, 263, 55.8, 18, $110,518.
27. (37) David Ragan, Ford, 262, 44.4, 17, $115,318.
28. (26) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 262, 54.1, 16, $112,607.
29. (38) J.J. Yeley, Toyota, 262, 46.7, 0, $94,360.
30. (31) David Gilliland, Ford, 262, 43.4, 14, $101,110.
31. (3) Aric Almirola, Ford, 260, 65.9, 13, $126,346.
32. (33) Alex Bowman, Toyota, 259, 36.4, 12, $91,210.
33. (40) Timmy Hill, Chevrolet, 259, 32.5, 11, $91,010.
34. (43) Mike Wallace, Toyota, 259, 29.9, 0, $98,810.
35. (28) Michael McDowell, Ford, 258, 41.1, 9, $90,575.
36. (6) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 222, 77.4, 9, $135,793.
37. (42) Joey Gase, Ford, 213, 29.9, 0, $90,156.
38. (34) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, 207, 31, 6, $84,465.
39. (8) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 204, 88.9, 6, $88,465.
40. (32) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 180, 42.4, $130,401.
41. (21) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, accident, 84.3, 4, $80,465.
42. (24) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, accident, 75, 36.9, 2, $68,465.
43. (41) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, vibration, 17, 27.3, 0, $64,965.

Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 141.951 mph.
Time of Race: 2 hours, 49 minutes, 17 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.479 seconds
Caution Flags: 8 for 34 laps
Lead Changes: 25 among 9 drivers
Lap Leaders: K.Harvick 1-43; J.McMurray 44-46; J.Gordon 47; B.Keselowski 48-49; J.McMurray 50-71; K.Harvick 72; J.McMurray 73-74; K.Harvick 75; D.Earnhardt Jr. 76-82; K.Harvick 83; D.Earnhardt Jr. 84-89; K.Harvick 90; D.Earnhardt Jr. 91-122; J.Logano 123-126; K.Harvick 127-134; J.Logano 135-161; K.Kahne 162-163; J.Logano 164-168; K.Harvick 167; J.Logano 168-192; K.Harvick 193-197; J.Logano 198-231; R.Newman 232-233; Ky.Busch 234; R.Newman 235-238; J.Logano 239-267.

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): J.Logano, 6 times for 122 laps; K.Harvick, 8 times for 61 laps; D.Earnhardt Jr., 3 times for 45 laps; J.McMurray, 3 times for 27 laps; R.Newman, 2 times for 6 laps; K.Kahne, 1 time for 2 laps; B.Keselowski, 1 time for 2 laps; Ky.Busch, 1 time for 1 lap; J.Gordon, 1 time for 1 lap.

Wins: B.Keselowski, 5; J.Logano, 5; J.Gordon, 4; D.Earnhardt Jr., 3; J.Johnson, 3; C.Edwards, 2; K.Harvick, 2; A.Allmendinger, 1; A.Almirola, 1; Ku.Busch, 1; Ky.Busch, 1; D.Hamlin, 1; K.Kahne, 1.

Top 16 in Points: 1. J.Logano, 3,048; 2. Ky.Busch, 3,042; 3. C.Edwards, 3,039; 4. R.Newman, 3,039; 5. D.Hamlin, 3,037; 6. K.Harvick, 3,033; 7. M.Kenseth, 3,031; 8. J.Gordon, 3,031; 9. K.Kahne, 3,023; 10. B.Keselowski, 3,009; 11. D.Earnhardt Jr., 3,006; 12. J.Johnson, 3,004; 13. A.Allmendinger, 2,110; 14. G.Biffle, 2,101; 15. Ku.Busch, 2,075; 16. A.Almirola, 2,074.

NASCAR Driver Rating Formula
A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.
The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish.

Formula One

Japanese Grand Prix Results
Sunday
At Suzuka International Racing Course circuit
Suzuka, Japan
Lap length: 3.61 miles

1. Lewis Hamilton, England, Mercedes, 44 laps, 1.51.43.021, 85.168 mph.
2. Nico Rosberg, Germany, Mercedes, 44, 1.51.52.201.
3. Sebastian Vettel, Germany, Red Bull, 44, 1.52.12.143.
4. Daniel Ricciardo, Australia, Red Bull, 44, 1.52.21.839.
5. Jenson Button, England, McLaren, 44, 1.52.50.571.
6. Valtteri Bottas, Finland, Williams, 44, 1.53.36.794.
7. Felipe Massa, Brazil, Williams, 44, 1.53.38.147.
8. Nico Hulkenberg, Germany, Force India, 44, 1.53.38.969.
9. Jean-Eric Vergne, France, Toro Rosso, 44, 1.53.50.659.
10. Sergio Perez, Mexico, Force India, 43, +1 lap, Retired.
11. Daniil Kvyat, Russia, Toro Rosso, 43, +1 lap.
12. Kimi Raikkonen, Finland, Ferrari, 43, +1 lap.
13. Esteban Gutierrez, Mexico, Sauber, 43, +1 lap.
14. Kevin Magnussen, Denmark, McLaren, 43, +1 lap.
15. Romain Grosjean, France, Lotus, 43, +1 lap.
16. Pastor Maldonado, Venezuela, Lotus, 43, +1 lap.
17. Marcus Ericsson, Sweden, Caterham, 43, +1 lap.
18. Max Chilton, England, Marussia, 43, +1 lap.
19. Kamui Kobayashi, Japan, Caterham, 43, +1 lap.
20. Jules Bianchi, France, Marussia, 41, +3 laps, Retired.
21. Adrian Sutil, Germany, Sauber, 40, +4 laps, Retired.
22. Fernando Alonso, Spain, Ferrari, 2, Retired.

Drivers Standings
(After 15 of 19 races)

1. Lewis Hamilton, England, Mercedes, 266 points.
2. Nico Rosberg, Germany, Mercedes, 256.
3. Daniel Ricciardo, Australia, Red Bull, 193.
4. Sebastian Vettel, Germany, Red Bull, 139.
5. Fernando Alonso, Spain, Ferrari, 133.
6. Valtteri Bottas, Finland, Williams, 130.
7. Jenson Button, England, McLaren, 82.
8. Nico Hulkenberg, Germany, Force India, 76.
9. Felipe Massa, Brazil, Williams, 71.
10. Sergio Perez, Mexico, Force India, 46.
11. Kimi Raikkonen, Finland, Ferrari, 45.
12. Kevin Magnussen, Denmark, McLaren, 39.
13. Jean-Eric Vergne, France, Toro Rosso, 21.
14. Romain Grosjean, France, Lotus, 8.
15. Daniil Kvyat, Russia, Toro Rosso, 8.
16. Jules Bianchi, France, Marussia, 2.

Constructors Standings

1. Mercedes, 522 points.
2. Red Bull, 332.
3. Williams, 201.
4. Ferrari, 178.
5. Force India, 122.
6. McLaren, 121.
7. Toro Rosso, 29.
8. Lotus, 8.
9. Marussia, 2.

NHRA

Nationals Results
Sunday
At Maple Grove Raceway
Mohnton, Pa.
Final Finish Order

TOP FUEL — 1. Tony Schumacher, 2. Brittany Force, 3. Doug Kalitta, 4. Spencer Massey, 5. Khalid alBalooshi, 6. J.R. Todd, 7. Steve Torrence, 8. Richie Crampton, 9. Bob Vandergriff, 10. Dom Lagana, 11. Antron Brown, 12. Terry McMillen, 13. Leah Pritchett, 14. Larry Dixon, 15. Shawn Langdon, 16. Clay Millican.

FUNNY CAR — 1. Matt Hagan, 2. Tommy Johnson Jr., 3. Alexis DeJoria, 4. Jeff Arend, 5. Cruz Pedregon, 6. Bob Tasca III, 7. Tim Wilkerson, 8. Jack Beckman, 9. John Force, 10. Del Worsham, 11. Robert Hight, 12. Chad Head, 13. Ron Capps, 14. Courtney Force, 15. John Bojec, 16. Tony Pedregon.

PRO STOCK — 1. Rodger Brogdon, 2. Allen Johnson, 3. Erica Enders-Stevens, 4. Greg Anderson, 5. Vincent Nobile, 6. Shane Gray, 7. V Gaines, 8. Jason Line, 9. Dave Connolly, 10. Jeg Coughlin, 11. Frank Gugliotta, 12. Larry Morgan, 13. John Gaydosh Jr, 14. Richie Stevens, 15. Kenny Delco, 16. Jonathan Gray.

PRO STOCK MOTORCYCLE — 1. Eddie Krawiec, 2. Scotty Pollacheck, 3. Matt Smith, 4. Andrew Hines, 5. Chaz Kennedy, 6. Adam Arana, 7. Jerry Savoie, 8. Hector Arana Jr, 9. John Hall, 10. Steve Johnson, 11. Shawn Gann, 12. Hector Arana, 13. Angie Smith, 14. Joe DeSantis, 15. Angelle Sampey, 16. Brian Pretzel.

Final Finish Order

Top Fuel—Tony Schumacher, 4.440 seconds, 291.13 mph def. Brittany Force, 4.652 seconds, 269.94 mph.

Funny Car—Matt Hagan, Dodge Charger, 4.333, 315.00 def. Tommy Johnson Jr., Charger, 5.456, 152.31.

Pro Stock—Rodger Brogdon, Chevy Camaro, 6.516, 212.13 def. Allen Johnson, Dodge Dart, 10.270, 90.64.

Pro Stock Motorcycle—Eddie Krawiec, Harley-Davidson, 6.793, 197.13 def. Scotty Pollacheck, Buell, 6.853, 193.92.

Top Alcohol Dragster—Chris Demke, 5.262, 272.45 def. Duane Shields, 5.392, 255.92.

Top Alcohol Funny Car—Steve Harker, Chevy Monte Carlo, 5.429, 267.69 def. John Lombardo Jr., Ford Mustang, 10.494, 80.78.

Competition Eliminator—Arnie Martel, Chevy Camaro, 7.665, 180.44 def. Joe Camasciale, Chevy Cavalier, 8.873, 139.99.

Super Stock—Dan Fletcher, Chevy Camaro, 10.903, 98.29 def. Doug Chervanik, Camaro, foul.

Stock Eliminator—Russell Linke, Chevy Camaro, 10.499, 126.40 def. Michael Iacono, Camaro, foul.

Super Comp—Steve Martel, Dragster, 8.896, 164.99 def. Allen Rainey Dragster, 8.988, 171.60.

Super Gas—Jason Lynch, Chevy Cobalt, 9.869, 166.17 def. Alan Kenny, Chevy Corvette, 9.852, 160.14.

ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

BROWNS 29 TITANS 26

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Brian Hoyer threw a 6-yard touchdown pass to Travis Benjamin with 1:09 left, and the Browns rallied from a 25-point deficit in beating the Tennessee Titans 29-28 Sunday for the biggest comeback in franchise history.

The Browns (2-2) had never rallied from more than 20 points, and easily topped the comeback on Dec. 4, 1966, when Cleveland trailed the Giants 34-14 and won 49-40, according to STATS. It was the biggest road comeback in NFL history.

They couldn't have made it tougher on themselves as they fell behind 28-3 in the first half. They snapped a seven-game road skid scoring 26 unanswered points, including 16 in the fourth quarter.

The Titans (1-4) had a massive collapse — their biggest since moving to Tennessee in 1997.

Jake Locker didn't return after hurting his right thumb in the second quarter, and backup Charlie Whitehurst couldn't protect the big lead.

SAINTS 37 BUCCANEERS 31, OT

NEW ORLEANS — Khiry Robinson's tackle-breaking, 18-yard touchdown run in overtime lifted the Saints.

Pierre Thomas caught eight passes out of the backfield for 77 yards and a touchdown. He also rushed for 35 yards and a score to help New Orleans (2-3) overcome Drew Brees' three interceptions — and an 11-point deficit in the fourth quarter.

Brees completed 35 of 57 passes for 371 yards and two touchdowns, but two of his interceptions led directly to Buccaneers touchdowns. His third ended a potential winning drive in the final minute of regulation.

Making his second straight start for Tampa Bay (1-4), Mike Glennon was 19 for 32 for 249 yards and two touchdowns. He was intercepted once and sacked by Junior Galette for a safety in the fourth quarter.

BRONCOS 41 CARDINALS 20

DENVER — Peyton Manning joined Brett Favre in the NFL's most exclusive of clubs with his 500th touchdown pass.

Manning finished with four TD throws, moving him within five of Favre's record 508. Manning found tight end Julius Thomas twice in the end zone, including the touchstone touchdown, a 7-yard dart in the first quarter.

Yet, it was wide receiver Demaryius Thomas who had the biggest day for the Broncos (3-1) with eight catches for a team-record 226 yards and two TDs. That beat Shannon Sharpe's mark of 214 yards set against Kansas City in 2002.

CHARGERS 31 JETS 0

SAN DIEGO — Philip Rivers threw two touchdown passes to Antonio Gates and rookie running back Branden Oliver's big day included his first two NFL touchdowns.

The Chargers (4-1) heaped more pain on the Jets (1-4), who lost their fourth straight game and turned to Michael Vick. Vick replaced Geno Smith on New York's first possession of the second half, but wasn't any more effective.

PATRIOTS 43 BENGALS 17

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Tom Brady rebounded from the second worst loss of his career by throwing for two touchdowns and becoming the sixth quarterback to pass for 50,000 yards as the New England Patriots routed the NFL's last unbeaten team with a 43-17 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals on Sunday night.

Six days after a 41-14 loss to the Kansas City Chiefs, the Patriots' offense broke out of its season-long slump. Brady threw for 292 yards and Stevan Ridley gained 117 of the team's 221 yards rushing against a team that had allowed an NFL-low 11 points per game.

49ERS 22 CHIEFS 17

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — Colin Kaepernick threw for 201 yards and a touchdown, Frank Gore ran for 107 yards and the 49ers converted a fake punt.

