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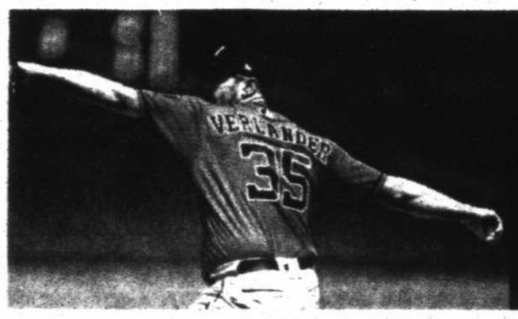

ASTROS ACE GETS 200

Justin Verlander pitched well enough to earn his 200th career win and the Houston Astros hit five home runs, beating the Oakland Athletics 9-4 Sunday to retake sole possession of AL West lead.

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Local economy continues to reach new highs

By Mella McEwen
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Midland and Odessa's economies continue to rocket into record territory as the region rebounds from the downturn caused by falling oil prices in 2014-2015.

Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index for the Midland Development Corp., said, "Coming up with new descriptions for that economy is getting more difficult."

The June index is 21 percent higher than it was in June 2017, while the Midland index is 20.8 percent higher and the Odessa index 21.3 percent higher than a year ago, according to Ingham. All components of the index posted year-over-year increases for the second quarter, "most impressively so, and remain higher midway through the year, as well," he said in a phone interview.

"This is a pretty stunning turn of events in the overall economy, which saw stunningly high growth rates and rapid recovery from sharp downturns. (But) this is unrivaled — the sheer rate of growth, the rate at which the economy has recovered and grown past its previous highs," he said. "And the fact is, all this is occurring with a regional oil and gas index that's nowhere near its peak level."