The 49ers (3-2) turned to a trick play on fourth-and-1 from their 29 early in the fourth quarter, giving a direct snap to Craig Dahl for a 3-yard run up the middle. Kaepernick directed the offense downfield, and Phil Dawson kicked a 27-yard field goal with 8:42 to play for the go-ahead score.

PANTHERS 31 BEARS 24

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Cam Newton threw two touchdown passes to Greg Olsen and the Panthers' defense forced four turnovers to overcome a 14-point deficit.

With the game tied at 24, Carolina's Antoine Cason stripped Matt Forte of the ball and the Kawaan Short recovered at Chicago's 23. Six plays later, Newton found Olsen on a slant route for a 6-yard touchdown with 2:18 left.

BILLS 17 LIONS 14

DETROIT — Dan Carpenter hit a 58-yard field goal with 4 seconds remaining to lift Buffalo.

Kyle Orton, making his debut as Bills starter, set up the decisive kick by completing a 20-yard pass over the middle to Sammy Watkins as Buffalo (3-2) overcame a 14-0 deficit. It was the eighth game Orton has won in overtime or when trailing in the fourth quarter.

COLTS 20 RAVENS 13

INDIANAPOLIS — Andrew Luck threw one touchdown pass and ran for another score and the defense held on late. Luck was 32 of 49 for 312 yards with two interceptions, but scored the decisive points on a nifty 13-yard run with 8:56 left.

Indianapolis (3-2) has won three straight. Baltimore (3-2) lost for the first time since Week 1.

EAGLES 34 RAMS 28

PHILADELPHIA — Nick Foles threw two touchdown passes, while the defense and special teams each scored.

The Eagles (4-1) rebounded from a tough loss at San Francisco with a strong all-around performance until the end. Chris Maragos returned a blocked punt for a touchdown, Cedric Thornton recovered a fumble for a score and nearly took another one the distance.

GIANTS 30 FALCONS 20

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — First-round draft pick Odell Beckham Jr. made his NFL debut a memorable one, catching a go-ahead 15-yard touchdown pass from Eli Manning with 10:02 left.

Fellow rookie Andre Williams scored on a 3-yard run to ignite the second-half rally that saw the Giants (3-2) come from 10 points down to win their third straight game.

STEELERS 17 JAGUARS 9

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Brice McCain returned an interception 22 yards for a touchdown, helping the Steelers overcome a mediocre offensive performance.

McCain stepped in front of receiver Allen Hurns early in the fourth quarter, intercepted rookie Blake Bortles' wobbly sideline pass and went untouched the other way.

BASINNFLCONNECTION

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Tannehill

RYAN TANNEHILL QB, MIAMI DOLPHINS (BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL)

The Miami Dolphins were on their bye in Week 5. The Dolphins next play the Green Bay Packers on Oct. 12 at Sun Life Stadium in Miami.

Cannon

MARCUS CANNON OL, NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (ODESSA HIGH SCHOOL)

Cannon and the offensive line paved the way for Stevan Ridley to collect 113 yards and one touchdown in the Patriots' 43-17 win over the Cincinnati Bengals on Sunday in Foxborough, Massachusetts. He also helped protect QB Tom Brady as Brady had 292 passing yards and 2 passing TDs.

STANDINGS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East											
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Buffalo	3	2	0	.600	96	89	1-1-0	2-1-0	1-2-0	2-0-0	1-0-0
New England	3	2	0	.600	123	107	2-0-0	1-2-0	2-2-0	1-0-0	0-1-0
Miami	2	2	0	.500	96	97	1-1-0	1-1-0	2-2-0	0-0-0	1-1-0
N.Y. Jets	1	4	0	.200	79	127	1-2-0	0-2-0	1-1-0	0-3-0	0-0-0
South											
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Indianapolis	3	2	0	.600	156	108	2-1-0	1-1-0	3-1-0	0-1-0	2-0-0
Houston	3	2	0	.600	104	87	2-0-0	1-2-0	2-0-0	1-2-0	0-0-0
Tennessee	1	4	0	.200	88	139	0-2-0	1-2-0	1-3-0	0-1-0	0-1-0
Jacksonville	0	5	0	.000	67	169	0-2-0	0-3-0	0-3-0	0-2-0	0-1-0
North											
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Cincinnati	3	1	0	.750	97	76	2-0-0	1-1-0	2-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-0
Baltimore	3	2	0	.600	116	80	2-1-0	1-1-0	2-2-0	1-0-0	2-1-0
Pittsburgh	3	2	0	.600	114	108	1-1-0	2-1-0	2-1-0	1-1-0	1-1-0
Cleveland	2	2	0	.500	103	105	1-1-0	1-1-0	1-2-0	1-0-0	0-2-0
West											
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
San Diego	4	1	0	.800	133	63	3-0-0	1-1-0	3-0-0	1-1-0	0-0-0
Denver	3	1	0	.750	116	87	3-0-0	0-1-0	2-0-0	1-1-0	1-0-0
Kansas City	2	3	0	.400	119	101	1-1-0	1-2-0	2-2-0	0-1-0	0-1-0
Oakland	0	4	0	.000	51	103	0-2-0	0-2-0	0-4-0	0-0-0	0-0-0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East											
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
Philadelphia	4	1	0	.800	156	132	3-0-0	1-1-0	2-1-0	2-0-0	1-0-0
Dallas	4	1	0	.800	135	103	2-1-0	2-0-0	2-1-0	2-0-0	0-0-0
N.Y. Giants	3	2	0	.600	133	111	2-1-0	1-1-0	2-2-0	1-0-0	1-0-0
Washington	1	3	0	.250	95	109	1-1-0	0-2-0	0-2-0	1-1-0	0-2-0
South											
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
Carolina	3	2	0	.600	104	120	2-1-0	1-1-0	3-0-0	0-2-0	1-0-0
Atlanta	2	3	0	.400	151	143	2-0-0	0-3-0	2-2-0	0-1-0	2-0-0
New Orleans	2	3	0	.400	132	141	2-0-0	0-3-0	2-2-0	0-1-0	1-1-0
Tampa Bay	1	4	0	.200	103	156	0-2-0	1-2-0	0-4-0	1-0-0	0-3-0
North											
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
Detroit	3	2	0	.600	99	79	2-1-0	1-1-0	2-1-0	1-1-0	1-0-0
Green Bay	3	2	0	.600	134	106	2-0-0	1-2-0	2-2-0	1-0-0	2-1-0
Minnesota	2	3	0	.400	101	126	1-1-0	1-2-0	2-2-0	0-1-0	0-1-0
Chicago	2	3	0	.400	116	131	0-2-0	2-1-0	1-2-0	1-1-0	0-1-0
West											
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
Arizona	3	1	0	.750	86	86	2-0-0	1-1-0	1-2-0	2-0-0	1-1-0
Seattle	2	1	0	.667	83	66	2-0-0	0-1-0	1-0-0	1-1-0	0-0-0
San Francisco	3	2	0	.600	110	106	2-1-0	1-1-0	2-2-0	1-0-0	0-1-0
St. Louis	1	3	0	.250	84	119	0-2-0	1-1-0	1-3-0	0-0-0	0-1-0

Thursday's Score

Green Bay 42, Minnesota 10

Sunday's Scores

Cleveland 29, Tennessee 26
New Orleans 37, Tampa Bay, 31 OT
Dallas 20, Houston 17 OT
Carolina 31, Chicago 24
Philadelphia 34, St. Louis 28
N.Y. Giants 30, Atlanta 20
Buffalo 17, Detroit 14
Indianapolis 20, Baltimore 13
Pittsburgh 17, Jacksonville 9
Denver 41, Arizona 20
San Francisco 22, Kansas City 17
San Diego 31, N.Y. Jets 0
New England 43, Cincinnati 17
Open: Miami, Oakland

Today's Game

Seattle at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 9

Indianapolis at Houston, 7:25 p.m

Sunday, Oct. 12

Jacksonville at Tennessee: Noon
Detroit at Minnesota: Noon
Baltimore at Tampa Bay, Noon
Denver at N.Y. Jets, Noon
New England at Buffalo: Noon
Carolina at Cincinnati: Noon
Philadelphia at Cleveland: Noon
Green Bay at Miami: Noon
San Diego at Oakland, 3:05 p.m
Dallas at Seattle, 3:25 p.m.
Washington at Arizona, 3:25 p.m
Chicago at Atlanta, 3:25 p.m
N.Y Giants at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m
Open: Kansas City, New Orleans

Monday, Oct. 13

San Francisco at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m

SUNDAY'SBOXES

FROM WIRE REPORTS

PANTHERS 31, BEARS 24

Chicago	14	7	3	0 —24
Carolina	7	7	7	10 —31

First Quarter

Car—Brown 79 punt return (Gano kick). 10:56
Chi—Forte 10 pass from Cutler (Gould kick). 4:31

Chi—Cutler 10 run (Gould kick). 2:13

Second Quarter

Chi—Jeffery 25 pass from Cutler (Gould kick). 10:51
Car—Olsen 9 pass from Newton (Gano kick). 1:12

Third Quarter

Car—Ogbonnaya 1 run (Gano kick). 7:16
Chi—FG Gould 45, 2:38

Fourth Quarter

Car—FG Gano 44, 4:29
Car—Olsen 6 pass from Newton (Gano kick). 2:18
A—73,659.

	Chi	Car
First downs	17	22
Total Net Yards	347	321
Rushes-yards	22-85	27-90
Passing	262	231
Comp-Att-Int	28-36-2	19-35-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-27	2-24
Punts	4-52.3	5-48.2
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	3-2
Penalties-Yards	10-80	3-30
Time of Possession	30:59	27:01

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Chicago, Forte 17-61, Cutler 3-22, Carey 2-2. Carolina, Reaves 11-35, Ogbonnaya 8-24, Brown 2-22, Newton 6-9.

PASSING—Chicago, Cutler 28-36-2-289. Carolina, Newton 19-35-1-255.

RECEIVING—Chicago, Forte 12-105, Jeffery 6-97, Marshall 3-44, Rosario 3-20, Bennett 3-17, Holmes 1-6. Carolina, Olsen 6-72, Cotchery 3-46, Benjamin 3-38, Avant 2-42, Dickson 2-16, Benson 1-21, Reaves 1-16, Brown 1-4.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Chicago, Gould 35 (WR)

SAINTS 37, BUCCANEERS 31, OT

Tampa Bay	0	10	14	7	0 —31
New Orleans	6	7	7	11	6 —37

First Quarter

NO—FG S Graham 30, 9:46
NO—FG S Graham 29, 2:1

Second Quarter

NO—Thomas 15 pass from Brees (S Graham kick). 10:14
TB—FG Murray 55, 1:54
TB—Murphy Jr. 20 pass from Glennon (Murray kick). 20

Third Quarter

TB—Barney 9 run (Murray kick). 11:59
TB—Lansanah 33 interception return (Murray kick). 11:20
NO—Cadet 5 pass from Brees (S Graham kick) 4:57

Fourth Quarter

TB—Herron 9 pass from Glennon (Murray kick). 13:28
NO—Thomas 27 run (pass failed). 9:28
NO—Galette safety. 6:44
NO—FG S Graham 44, 2:30

Overtime

NO—K Robinson 18 run. 9:24
A—73,004

	TB	NO
First downs	20	34
Total Net Yards	314	511
Rushes-yards	21-66	29-140
Passing	248	371
Comp-Att-Int	19-32-1	35-57-3
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-1	0-0
Punts	4-40.5	2-48.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	15-113	6-50
Time of Possession	27:04	38:32

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Tampa Bay, Martin 14-45, Rainey 6-21. Glennon 1-0. New Orleans, K Robinson 21-89 Thomas 4-35, Cooks 2-15, Johnson 1-2, Brees 1-(minus 1)

PASSING—Tampa Bay, Glennon 19-32-1-249 New Orleans, Brees 35-57-3-371

RECEIVING—Tampa Bay, Jackson 8-144, Murphy Jr. 3-35, Martin 3-29, Rainey 3-21, Seferian-Jenkins 1-11, Herron 1-9. New Orleans, Cooks 9-58, Thomas 8-77, Watson 5-43, Colston 3-63, Hill 3-53, Cadet 3-19, J.Graham 2-36, Stills 1-16, K.Robinson 1-8

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

BILLS 17, LIONS 14

Buffalo	0	3	3	11	—17
Detroit	7	7	0	0	—14

First Quarter

Det—Tate 9 pass from Stafford (Hanery kick). 05

Second Quarter

Det—Mathis 41 interception return (Hanery kick). 13:44
Buf—FG Carpenter 45, 6:43.

Third Quarter

Buf—FG Carpenter 25, 1:23.

Fourth Quarter

Buf—Gragg 2 pass from Orton (Jackson run). 9:23
Buf—FG Carpenter 58, :04.
A—62,775

	Buf	Det
First downs	19	13
Total Net Yards	343	283
Rushes-yards	22-49	20-49
Passing	294	194
Comp-Att-Int	30-43-1	18-31-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-14	6-27
Punts	8-43.1	7-47.1
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	11-74	8-62
Time of Possession	32:19	27:41

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Buffalo, Watkins 7-87, Jackson 7-58, Chandler 4-21, Woods 3-37, Spiller 3-25, Hogan 2-27, Goodwin 1-42, M.Williams 1-6, Gragg 1-2, Summers 1-1. Detroit, Tate 7-134, Fuller 3-17, Bush 2-30, Pettigrew 2-12, Ebron 2-8, Ross 1-13, C.Johnson 1-7.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Buffalo, Carpenter 50 (WL). Detroit, Hanery 44 (WR), 47 (SH), 50 (WL)

BROWNS 29, TITANS 28

Cleveland	0	10	3	16 —29
Tennessee	7	21	0	0 —28

First Quarter

Ten—Wright 11 pass from Locker (Succop kick) 4:46

Second Quarter

Ten—Locker 11 run (Succop kick). 14:41
Cle—FG Cundiff 38, 10:05
Ten—Wright 11 pass from Whitehurst (Succop kick). 3:43
Ten—Hunter 75 pass from Whitehurst (Succop kick). 2:44
Cle—Gray 1 pass from Hoyer (Cundiff kick). 12

Third Quarter

Cle—FG Cundiff 42, 12:55

Fourth Quarter

Cle—Carder safety. 11:02
Cle—Benjamin 17 pass from Hoyer (Cundiff kick). 6:49
Cle—Benjamin 6 pass from Hoyer (Cundiff kick). 1:09
A—69,143.

	Cle	Ten
First downs	27	22
Total Net Yards	460	410
Rushes-yards	36-175	30-149
Passing	285	261
Comp-Att-Int	21-37-1	21-32-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-7	3-12
Punts	3-49.0	5-37.6
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	7-74	7-68
Time of Possession	29:17	30:43

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Cleveland, Tate 22-123, West 7-31, Crowell 6-19, Hoyer 1-2. Tennessee, Wright 2-43, Greene 11-36, Locker 4-34, Sankey 8-27, McCluster 3-10, Whitehurst 2-(minus 1)

PASSING—Cleveland, Hoyer 21-37-1-292. Tennessee, Whitehurst 13-21-0-194, Locker 8-11-0-79

RECEIVING—Cleveland, Gabriel 4-95, Benjamin 4-48, Cameron 3-33, Hawkins 3-27, Gray 3-25, Austin 2-54, Agnew 1-12, Tate 1-(minus 2). Tennessee, Wright 6-47, N.Washington 4-57, Walker 4-47, Hunter 3-89, Cuthbert 2-18, L.Washington 1-7, McCluster 1-(minus 2)

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

GIANTS 30, FALCONS 20

Atlanta	7	6	7	0 —20
N.Y. Giants	7	3	7	13 —30

First Quarter

NYG—Randle 3 pass from Manning (J.Brown kick). 6:40
Atl—S.Jackson 10 run (Bryant kick). 1:57

Second Quarter

Atl—FG Bryant 20, 14:15
NYG—FG J.Brown 49, 3:40
Atl—FG Bryant 20, :0

Third Quarter

Atl—Smith 74 pass from Ryan (Bryant kick). 5:37
NYG—A.Williams 3 run (J.Brown kick). 2:05

Fourth Quarter

NYG—Beckham Jr. 15 pass from Manning (J.Brown kick). 10:02
NYG—FG J.Brown 50, 5:01
NYG—FG J.Brown 26, 2:08
A—80,307

	Atl	NYG
First downs	20	22
Total Net Yards	397	317
Rushes-yards	21-90	34-124
Passing	307	193
Comp-Att-Int	29-45-1	19-30-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-9	1-7
Punts	5-32.6	3-57.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-2
Penalties-Yards	8-81	3-15
Time of Possession	28:19	31:41

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Atlanta, Freeman 4-38, S.Jackson 13-37, Rodgers 2-10, Hester 1-3, Smith 1-2. N.Y Giants, A.Williams 20-65, Jennings 10-55, Hills 2-7, Manning 2-(minus 3)

PASSING—Atlanta, Ryan 29-45-1-316. N.Y Giants, Manning 19-30-0-200.

RECEIVING—Atlanta, Jones 11-105, Freeman 5-44, S.Jackson 5-37, Smith 3-63, White 2-26, Hester 2-16, Rodgers 1-5. N.Y Giants, Beckham Jr. 4-44, Randle 4-33, Parker 3-61, Cruz 3-22, A.Williams 2-18, Jennings 2-17, Robinson 1-5

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

COLTS 20, RAVENS 13

Baltimore	0	3	0	10 —13
Indianapolis	3	3	7	7 —20

First Quarter

Ind—FG Vinatieri 38, 9:44

Second Quarter

Ind—FG Vinatieri 34, :35
Bal—FG Tucker 52, :00

Third Quarter

Ind—Allen 6 pass from Luck (Vinatieri kick). 10:33

Fourth Quarter

Bal—FG Tucker 27, 13:56.
Ind—Luck 13 run (Vinatieri kick). 8:56
Bal—Forsett 11 run (Tucker kick). 7:16
A—65,258.

	Bal	Ind
First downs	15	26
Total Net Yards	287	422
Rushes-yards	15-90	30-117
Passing	197	305
Comp-Att-Int	22-38-1	32-49-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-38	1-7
Punts	5-48.4	3-47.7
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-2
Penalties-Yards	5-36	6-63
Time of Possession	21:17	38:43

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Baltimore, Forsett 7-55, Daniels 3-70, Smith Sr. 5-34, T.Smith 3-38, Jones 1-30, Allen 1-8. Indianapolis, Hilton 9-90, Wayne 7-77, Allen 4-58, Bradshaw 4-17, Richardson 4-10, Hicks 3-29, Fleener 1-30.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

EAGLES 34, RAMS 28

St. Louis	0	7	7	14 —28
Philadelphia	13	7	14	0 —34

First Quarter

Phi—Maragos 10 blocked punt return (Parkey kick). 14:37
Phi—FG Parkey 26, 7:42
Phi—FG Parkey 27, 3:04

Second Quarter

StL—Quick 8 pass from A.Davis (Zuerlein kick). 3:23
Phi—Cooper 9 pass from Foles (Parkey kick). 30

Third Quarter

Phi—Thornton fumble recovery in end zone (Parkey kick). 12:17
Phi—Maclin 24 pass from Foles (Parkey kick). 2:15
StL—Cunningham 14 run (Zuerlein kick). :03

Fourth Quarter

StL—Britt 30 pass from A.Davis (Zuerlein kick). 9:02
StL—Quick 5 pass from A.Davis (Zuerlein kick). 4:41
A—69,596

	StL	Phi
First downs	29	22
Total Net Yards	466	352
Rushes-yards	23-125	33-145
Passing	341	207
Comp-Att-Int	29-49-0	24-37-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-34	0-0
Punts	5-33.2	4-40.8
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	2-2
Penalties-Yards	10-82	4-39
Time of Possession	32:59	27:01

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—St. Louis, Cunningham 7-47, Stacy 11-42, A.Davis 3-30, Watts 2-6. Philadelphia, McCoy 24-81, Sproles 7-51, Foles 2-13.

PASSING—St. Louis, A.Davis 29-49-0-375. Philadelphia, Foles 24-37-1-207

RECEIVING—St. Louis, Quick 5-87, Cook 4-44, Stacy 4-36, Britt 3-68, Pettis 3-29, Cunningham 3-24, Austin 2-33, Bailey 2-20, Watts 2-12, Kendricks 1-22. Philadelphia, Maclin 5-76, J.Matthews 4-35, Cooper 4-33, McCoy 4-5, Ertz 3-39, Celek 3-15, Huff 1-4.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

STEELERS 17, JAGUARS 9

Pittsburgh	0	10	0	7 —17
Jacksonville	3	3	3	0 —9

First Quarter

Jax—FG Scobee 43, 5:17

Second Quarter

Pit—FG Suisham 24, 12:35
Pit—Palmer 1 pass from Roethlisberger (Suisham kick). 1:53
Jax—FG Scobee 35, :09

Third Quarter

Jax—FG Scobee 36, 3:16

Fourth Quarter

Pit—McCain 22 interception return (Suisham kick). 11:32
A—66,198

	Pit	Jax
First downs	20	12
Total Net Yards	372	243
Rushes-yards	28-111	15-56
Passing	261	187
Comp-Att-int	26-36-0	22-36-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-12	1-4
Punts	5-45.4	5-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-0
Penalties-Yards	7-50	4-34
Time of Possession	35:17	24:43

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Pittsburgh, Bell 15-82, Blount 8-29, Archer 1-2. WR,Johnson 1-0, Roethlisberger 3-(minus 2). Jacksonville, Johnson 4-27, Bortles 4-14, Gerhart 4-9, D.Robinson 3-6.

PASSING—Pittsburgh, Roethlisberger 26-36-0-273. Jacksonville, Bortles 22-36-2-191

RECEIVING—Pittsburgh, A.Brown 5-84, Bell 5-36, Miller 3-46, J.Brown 3-26, Blount 3-17, Archer 2-8, Moore 1-26, Wheaton 1-17, WR,Johnson 1-12, Palmer 1-1, Heyward-Bey 1-0. Jacksonville, A.Robinson 5-51, Hurns 4-26, Harbor 3-22, Brown 2-28, Todman 2-23, Sanders 2-12, D.Robinson 2-(minus 1), Gerhart 1-20, Ta'ufo'ou 1-12.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

CHARGERS 31, JETS 0

N.Y. Jets	0	0	0	0 —0
San Diego	7	14	7	3 —31

First Quarter

SD—Gates 8 pass from Rivers (Novak kick). 7:31

Second Quarter

SD—Gates 12 pass from Rivers (Novak kick). 10:15
SD—Oliver 15 run (Novak kick). 42

Third Quarter

SD—Oliver 9 pass from Rivers (Novak kick). 6:44

Fourth Quarter

SD—FG Novak 34, 13:26
A—63,471.

	NYJ	SD
First downs	11	21
Total Net Yards	151	439
Rushes-yards	21-91	40-162
Passing	60	277
Comp-Att-Int	12-31-1	20-28-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-14	3-11
Punts	8-51.1	5-40.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	12-94	5-76
Time of Possession	21:06	38:54

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—N.Y. Jets, Ivory 9-44, Johnson 7-24, Vick 2-14, B.Powell 2-6, Smith 1-3. San Diego, Oliver 19-114, Brown 9-28, Dreessen 10-19, Rivers 2-3.

PASSING—N.Y. Jets, Vick 8-19-0-67, Smith 4-12-1-27. San Diego, Rivers 20-28-1-288.

RECEIVING—N.Y. Jets, Kerley 3-24, Amaro 3-19, Cumberland 2-13, Salas 2-13, Nelson 1-8, Johnson 1-(minus 2). San Diego, Oliver 4-68, Gates 4-60, Floyd 3-72, Royal 3-40, Allen 3-25, Ajirotutu 1-11, Green 1-8, Brown 1-4.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

BRONCOS 41, CARDINALS 20

Arizona	0	7	7	0 —20
Denver	7	14	3	17 —41

First Quarter

Ari—FG Catanzaro 33, 9:09
Den—J.Thomas 7 pass from Manning (McManus kick). 4:43

Ari—FG Catanzaro 48, 1:41

Second Quarter

Den—D.Thomas 31 pass from Manning (McManus kick). 7:30
Ari—Ellington 5 run (Catanzaro kick). 4:37
Den—D.Thomas 86 pass from Manning (McManus kick). 1:37

Third Quarter

Den—FG McManus 44, 9:33
Ari—Ellington 81 pass from Thomas (Catanzaro kick). 3:03

Fourth Quarter

Den—FG McManus 41, 13:48
Den—J.Thomas 12 pass from Manning (McManus kick). 7:47
Den—Thompson 8 run (McManus kick). 4:33
A—76,895

	Ari	Den
First downs	9	24
Total Net Yards	215	568
Rushes-yards	19-37	28-92
Passing	178	476
Comp-Att-int	12-34-0	31-47-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-21	1-3
Punts	11-44.3	4-49.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-15	7-67
Time of Possession	24:43	35:17

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Arizona, Ellington 16-32, Taylor 1-6, Hughes 1-0, Gim Jr. 1-(minus 1). Denver, Hillman 15-64, Thompson 3-15, Sanders 2-8, Ball 6-7, Manning 2-(minus 2)

PASSING—Arizona, Stanton 11-26-0-118. Thomas 1-8-0-81. Denver, Manning 31-47-2-479

RECEIVING—Arizona, Ellington 4-112, Fitzgerald 3-57, Carlson 2-19, Jo.Brown 2-4, Floyd 1-7. Denver, D.Thomas 8-226, Sanders 7-101, Welker 7-58, J.Thomas 5-66, Ball 2-11, Tamme 1-17.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Denver, McManus 53 (WL)

49ERS 22, CHIEFS 17

Kansas City	7	3	7	0 —17
San Francisco	3	10	3	6 —22

First Quarter

KC—Kelce 2 pass from A.Smith (Santos kick). 8:37
SF—FG Dawson 31, 4:36

Second Quarter

KC—FG Santos 42, 12:18
SF—FG Dawson 55, 9:44
SF—S.Johnson 9 pass from Kaepernick (Dawson kick). 31

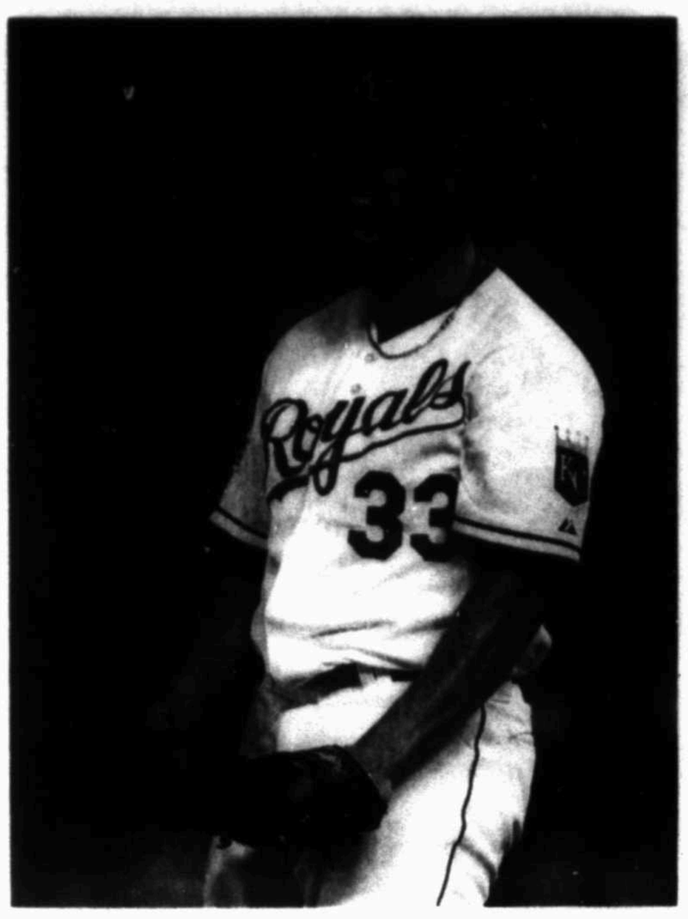
Third Quarter

KC—Thomas 17 pass from A.Smith (Santos kick). 11:56
SF—FG Dawson 52, 6:16

Fourth Quarter

SF—FG Dawson 27, 8:42
SF—FG Dawson 30, 2:12
A—70,799

	KC	SF
First downs	14	22
Total Net Yards	265	357
Rushes-yards	19-90	40-171
Passing	175	186
Comp-Att-int	17-31-1	14-27-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	0-0	3-15
Punts	4-40.3	2-53.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	4-29	2-10
Time of Possession	23:56	36:04



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Kansas City Royals starting pitcher James Shields (33) reacts after striking out the Los Angeles Angels' Chris Iannetta to end the the sixth inning of Game 3 of the AL Division Series in Kansas City, Mo. on Sunday.

ROYALS

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of diving grabs by center fielder Lorenzo Cain on back-to-back plays. All told, the highest-scoring team in baseball managed six runs in the entire series.

"Anything happens in the playoffs," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "You don't go in with any badge saying you won the most games, and you're certainly not going to get any points for that going into the playoffs."

As for the Royals, "they're going to be a team tough to beat in this tournament," he said.

Kansas City showed off great glovework in every game, especially by its fleet outfielders. In this one, Cain's catches in the fifth inning ended an Angels rally and preserved a five-run lead.

The Royals coasted the rest of the way to their seventh straight postseason victory dating to Game 5 of the 1985 World Series, the last time they were in the playoffs. George Brett, the star of that team, watched from an upstairs suite and raised his arms when ace closer Greg Holland fanned Trout for the final out.

This bunch of Royals is certainly making up for all that lost time.

Kansas City played a 12-inning thriller against Oakland in the wild card game, and a pair of 11-inning games in Los Angeles before returning home to an adoring crowd at Kauffman Stadium.

This one had none of the drama, not that anybody wearing blue cared.

After Trout staked his team to the lead, Angels starter C.J. Wilson quickly got into trouble. The left-hander with the $16 million price tag this season gave up consecutive singles and a four-pitch walk in the first inning to load the bases for Gordon, whose slicing two-out double gave Kansas City a 3-1 lead.

Sensing the game already slipping away, Scioscia immediately turned the game over to his bullpen. It didn't fare a whole lot better.

The Royals kept the pressure on, and even plodding designated hitter Billy Butler got in on the act, stealing second base to the roar of the crowd. It was his fifth career steal and first in two years, but it typified the way the Royals have been winning this postseason.

Dazzling pitching, daring baserunning and some dogged determination.

After swiping seven bases and playing small-ball against the A's, the club that hit the fewest homers in the regular season pounded out four long balls against Los Angeles.

Moustakas hit the first of them in the 11th inning of the opener, Hosmer hit the second in the 11th inning the next night, and both of them went deep to finish off the sweep.

Hosmer's two-run shot came in the third inning. Moustakas connected in the fourth.

Cruz leads Orioles past Tigers for ALDS sweep

By Noah Tristar
Associated Press

Carlos Osorio/AP

Baltimore Orioles relief pitcher Zach Britton (53) and catcher Nick Hundley celebrate after they defeated the Detroit Tigers in Game 3 of the AL Division Series on Sunday in Detroit.

Orioles	2
Tigers	1

Baltimore wins series, 3-0

DETROIT — A runaway title in a division of behemoths, then an unexpected sweep against a trio of Cy Young winners.

For Nelson Cruz, Buck Showalter and this unheralded bunch from Baltimore, the question now is: What's next?

Cruz sliced a two-run homer for his latest big postseason hit, and the Orioles held off the Detroit Tigers 2-1 Sunday to reach the AL Championship Series for the first time since 1997.

Bud Norris outpitched David Price in Game 3 of the AL Division Series. The Tigers scored in the ninth inning and put the tying run on second with no outs, but Orioles closer Zach Britton escaped the jam to lift Showalter into his first LCS in 16 seasons as a big league manager.

"This is fun to watch. Believe me, I'm happier than you can imagine," Showalter said. "But most of it comes from getting to see the players get what they've put into it."

Baltimore opens the ALCS on Friday at home against Kansas City. The Royals won the season series 4-3.

"We've got a lot to go and we're grinding," outfielder Adam Jones said. "If we play as a team, we can do anything."

So often an afterthought in the rugged AL East, the Orioles won their first division title since 1997 this year, dispatching the second-place New York Yankees by 12 games — and last-place Boston by more than double that margin. That put Baltimore up against another of the game's most star-laden rosters, and Miguel Cabrera, Justin Verlander and the Tigers couldn't manage a single win.

Cruz's homer Sunday was his 16th in postseason play, including eight against the Tigers. He was the MVP of the 2011 ALCS for Texas in a six-game victory over Detroit.

Cruz spent much of this past offseason without a team after serving a 50-game suspension last year for violating baseball's drug agreement.

"He knows things were self-inflicted," Showalter said. "He really wanted to re-establish himself, and we thought that we could provide a real good opportunity for him, and the sky might be the limit."

Norris pitched two-hit ball for 6 1-3 innings, and Andrew Miller got five straight outs to keep the shutout going.

Victor Martinez and J.D. Martinez opened the ninth with back-to-back doubles off Britton. Bryan Holaday struck out after a failed bunt attempt, and Showalter made the unconventional decision to put the winning run on base by intentionally walking Nick Castellanos.

That meant the bottom of Detroit's lineup would have to come through. The Tigers sent up Hernan Perez — who had five at-bats in the regular season — to pinch hit, and he bounced a 96 mph fastball into a 5-4-3 double play. It was Britton's second save of the series.

Cruz led the majors with 40 homers this season, and the Orioles topped baseball with 211. It was his two-run homer in the first inning of the opener that set the series' tone, and he came through again in the sixth inning against Price.

Cruz's drive cleared the wall in right, about 2 feet to the left of the foul pole.

Not bad for a guy the Orioles signed in late February. Cruz turned down a $14.1 million qualifying offer that would have kept him with Texas — but he ended up having to settle for an $8 million, one-year contract with Baltimore that included $750,000 in roster bonuses.

Cruz's powerful bat enabled the Orioles to withstand season-ending injuries to Manny Machado and Matt Wieters, as well as Chris Davis' 25-game suspension for an amphetamine violation.

"If you tell me before the series we're going to sweep, I don't believe it," Cruz said.

Detroit won its fourth straight AL Central this year. But after reaching at least the ALCS the last three seasons, Detroit couldn't make it there this year. The Tigers remain without a World Series title since 1984 — a drought one year shorter than Baltimore's.

"It's disappointing. You feel like you let the fans down and you feel like you let the organization down," said Brad Ausmus, who replaced Jim Leyland as Detroit's manager after last season.

Detroit acquired Price at this year's trade deadline, adding another impressive arm to an already-formidable rotation. Max Scherzer, Price and Verlander are the AL's last three Cy Young Award winners, and the Tigers started them all in this series. Verlander and Cabrera have combined for the last three MVP awards.

No use against a Baltimore team that had already surprised most of baseball with a 96-win regular season.

SCHEDULE AND BOXES

POSTSEASON BASEBALL GLANCE
x-if necessary
WILD CARD
Tuesday, Sept. 30: Kansas City 9, Oakland 8, 12 innings
Wednesday, Oct. 1: Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 2
Wednesday, Oct. 1: Los Angeles 5, Minnesota 4, 11 innings

DIVISION SERIES
(Best-of-5)
American League
All AL games televised by TBS
Baltimore 3, Detroit 0
Thursday, Oct. 2: Baltimore 10, Detroit 3
Friday, Oct. 3: Baltimore 7, Detroit 6
Sunday, Oct. 5: Baltimore 2, Detroit 1
Kansas 3, Los Angeles 0
Thursday, Oct. 2: Kansas City 9, Los Angeles 3, 11 innings
Friday, Oct. 3: Kansas City 5, Los Angeles 4, 11 innings
Sunday, Oct. 5: Kansas City 8, Los Angeles 3
National League
San Francisco 2, Washington 0
Friday, Oct. 3: San Francisco 3, Washington 2
Saturday, Oct. 4: San Francisco 2, Washington 1, 18 innings
Today: Washington (Strasburg 14-9) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 18-8), 8:07 p.m., MLB
x-Tuesday, Oct. 7: Washington at San Francisco, 8:07 p.m., (FS1)
x-Thursday, Oct. 9: San Francisco at Washington, 4:07 p.m., (FS1)
St. Louis 1, Los Angeles 1
Friday, Oct. 3: St. Louis 10, Los Angeles 9
Saturday, Oct. 4: Los Angeles 1, St. Louis 0
Today: Los Angeles (Ryu 14-7) at St. Louis (Lackey 13-8), 8:07 (FS1)
Tuesday, Oct. 7: Los Angeles (Haren 12-12) at St. Louis (Miller 9-9), 4:07 p.m., (FS1)
x-Thursday, Oct. 9: St. Louis at Los Angeles, 8:07 p.m., (FS1)

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
(Best-of-7)
American League
All AL games televised by TBS
Friday, Oct. 10: Kansas City at Baltimore
Saturday, Oct. 11: Kansas City at Baltimore
Monday, Oct. 13: Baltimore at Kansas City
Tuesday, Oct. 14: Baltimore at Kansas City
x-Wednesday, Oct. 15: Baltimore at Kansas City
x-Friday, Oct. 17: Kansas City at Baltimore
x-Saturday, Oct. 18: Kansas City at Baltimore
National League
Saturday, Oct. 11: St. Louis-Los Angeles winner at Washington OR San Francisco at St. Louis-Los Angeles winner (Fox)
Sunday, Oct. 12: St. Louis-Los Angeles winner at Washington OR San Francisco at St. Louis-Los Angeles winner (FS1)
Tuesday, Oct. 14: Washington at St. Louis-Los Angeles winner OR St. Louis-Los Angeles winner at San Francisco (FS1)
Wednesday, Oct. 15: Washington at St. Louis-Los Angeles winner OR St. Louis-Los Angeles winner at San Francisco (FS1)
x-Thursday, Oct. 16: Washington at St. Louis-Los Angeles winner OR St. Louis-Los Angeles winner at San Francisco (Fox)
x-Saturday, Oct. 18: St. Louis-Los Angeles winner at Washington OR San Francisco at St. Louis-Los Angeles winner (Fox)
x-Sunday, Oct. 19: St. Louis-Los Angeles winner at Washington OR San Francisco at St. Louis-Los Angeles winner (FS1)

WORLD SERIES
(Best-of-7)
All games televised by Fox
Tuesday, Oct. 21: at American League
Wednesday, Oct. 22: at AL
Friday, Oct. 24: at National League
Saturday, Oct. 25: at NL
x-Sunday, Oct. 26: at NL
x-Tuesday, Oct. 28: at AL
x-Wednesday, Oct. 29: at AL

SATURDAY'S BOXES
ALDS
ORIOLES 2, TIGERS 1

Baltimore	ab	r	h	bi	Detroit	ab	r	h	bi
Markakis rf	4	0	1	0	Kinsler 2b	4	0	0	0
Pearce 1b	3	0	0	0	Steiner rf	3	0	0	0
A.Jones cf	3	1	1	0	McCann 1b	4	0	0	0
N.Cruz dh	4	1	2	2	V.Mrtnz dh	4	1	1	0
Teagarden c	4	0	0	0	J.Mrtnz rf	4	0	1	1
Lough lf	3	0	0	0	Avila c	2	0	1	0
J.Hardy ss	4	0	1	0	Holaday c	2	0	0	0
Hundley c	4	0	0	0	Castillo 3b	2	0	0	0
J.Schoop lf	3	0	1	0	Ar.Rmrez ss	3	0	0	0
J.Schoop 2b	3	0	0	0	H.Perez ph	1	0	0	0
					D.Kelly cf	2	0	1	0
					R.Davis ph	1	0	0	0
					Garner rf	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	2	5	2	Totals	32	1	4	1

Baltimore .000 002 000—2
Detroit .000 000 001—1

E—J.Hardy (1). DP—Baltimore 1. LOB—Baltimore 5, Detroit 7. 2B—V.Martinez (2), J.Martinez (1). HR—N.Cruz (2). SB—Schoop (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
B.Norris W,1-0	6 1-3	2	0	0	2	6
A.Miller	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Z.Britton S,2-2	1	2	1	1	1	1
Detroit						
D.Price L,0-1	8	5	2	2	2	6
Nathan	0	0	0	0	0	1

HBP—by D.Price (Pearce). WP—B.Norris.
T—3:41. A—43,013 (41,681).

ROYALS 8, ANGELS 3

Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi	Kansas City	ab	r	h	bi
Calhoun rf	5	0	1	0	A.Escobar ss	5	1	2	0
Trout cf	4	1	1	1	Aoki rf	3	2	3	1
Pujols 1b	4	1	1	1	J.Dyson pr-cf	1	0	0	0
H.Kendrick 2b	4	1	1	0	L.Cain cf-rf	3	1	1	1
Aybar ss	4	0	4	0	Hosmer 1b	3	1	1	2
Freese 3b	3	0	0	0	B.Butler dh	2	1	0	0
J.Hamilton lf	4	0	0	1	A.Gordon lf	4	0	1	3
Giron dh	3	0	0	0	S.Perez c	4	0	0	0
Iannetta c	3	0	0	0	Infante 2b	3	1	0	0
Conger ph	1	0	0	0	Moustka 3b	4	1	1	1
Totals	35	3	8	3	Totals	32	8	9	8

Los Angeles .100 100 010—3
Kansas City .302 201 00x—8

LOB—Los Angeles 8, Kansas City 6. 2B—H.Kendrick (1), Aybar (1), A.Gordon (2). HR—Trout (1), Pujols (1), Hosmer (2), Moustakas (2). SB—Aybar (1), B.Butler (1). SF—L.Cain.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
C.Wilson L,0-1	2-3	3	3	3	1	1
Pestano	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
H.Santiago	1 1-3	1	2	2	2	0
Morin	1	3	2	2	0	1
Salas	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Grilli	1	0	0	0	0	1
Jepsen	1-3	2	1	1	1	0
Cor.Rasmus	2 2-3	0	0	0	1	2
Kansas City						
Shields W,1-0	6	6	2	2	2	6
K.Herrera	1	0	0	0	0	1
W.Davis	1	2	1	1	0	2
G.Holland	1	0	0	0	0	2

HBP—by Shields (Freese). WP—Morin, Shields.
T—3:38. A—40,657 (37,903).

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THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Indianapolis at Houston	Baltimore at Tampa Bay
Chicago at Atlanta	Jacksonville at Tennessee
New England at Buffalo	San Diego at Oakland
Carolina at Cincinnati	Washington at Arizona
Pittsburgh at Cleveland	Dallas at Seattle
Green Bay at Miami	NY Giants at Philadelphia
Detroit at Minnesota	Illinois at Wisconsin
Denver at NY Jets	Penn State at Michigan

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Wilson wins Dunhill Links for first European title

By Bernie McGuire
Associated Press

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Oliver Wilson held off Rory McIlroy to capture his first European Tour title with a one-shot victory in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.

Wilson shot a 2-under 70 in the final round on the Old Course at St. Andrews as McIlroy came up just short after a bogey on the 17th hole. Wilson finished at 17-under 271, with McIlroy (68) in a three-way tie for second with Richie Ramsay of Scotland and Tommy Fleetwood of England.

The 34-year old Wilson, currently ranked 792nd in the world, had finished second nine times in his 227 previous tour events, but lost his card two years ago and was competing this week on an invitation.

"It's all really hard to believe as I have dreamed of this moment many times in my career, and in the circumstances it has happened I can't believe it," said Wilson, who started the day with a three-shot lead. "So it's a dream come true to win a tournament as St. Andrews because three, four weeks ago my career was looking pretty grim. It's just amazing what is possible playing professional golf."

McIlroy started with a double bogey but then made four straight birdies and picked up two more shots after the turn before putting from off the green and into the infamous Road Hole bunker at the 17th. At the first hole, his ball spun back off the green into the Swilcan Burn.

Mirim Lee wins 2nd LPGA title at Reignwood Classic

Associated Press

BEIJING — South Korea's Mirim Lee won the second title of her rookie LPGA Tour season, shooting a 5-under 69 in the final round on Sunday to capture the Reignwood Classic by two strokes.

Starting the day tied for third, Lee birdied three holes on the front nine and added two more on No. 16 and 18 to offset one bogey. She finished at 15-under 277.

Lee's first LPGA victory came just two months ago at the Meijer LPGA Classic, where she beat her third-ranked countrywoman Inbee Park in a playoff.

"I really didn't think I would get my second win this quickly," Lee said. "I was a lot more nervous this time than first time around."

Top-ranked Stacy Lewis and Caroline Hedwall, the co-overnight leaders, both fell short on a windy final day at Pine Valley Golf Club.

Hedwall, who was aiming for her first LPGA title, shot a 73 to finish second at 13 under.

"It was tougher out there today," the Swede said. "I think most girls out there were struggling a little bit with the wind, because it's a tough golf course in the wind."

GOLF SCORES

PGA European

Alfred Dunhill Links Championship Scores
Sunday
At St. Andrews and Carnoustie, Scotland
s-St. Andrews (Old Course): 7,305 yards, par-72
c-Carnoustie (Championship Course): 7,412 yards, par-72
k-Kingsbarns Golf Links: 7,210 yards, par-72
Purse: $4.8 million
Final
Final round played at St. Andrews

Oliver Wilson, England	64c-72k-65s-70—271
Richie Ramsay, Scotland	69c-68k-68s-67—272
R. McIlroy, Northern Ireland	73c-67k-64s-68—272
Tommy Fleetwood, England	69c-73k-62s-68—272
Chris Doak, Scotland	70c-67k-70s-66—273
Richard Sterne, South Africa	73c-66k-68s-67—274
Shane Lowry, Ireland	68k-70s-71c-67—274
L. Oosthuizen, South Africa	70c-74k-62s-68—274
B. Koepka, United States	70c-73k-64s-68—275
Chris Wood, England	70s-68c-66k-70—275
Mark Foster, England	68c-72k-70s-66—276
Marcel Siem, Germany	69s-71c-68k-68—276
R.-Jan Derksen, Netherlands	73k-70s-63c-70—276
Bernd Wiesberger, Austria	71c-71k-67s-68—277
David Howell, England	70c-72k-68s-67—277
Robert Karlsson, Sweden	72c-68k-68s-69—277
Ryan Palmer, United States	69c-68k-68s-72—277
Richard Green, Australia	68k-71s-71c-68—277
Paul Lawrie, Scotland	69k-72s-68c-69—278
Soren Hansen, Denmark	72c-68k-69s-69—278
Peter Uihlein, United States	73c-69k-69s-67—278
Thomas Pieters, Belgium	73s-73c-65k-67—278
Padraig Harrington, Ireland	66c-70k-71s-71—278
Raphael Jacquelin, France	65c-70k-69s-74—278

Also

Marc Warren, Scotland	73s-70c-68k-68—279
G. Coetzee, South Africa	71c-67k-68s-73—279
Ernie Els, South Africa	71c-74k-65s-70—280
Thongchai Jaidee, Thailand	71c-71k-68s-70—280
Pablo Larrazabal, Spain	71s-73c-68k-68—280
Stephen Gallacher, Scotland	68c-70k-69s-73—280
Paul McGinley, Ireland	72c-70k-69s-70—281
Paul Casey, England	69c-73k-66s-74—282
Francesco Molinari, Italy	74c-70k-68s-70—282
Edoardo Molinari, Italy	73c-68k-70s-73—284

LPGA

Reignwood Classic Scores
Sunday
At Pine Valley Golf Club
Beijing
Purse: $2.1 million
Yardage: 6,585; Par: 73
Final

Mirim Lee, $315,000	70-68-70-69—277
Caroline Hedwall, $192,103	67-71-68-73—279
Haeji Kang, $111,310	69-72-70-69—280
Inbee Park, $111,310	69-72-68-71—280
Brittany Lang, $111,310	70-66-72-72—280
Mi Hyang Lee, $65,209	69-76-69-67—281
Stacy Lewis, $65,209	66-68-72-75—281
Pornanong Phatlum, $49,433	72-75-67-68—282
Ilhee Lee, $49,433	69-70-71-72—282
Chella Choi, $42,596	71-70-70-72—283
Mariajo Uribe, $36,916	73-69-72-70—284
Yanhong Pan, $36,916	71-68-73-72—284
Suzann Pettersen, $36,916	74-66-70-74—284
Yubing Shi, $32,394	74-69-68-74—285
Pernilla Lindberg, $28,187	72-70-71-74—287
Kelly Tan, $28,187	74-70-69-74—287
Belen Mozo, $28,187	69-69-72-77—287
Caroline Masson, $28,187	70-68-71-78—287
Na Yeon Choi, $22,523	75-71-69-73—288
Sandra Gal, $22,523	72-69-72-75—288
Jenny Shin, $22,523	68-73-72-75—288
Yani Tseng, $22,523	69-75-69-75—288
Mi Jung Hur, $22,523	73-71-67-77—288
So Yeon Ryu, $22,523	72-69-70-77—288

TCU back in Top 10

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — TCU coach Gary Patterson knows the real measure for his team in the Big 12 Conference comes after beating then-No. 4 Oklahoma.

In the minutes after the Horned Frogs pulled off a 37-33 victory over the eight-time Big 12 champion Sooners, with TCU fans still scattered on the field celebrating outside, Patterson delivered that reminder to his players in the locker room.

"Why are you guys so excited? If you want to be the program that you want to become, you've got to act like you just beat Minnesota or you just beat Samford or whoever you play," Patterson told them. "Because you guys gotta do it next week. That's what this league is all about."

Their reward for beating Oklahoma? The Frogs (4-0, 1-0 Big 12) moved to No. 9 in the new AP poll Sunday and have to get ready for another matchup of undefeated teams next Saturday at No. 5 Baylor (5-0, 2-0), the defending Big 12 champ.

"We know we've got a tough October," Patterson said. "I've watched across the nation, and people make mistakes. They win games and put too much into it, and the next week they just don't show up."

A week after its 2014 debut in the Top 25, TCU made a 16-spot jump Sunday in a new poll shaken up by all the upsets. The Frogs, in their third Big 12 season, are in the Top 10 for the first time since the final poll of the 2010 season, when they were No. 2 behind Auburn after finishing 13-0 with a Rose Bowl victory over Wisconsin.

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been beset by injuries. It has left star quarterback Marcus Mariota exposed and the running game sputtering. The defense has been shaky, too, ranking 79th nationally in yards per play. Oregon might not be capable of separating from the rest of the Pac-12, a conference filled with dangerous and unpredictable teams.

Alabama: The Crimson Tide is tied for 104th on the country in turnover margin at minus-4, a startling stat for a Saban team. Turnovers can be fluky. Maybe that corrects itself. Maybe not. The good news for the Tide is if any SEC West team can be said to have an accommodating remaining schedule it's Alabama. The Tide gets Arkansas, Tennessee and LSU (combined seven losses) on the road and Texas A&M, Mississippi State and Auburn at home.

Oklahoma: It wouldn't be fair to lay all the blame for the Sooners' loss on Trevor Knight, but when the quarterback plays a wildly inconsistent game on the road against a good team, it's a recipe for an upset. Most of the Sooners other vital signs are good, including home games against Kansas State, Baylor and Oklahoma State.

UCLA: The Bruins don't block well and injuries aren't to blame, which makes their problems seem worse than the Ducks. It would also be nice if talented quarterback Brett Hundley would get rid of the ball more quickly or be given more plays where that is the directive.

The biggest loser of this weekend might have been the Pac-12. The conference seems most likely to be a cluttered mess, which could be a problem come playoff selection time. And what looked as if it would be one of the league's games of the year — Oregon at UCLA on Saturday — now has two teams coming off losses.

GOING UP

SEC football in the state of Mississippi has never been better.

The Rebels and Bulldogs — or the Bulldogs and Rebels, if you prefer — are tied for third in the Top 25. It's the first time they have been in the top-five together, and the best ranking for Mississippi State ever. The Bulldogs even received two first-place votes.

By sweeping a huge Magnolia State doubleheader Saturday, the teams set off a statewide celebration and guaranteed at least one more week in the spotlight.

The Bulldogs play No. 2 Auburn at home next Saturday and the Rebels travel to No. 14 Texas A&M.

"The reward in the SEC of winning a huge game is you get another one next week," Mississippi State coach Dan Mullen said Sunday while clicking is way through game film of Auburn.

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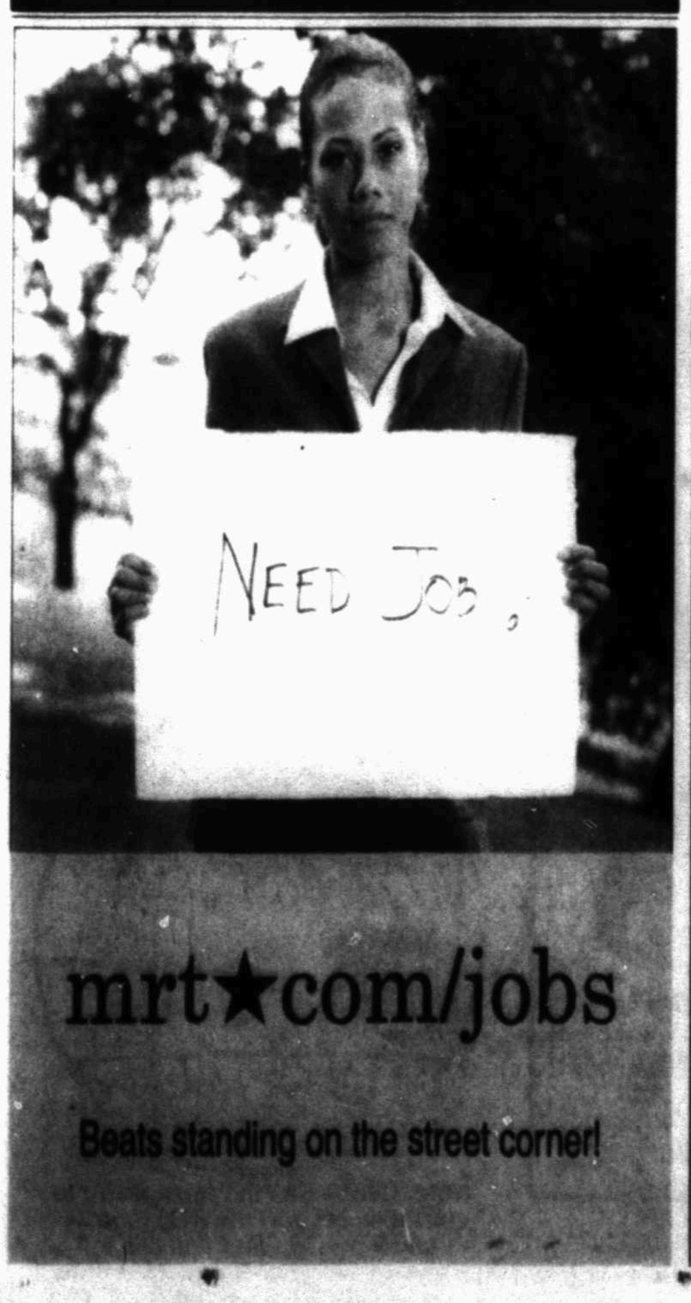

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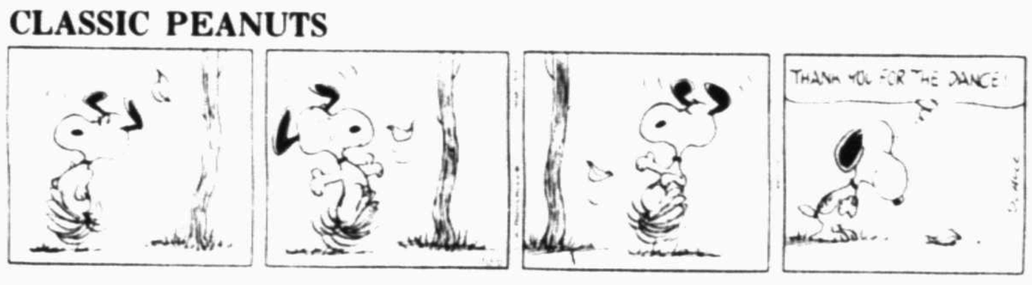

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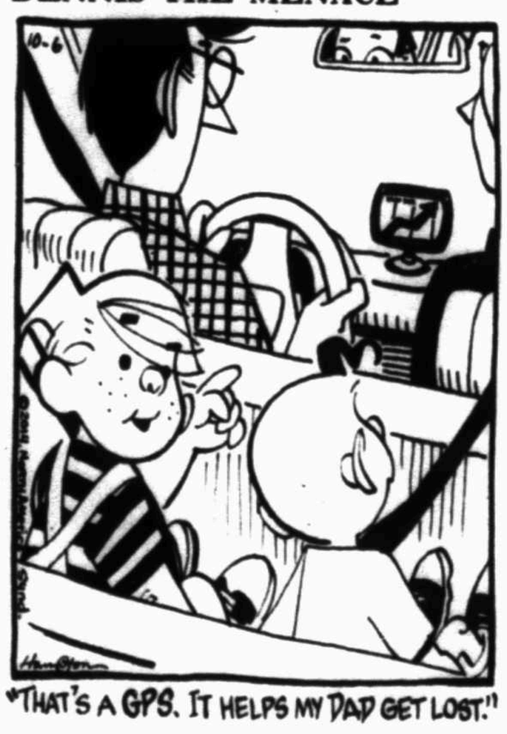

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"IT'S OKAY IF I CRITICIZE LEROY, BUT NOT HIS SPORTS TEAMS."

FAMILY CIRCUS

Note: Daddy has the week after his birthday off, so little Billy (age 7) takes pun in hand and fills in.

TODAY: Sunny — High: 89 Low: 59

TUESDAY: Sunny — High: 92 Low: 66

WEDNESDAY: Partly sunny — High: 89 Low: 67

THURSDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 86 Low: 63

FRIDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 79 Low: 59

SATURDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 75 Low: 60

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 89 and calm winds becoming southwest around 5 mph in the afternoon. Tonight's forecast calls for clear conditions with a low around 59 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph.

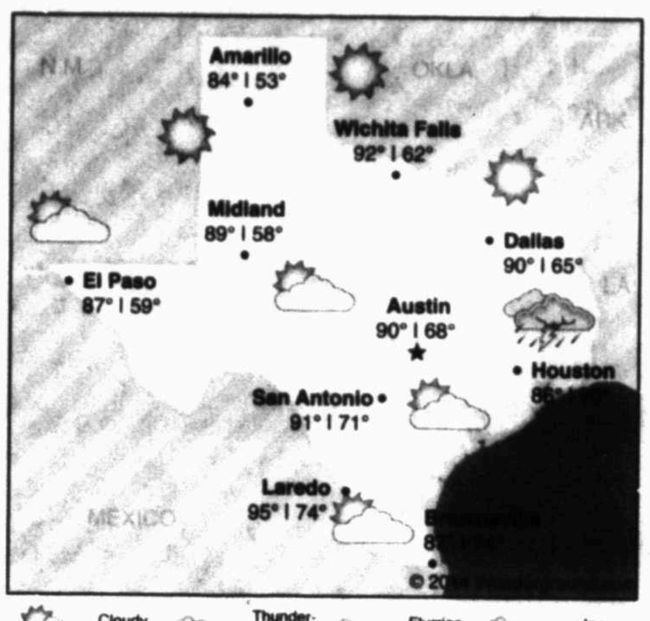
Tuesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 92 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph. Expect mostly clear conditions at night, with a low around 66 and south winds around 10 mph.

Wednesday, the forecast calls for partly sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 89 and a low around 67.

The high on Sunday reached 90, while the low dropped to 55. The record high for Oct. 5 is 98 set in 1937. The record low is 36 set in 1932.

National forecast

The cold front of one storm system will create strong thunderstorms from Arkansas and northern Mississippi to Tennessee. Along the tail end of the front, weaker thunderstorms will affect eastern Oklahoma and East Texas.



Partly Cloudy · Cloudy · Showers · Thunder-storms · Rain · Flurries · Snow · Ice

Precipitation

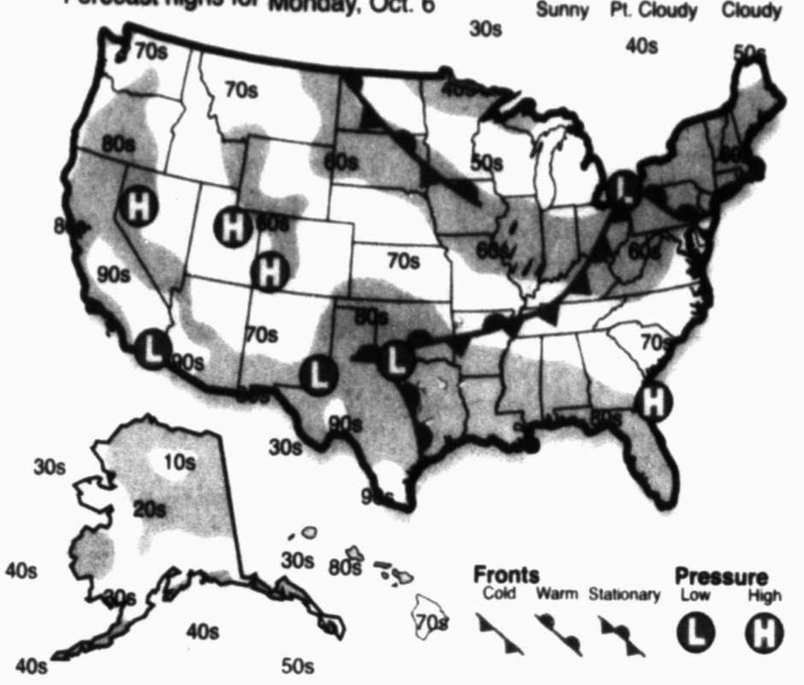
Saturday	0.00 in.
Sunday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.43 in.
Year total	6.43 in.
Normal total (year to date)	11.91 in.

Sunday's temperatures

High	90
Low	55
Normal high	81
Normal low	56
Sunrise	7:46 a.m.
Sunset	7:27 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Monday, Oct. 6



Office trainer seeks right way to dress-down code violators

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I am a male in the training department at my office. A lot of times, because the people I train are new hires, there are dress code violations from people who appear to be testing the limits. Most of the violations involve women who wear clothing that's too revealing, in spite of the fact they receive a document at the start of training explaining what is and is not appropriate attire.

I feel uncomfortable addressing dress code issues with the opposite sex. I have always asked a female in the department to do it for me. My problem is, my manager has told me I need to be able to deal with issues like this if I want to move forward in my career.

My question to you and your readers is, as a woman, would you feel more uncomfortable with a male boss addressing a "too much cleavage" or "skirt too short" issue than you would with another female? And have you any suggestions for wording in these situations? — DRESSED FOR SUCCESS IN VIRGINIA

DEAR DRESSED FOR SUCCESS: Speaking for myself, I think I'd prefer to hear that message from another woman — however, MY preference is beside the point. You have a job to do, and that is to enforce the rules of your company. So when you tell a female employee that she's not complying with the dress code, use the wording in the employee handbook or the document the person received when she was hired. (Hopefully, the wording is specific.)

DEAR ABBY: I have a question about where and when to have a retirement party. I know it's inappropriate for families to host a baby shower, but is that true of a retirement party?

My husband has worked for a nonprofit for 14 years and will retire in a few months. There isn't an appropriate site for a party at his work. I have suggested an open house at our home a couple of weeks after his retirement date. My daughter thinks her house would be better because we are not supposed to have it.

My son-in-law dislikes entertaining at home, so I know it would be stressful for them. If we have it at our house, we can encourage friends and co-workers to come over again and stay in touch. I love to entertain and would happily prepare the food and decorate. Am I on the right track, Abby? — HAPPY THAT HUBBY'S RETIRING

DEAR HAPPY: You're absolutely on the right track. No rule of etiquette forbids you from hosting the party for your husband if you wish.

According to Emily Post: "A retirement party may ... be given by family and friends instead of — or in addition to — a company party. It's generally a good idea to invite a few of the retiree's close work mates. Because they share a work history with the retiree, they'll be able to speak of specific accomplishments in any speeches and toasts."

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ K J 2 ♡ 10 8 6 ◇ A J 8 2 ♣ A 3 2

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1◇	Pass	1♡	Pass
1NT	Pass	2◇	Pass

What call would you make?

A — Partner's bid is a sign-off and you should respect it. Don't be tempted to bid two hearts. Pass.

Q 2 — North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ Void ♡ Q 5 4 ◇ A Q J 8 6 4 ♣ J 7 6 3

Partner deals and passes. Right-hand opponent also passes. What call would you make?

A — This hand meets the standards for an opening one-bid in third position, but the spade void suggests that competition is coming. We prefer to up the pressure. Open two diamonds.

Q 3 — East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ Q 8 ♡ A Q 8 7 2 ◇ A K 9 7 5 ♣ J

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♡	Pass	1♠	Pass

What call would you make?

A — Don't be tempted to re-bid three diamonds. That call would create a game force and this hand isn't quite good enough for that. Bid two diamonds.

Q 4 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A K 10 5 ♡ A J 8 3 ◇ K 10 9 ♣ A K

As dealer, what call would you make?

A — The point ranges for no-trump openings have varied slightly over time. In modern bridge, a two no-trump opening shows 20-21 high-card points. This hand is too good for that. Open two clubs and re-bid two no-trump.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Oct. 6, 2014:

This year you commit to a strong exercise program that works for you. Often you could experience a buildup of feelings that nearly seems to take control of you. Through mediation or exercise, you will experience a little more stability. Root out the causes of these feelings, especially anger. If you are single, someone will arrive on the scene, but the implications of the tie might make you uncomfortable. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy your friends and spend a lot of time with them. A conscious decision you make as a couple proves to be beneficial. PISCES often seems so emotional that you might want to back off.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ You might express a volatile quality unintentionally. You are quite capable of doing the unexpected, or even leading a mini-revolution! You'll work with the awkwardness of various situations, even if you're unsure which side of the fence you're on. Tonight: Settle in.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You might want to kick back and consider what would be best. A sudden insight on top of a sense of incompleteness is likely to hold you back. A friend could be overly assertive. As a result, you probably will decide to back off. Tonight: Let off some steam.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Others seem to be difficult, and no matter which way you choose to go, you'll notice that there is a transformation afoot. Laughter surrounds a personal matter. Try to be less social and more academic. Get into a project or two. Tonight: Choose a favorite form of relaxation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Detach, but don't be surprised if you still are pulled into various situations. Look at the major issues, and remain understanding to those who do not have your ability to take in the big picture. Accept additional responsibility for now. Tonight: Put on a great piece of music.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Someone knows how to lure you into accepting the wisdom of his or her ways. You will have to decide whether you're willing to be pulled in. Nevertheless, you might enjoy the excitement of seeing life through someone else's eyes. Tonight: Go along with a suggestion.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Others continue to dominate the scene. You like that they assume this role, and as a result, you can have a very powerful discussion that you have postponed. Guard against harboring any anger that really has nothing to do with the here and now. Tonight: Decide not to be alone.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ Pace yourself, as you'll have a lot to do. Someone close to you could create some uproar. The timing of this will be what throws you off. Shrug off the situation, as you cannot change this person. You might want to isolate yourself. Tonight: Off to the gym.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You'll be emotionally invested in a situation that involves a new friend. Being in denial certainly won't help. Open up and see the effect that this person has on you. You don't need to behave like a turtle that keeps hiding deep in its shell. Tonight: Observe, but be present.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You might want to do something very differently, yet you can't seem to change courses at the moment. Know that you'll be able to head in your chosen direction given some time. A domestic matter or an issue involving real estate could be in your thoughts. Tonight: Make it easy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You could be more in touch with an emotional matter involving a friend and/or a goal. Relax, and you'll find that you will be on top of the problem very soon. Be careful with any anger you have, as you no longer can sit on it. Tonight: Visit with a loved one.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ You might want to handle a personal matter in a different way. You could discover that a friend is pushing your buttons because he or she wants to make an implicit demand. Use caution with your feelings. Be willing to support yourself and say "no." Tonight: Pay the bills.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You'll smile, but somehow you could irritate a key person in your life. This person might be a bit jealous, or perhaps the issue has nothing to do with you. Try to be polite, and understand that you might not know this individual completely. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.

BORN TODAY

Inventor George Westinghouse (1846), actress Elisabeth Shue (1963), singer/songwriter Millie Small (1946)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Club joke teller
6 Misfortunes
10 Motel worker
14 Traditional Pennsylvania barn raisers
15 Tide type
16 Ploy
17 Letter-routing number
19 Overly submissive
20 Poker hand prize
21 Thai language
22 Baker that "nobody doesn't like"
24 __ cum laude
26 Beer barrel
27 Can in an Andy Warhol painting
32 __ New Guinea
33 Hairy Addams cousin
34 Norwegian capital
36 Fancy flower vase
37 Hat for a Western hero
41 Former Mideast alliance: Abbr.
42 Emily Dickinson, e.g.
44 Apt name for a painter
45 How the elated walk
47 World Series setting
51 "2001" computer
52 Mars neighbor
53 Traveled around 52-Across, say
57 Mates for mas
58 Chicken __ king
61 Fight-or-flight emotion
62 California Gold Rush figure
65 Fly like a butterfly
66 Reverse
67 Early morning hr.
68 Heavy drinkers
69 Jump
70 Yellowish-brown

DOWN

1 Dogpatch creator Al
2 Melville novel
3 Light fog
4 Suffix with Marx
5 Fried Taco Bell offerings
6 It may be gross or net
7 MGM mascot
8 Boys
9 Has a talk with
10 Nearsighted toon
11 "The Mammoth Hunters" author Jean
12 "Got it"
13 Fake on the ice
18 Ram's offspring
23 Hi-__ monitor
24 Church-owned Texas sch.
25 Not very much
27 Chocolate substitute
28 Sleep disorder
29 Ranks for Columbo and Kojak: Abbr.
30 Customary
31 Tartan pattern
32 Coyote's offspring
35 Hockey legend Bobby
38 Enough food for a feast
39 Mesozoic or Paleozoic
40 "That's a fact" rebuttal
43 Saloon souvenirs
46 Old Testament book before Esth.
48 Break bread
49 Computer on an airplane tray table
50 Unravel at the edge, as threads
53 Switch positions
54 Move, in real estate lingo
55 Switch partner
56 Fully cooked
58 All over again
59 Low in fat
60 Soldier's group, a member of which might be stationed at the start of 17-, 27-, 47- or 62-Across
63 Old vitamin bottle no.
64 Once __ while

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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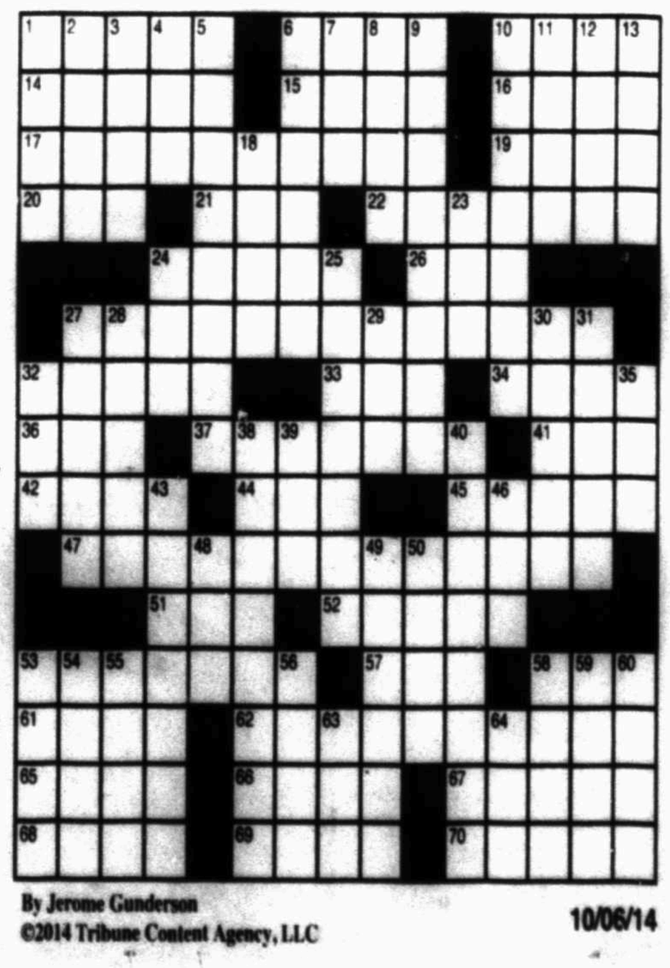

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Please check your ad the first day it appears, and, if you find a mistake, please call our office at 682-6222 so we can correct the error immediately. This will ensure that your ad is exactly what you want readers to see. If an error does occur, you can choose to rerun your ad once for free, or we'll gladly refund the cost of the portion of the ad affected by the error. If an ad is inadvertently omitted, we will assume liability up to the cost of the ad itself – consequently, we will publish your ad in our next available edition or refund the price you have paid.

Rate charges are determined at the time of placement. All ads accepted are subject to credit approval. Some classifications require payment in advance. Credit applications are required for business accounts.

We welcome suggestions or comments. Please call Jen Houston, Advertising Sales Manager, 687-8894

DEADLINES:

WORD ADS:

PUBLISHES ON:	DEADLINE IS:
Tues, Wed, Thu, Fri	5p.m. Prior Day
Saturday	12p.m. Friday
Sunday	5p.m. Friday
Monday	5p.m. Friday

DISPLAY ADS:

PUBLISHES ON:	DEADLINE IS:
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Thursday	3p.m. Tuesday
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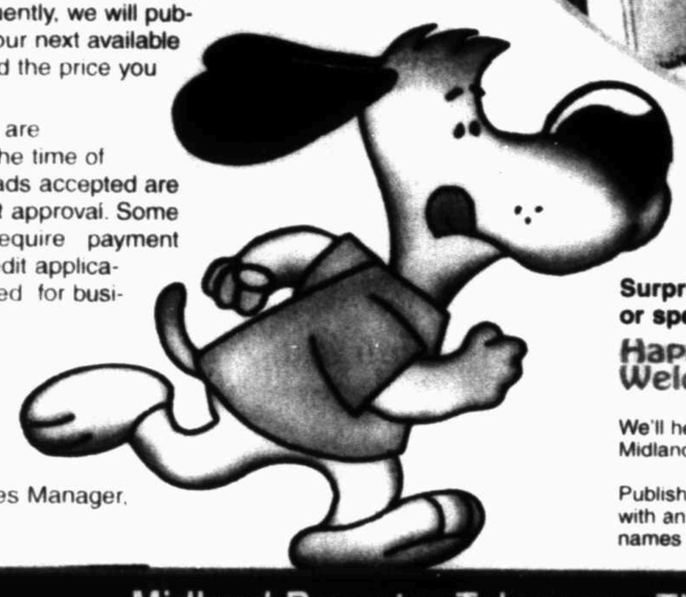
Tuesday	3p.m. Friday



HAPPY ADS

Surprise your child, parent, or special friend with a Happy Ad!

Happy Birthday! Congratulations! Welcome Home! Graduation Day!

We'll help you design something unique and publish it in the Midland Reporter-Telegram Classifieds...whatever the occasion!

Publish a special memorial to mark the passing of a loved one with an "In Memory Of" ad. Include a poem, prayer, and/or the names of all who care. Also, express your appreciation to everyone who brought food, sent flowers, or was there for you when you needed them most with a "Card of Thanks." We'll help you design a respectful, thoughtful ad.

Ads containing art or photos need to be in our office 2 working days before the ad is to be published and we ask that you pay in advance.

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You Can Email your Classified Ad to: mrtclassified@mrt.com

Passenger Cars

USED CAR FACTORY

Weekend Only Price Reduction Sale!

3912 W. Wall St. • Midland, TX
432-559-7700

11 Ford F250 Lariat Diesel
Leather, All Power Options, New Tires, Super Clean, 118k Miles
~~$31,900~~
$30,570

12 Dodge 3500 Dually Laramie Diesel
Leather, Moonroof, TV DVD, Navigation, Like New, 65k Miles
~~$45,900~~
$44,810

10 Dodge Challenger SRT
Hemi, 6 Speed, Leather, Nav, Custom Suspension, 25k Miles
~~$28,965~~
$28,965

10 Chevy Suburban LT 4x4
Leather, TV DVD, Moonroof, New Tires, 81k Miles
~~$24,900~~
$23,888

10 Chevy Tahoe LT 4x4
Leather, New Tires 4 Captain Seats, 92k Miles
~~$21,900~~
$20,863

08 Lincoln Navigator 4x4
Leather, Moonroof, Immaculate, 96k Miles
~~$18,900~~
$17,780

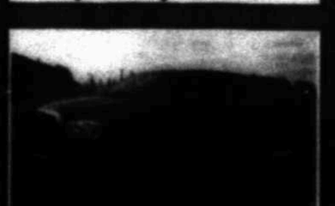
08 Ford F350 Lariat Diesel
Leather, Towing Package, All Power Options 85k Miles
~~$19,900~~
$18,640

11 GMC 2500HD Diesel 4x4
Z71, All Power, Like New, 92k Miles
~~$32,900~~
$31,998

08 Cadillac Escalade ESV
AWD Nav, Moonroof, TV DVD, 102k Miles
~~$23,900~~
$22,979

09 BMW 128I Convertible
Leather, All Power Options, Power Top, 50k Miles
~~$17,900~~
$16,868

1931 Ford All Steel Roadster
302 w Aluminum Heads, 2 Carbs, Leather, 4 Speed, Amazing Showtime with only 1000 Miles
~~$29,900~~
$28,990

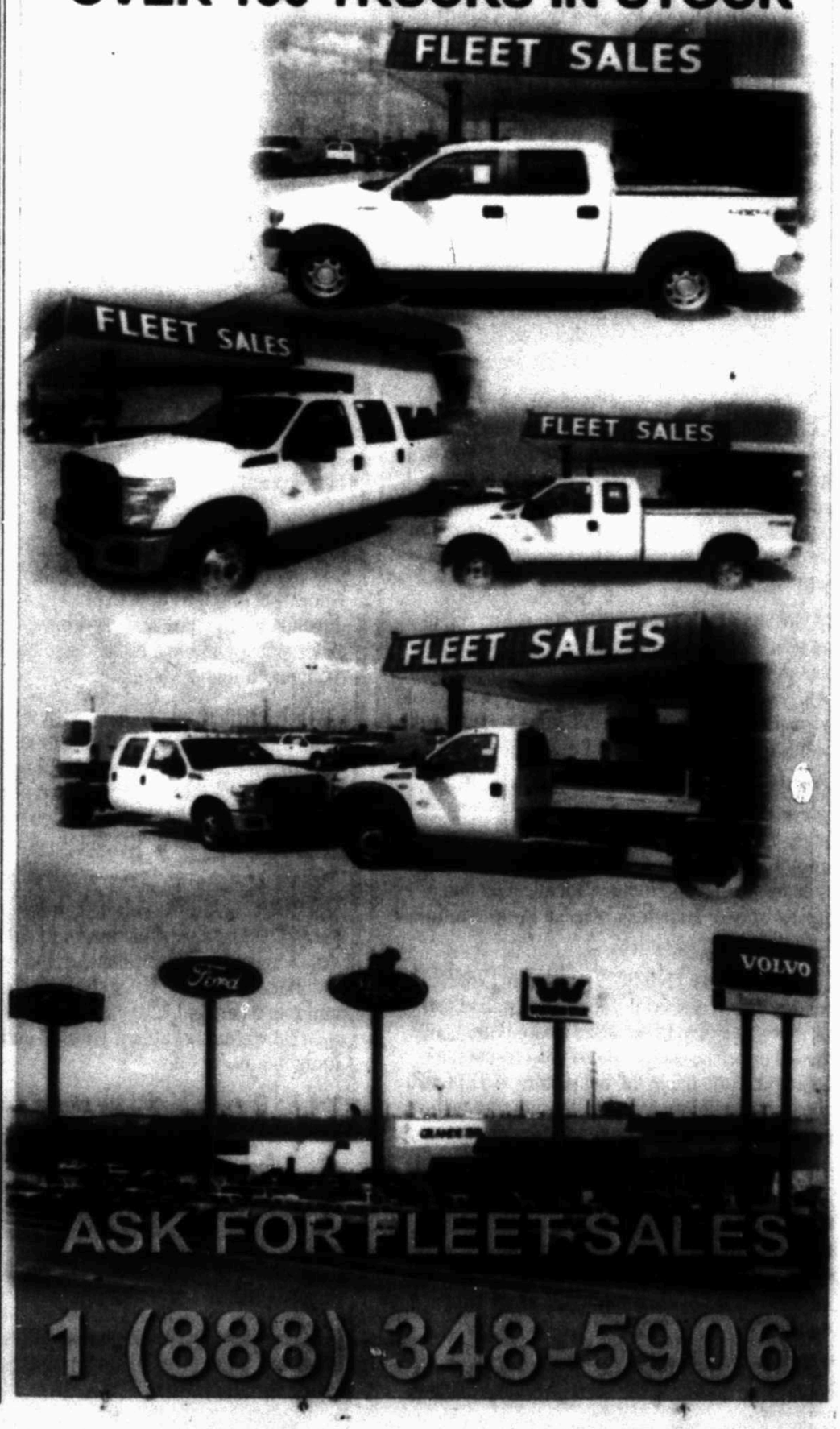


07 Dodge Mega Cab 4x4 Laramie
Leather, Camper, Custom Wheels
~~$19,900~~
$18,850

Passenger Cars

GRANDE TRUCK CENTER
San Antonio

OVER 100 TRUCKS IN STOCK



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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Tax/Oil Accountant

Midland based independent Oil and Gas Company seeking Tax/Oil and Gas Accountant. Requirements include CPA with federal and state income tax experience. Oil and gas accounting experience preferred. Seeking hard working, detail oriented individual. Qualified applicants email resume to lynday@forl.com

AUTOMOTIVE

ATTENTION TECHNICIANS!!! Immediate opening for well-trained Technicians. Sign on bonus for GM and ASE certified techs. Great pay, Vacation, 401k, Paid training, Paid holidays, Year-end bonus, Fair dispatch, New lifts, Outstanding parts inventory, and much more. Must have own tools. Diesel Experience a plus. Work where you are treated like family not just an employee. Call Tim @ 432-267-7421 for more info.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Admin Assistant

Answering telephones, collections, cash transactions, running errands, sending statements and making deposits. Send Resumes to: Box P-113c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E Illinois, Midland, TX 79701

EDUCATION & TRAINING

CHILD CARE WORKER

MRS. IRENE'S CHILD CARE FT/PT

Immediate openings Full and Part-time Child Care Worker. Wages start at $11 & $12/hour. Paid holidays and vacation. Apply in person at 1007 Austin St., Midland. Call 432-520-8888.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

IOS INSPECTION OILFIELD SERVICES

WE ARE HIRING

Inspection Oilfield Services (IOS) has immediate openings in our Midland, TX location for the following positions:

- Laborers
- Level II Certified Drill Tool Inspectors
- Inspector Helpers
- Inventory Specialists
- EMI Operators
- Operations Managers
- Inspecting Supervisors

Applicants must be able to pass a background check, be proficient in English, have a valid driver's license, and be available 24/7 while on call

START WORKING IMMEDIATELY

Apply in person at 2600 E I-20, Midland, TX 79706 or by submitting a resume to Resume@iosinspection.com

HEALTHCARE

Available Positions

Desert Gardens Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
3203 Sage Street
Midland, TX 79705

Desert Gardens located in Midland, Texas is currently seeking staff to fill the following Positions:

• DON • ADON (staff development) • 10pm-to 6am Nurse • 2pm-10pm Nurse • Wound Care Nurse

$1,000 SIGN ON BONUS

Apply in person.

Medical Receptionist

Medical Receptionist needed. Experience with EMR and medical insurance preferred. Send resume/CV to Box 164, Midland, TX 79702

Practice Manager

The Animal Emergency Hospital of Permian Basin has an immediate need for a full time, experienced Practice Manager. The desired candidate would have some working knowledge as a receptionist and/or technician for our veterinary clinic located in Odessa, TX. We offer a full benefits package including health insurance, paid time off, pet care discount, and competitive wages for our valued employees. Experience, especially in the emergency veterinary field is preferred. Overnight and weekend availability is required. Please email your resume and cover letter to Julie.record@petpartnersusa.com to be considered for this exciting opportunity.

Registered Dental Assistant

Permian Basin Oral Surgery is looking for a responsible & dependable assistant who is a certified RDA for our Midland location. 4 1/2 days a wk. Excellent opportunity to join our practice. Please send resume: lisa@pboms.com

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Maintenance, Front Desk & Night Audit

Holiday Inn Express
5309 N. Loop 250 W.
Midland, TX 79707

Now hiring Full Time Maintenance, Front Desk & Night Audit. Professional appearance required. Will train the right person. Serious inquires only. Apply in person only. No phone calls. Competitive pay.

NOW HIRING FOR ALL POSITIONS

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATION FOR ALL POSITIONS - SPRINGHILL SUITES, MIDLAND, TX. PLEASE APPLY IN PERSON - 5716 DEAUVILLE BLVD, MIDLAND, TX.

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

Oil Production Foreman

Responsible for overseeing all plant and lease operating employees, performing well inspection, maintenance, repairs and equipment replacements, and reporting all issues to the Director of Operations. Must understand mechanical applications, including compression, dehydration, and cryogenic gas plants. 10 years experience, 4 years supervision preferred. Send resume & cover letter to: info@cinnabarenergy.com

Shop Foreman

Horizon Transportation is now seeking experienced Shop Foreman. Inquiries call 432-699-4468

OTHER JOBS

CARETAKER

Caretaker for small ranch and animals/dogs, horses. Salary and housing provided. Non-smokers and no drinking. References required. Call **432-413-2861**

CARTER'S

Delivery Driver **Full-Time**
2101 W. Wadley #6 **Midland, TX 79705**

Delivery driver needed. Must have good driving record, able to pass drug testing, heavy lifting required. Must be 21 or older. Apply in person at Carter's Furniture, 2101 W. Wadley #6, Midland,TX 79705.

Inspector Level II

Working under the direction of the Shop Manager, the Inspector is responsible for ensuring cleanliness of equipment and safety. **Major Duties and Responsibilities:** Must be able to follow instructions. Keep company vehicle clean, stocked, and organized. Follow required safety practices and procedures. Report unsafe practices and injuries. Perform other operational requirements as assigned. **Qualifications:** Must be certified in applicable service methods per SNT-TC-1A. Must be knowlegable of API Spec Q1 Standard and API Spec 7, 7-1, Spec 5B, Spec 5CT and DS1 Standards **Physical Requirements:** Must be able to lift up to 50 pounds. Must be able to regularly use hands, fingers and full body to handle weight in motion or feel objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms. Must be able to climb, balance, stoop and kneel. Must be able to hold a minimum of 5 pounds in one hand with arm extended for 30 seconds. Email resumes to humanresources@jaoilfied.com or visit 14579 Hollyhock Ave, Gardendale, TX 79758

NOW HIRING

Hiring tilers, helpers, and remodelers. Call Randy at 432-260-6699.

WANTED: Part time student or other to help with miscellaneous types of jobs. Send resume or short letter to PO Box 196 Midland Tx 79702 No specialized experience needed. Crooks, thieves and lazy people need not apply.

Let Classifieds Work For You! Call 432-682-6222

OTHER JOBS

Assistant District Manager

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening for an Assistant District Manager – this is an entry-level part-time position, offering competitive compensation/benefits package – flexible work schedule, must be available to work at night and/or weekends during our production/delivery window.

This position will involve the distribution and delivery of Home Delivery and Single Copy newspapers. The successful candidate may also receive work assignments within many areas of the distribution function, which may include route delivery, transportations, customer service, and redelivery operations. The primary role of the Asst. District Manager is to provide exceptional customer service to both our subscribers and our independent contractor carrier force. This position works part of the time in an office or distribution center environment and the majority of the time within the assigned newspaper district or distribution. Flexible work hours are required and may accommodate the applicants other obligations.

The Hearst Corporation is one of the largest diversified communications companies. Its major interests include magazine, newspaper and business publishing, cable networks, television and radio broadcasting, Internet businesses and more. As an associate of the Midland Reporter-Telegram, you join more than 20,000 in the Hearst family. If you are the one we are looking for, contact:

HEARST media services

Vincent Cone, V.P. of Circulation
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201 E. Illinois Ave. Midland, TX 79701 to complete an application
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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person

Starting pay $10.00 per hour/after 60 days pay will be $11.00 per hour

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person

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WYNDHAM GARDEN

POSITIONS NEEDED:
Front Desk Agent: 7AM-3PM and 3PM-11PM Full time and part time available, Housekeepers, Laundry Attendant.

Wall Street After 5

POSITIONS NEEDED:
Food & Beverage Manager & Supervisor, Cooks, Servers/Hostesses, breakfast attendants & busboys.

Bar: Bar Manager, Bartenders, Servers/Hostesses
Full/Part Time Hotel experience a plus. Will train the right people. Pay based on experience.

Please email or hand deliver resume www.wyndhammidlandgm@gmail.com 3100 W. Wall Street Midland, TX.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
Natural Resources Specialist II

Natural Resources Specialist II, posting #14352, $3,081.00 - $3,545.00 monthly. Closing Date: 10/10/14. The Small Business & Local Government Assistance Program in Midland provides environmental technical assistance and outreach to small businesses and local governments. A complete description of the job, minimum qualifications, preferred requirements and special requirements for the position may be found on the web address listed below. A completed State of Texas application must be received in the Human Resources Division of the TCEQ by 5:00 pm on the closing date. The employment history on the application must be completed. Mail applications to: Human Resources Division/MC116, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or fax to 512/239-0111, or deliver to 12100 Park 35 Circle, Bldg. A, Rm. 141, Austin. For more information, call 512/239-0102. Internet: www.tceq.state.tx.us EEO/AA/ADA Employer.

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Barista/Manager

Taste@508 is looking for a Barista Manager for our downtown location. Also looking for part time. Pay commensurate with experience. Please call 432-230-0225 to schedule an interview. 508 W. Wall Street

TASTE @508

Cooks and Dishwashers

The Garlic Press is hiring Cooks and Dishwashers. Flexible hours. Great work environment and benefits. Apply in person at The Garlic Press in Oak Ridge Square at Wadley and Garfield. 11am-2pm only.

RETAIL JOBS

CASHIERS

Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

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Bookkeeper/Sales

Great Opportunity. Seeking Bookkeeper/Sales. Management skills, bilingual and Quickbooks experience helpful. Base salary + commission. Fax resume to 432-694-3757

FULL-PART TIME SALES ASSOCIATES

We are looking for **Insurance Associates** who possess these important qualities. *Cool under pressure. *Enjoy working hard. *Relate well to all kinds of people. *Energetic. *Dedicated to meet customers needs. P&C license preferred. Must have customer service experience. Bilingual a plus. Please fax your resume to: **432-570-9501** or Mail to **P O Box 8830**, Midland, TX 79708
Bring by **4410 N Midkiff, Ste D1F, Midland, TX 79705**

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Digger's Oilfield Services is now hiring a Diesel Service Mechanic for heavy equipment. We offer competitive pay and benefits. Please send resume to sanderson@diggersoilfieldservices.com or call 432 695 6896

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Air Drilling Solutions **FT**

Equipment Technicians needed: Responsible for assembly and maintenance of products in support of services. Rebuild used or faulty surface and downhole equipment. Operate crane and forklift. Downhole/hardband experience a plus. Must be mechanically inclined and a team player. Please contact 432-218-4700 or apply within at Air Drilling Solutions at 1517 E. County Road 120, Midland, TX. 79706

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Is looking for a Certified EMI Operator with 3-5 years' experience in pipe inspection.

50 hours a week, provide life and health insurance, and (5) paid holidays. Uniforms provided after 90 days.

Pre-employment testing includes background check, drug test, physical evaluation.

Pay based on experience.

Contact Gary 432-559-9779 or Rudy Carrasco at 432-770-1104.

MPI Inspectors

NOV Tuboscope Accepting Applications for: MPI Inspectors. Call 432-638-3997 Competitive Pay offered depending on Experience

Winch Truck Drivers

Established trucking company looking for dependable, safety minded drivers. Company is looking for Company Winch Truck Drivers with 3 years of verifiable class "A" experience. Frac sand experience is preferred. Drivers must be willing to stay 2-4 weeks at a time. For more info contact Joe Tex at 903-497-7121 or www.joetexusa.com

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BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Supplement your income by delivering newspapers for a few hours in the early mornings between 12:00am - 6:00am. The Midland Reporter-Telegram is currently seeking individuals who are interested in delivering newspapers in the residential areas in and around the City of Midland. If interested, MUST have a reliable vehicle, proof of automobile insurance in your name, a valid driver's license, must understand that this is a 7 day a week delivery commitment as an independent Contractor.

THE PROFIT FOR THESE ROUTES IS ABOUT $650-$1,000 a month, depending on the size of the route. This is a perfect way to generate the extra money you need.

If interested in starting a newspaper route: Please CALL ROGER WALLACE at 432-687-9001 or stop by The Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701

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NOW HIRING

Mattlock Drilling FT

Are you needing a change? Want to work close to home? Have at least 6 months experience working as an actual hand on a drilling rig and have never worked for us? Then Mattlock Drilling is the place for you. We offer insurance after 90 days and vacation after a year. The schedule is 12 days on and 4 off NO CAMP JOBS

Hiring for
- Tool Pushers
- Drillers
- Motorhands
- Derrickhands
- Leadtonghands

Top Wages. If interested come in and apply at 12505 WCR 124, Odessa Texas 79765. Off of business 20 and Coors Rd. Must live in the area. NO PHONE CALLS. Drug and Alcohol Testing. EOE

Pipe Pros, LLC, a leader in oil and gas tubular handling is currently hiring for our Permian Basin district. Trainer or Experienced Positions available for the following

Casing Crews
Tong Operators/floor hands/stabbers
Torque Turn Technicians
CDL Drivers
Tubing tong operators/floor hands
Laydown Machine Operators

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PRESSMAN

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening in its Production Department for the position of: PRESSMAN for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses.

This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.

Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701. E-mail:jmaddox@hearstnp.com

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Shop Welder & Fabricator

Basin Engine & Pump, Inc.

Welder/Fabricator needed Industrial Oilfield Shop. Experience is required. Uniforms will be provided. Benefits package includes vacation, health insurance and retirement match savings. Salary depends on experience. Please submit resume by fax to 432-570-1115 or email to Todd@basinengine.com. Applications may be filled out in person at 1914 S. County Rd. 1083, Midland.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

BUS DRIVER AND PT STAFF MEMBERS

The Boys & Girls Club of Midland looking for **Class B CDL bus driver** with passenger & school bus endorsment. PT, 2:45-4:45. Pays $25/hour. Must have clean driving record, be able to pass drug screen & background check. Also hiring PT STaff Members. Call **432-683-0050, taylor@basinkids.org**

CDL and non-CDL Drivers

Total Logistics/Lone Star Delivery is hiring drivers. CDL and non-CDL positions available. Weekly pay, home every night, paid health insurance, competitive wages. Please call 432-561-8850 for more info and address to apply.

CDL Drivers!

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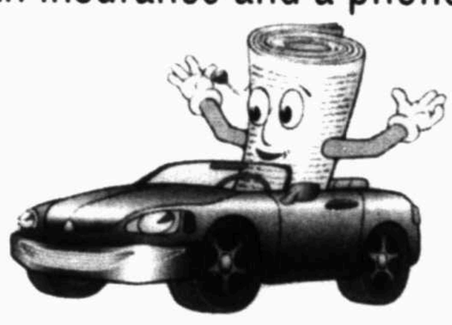

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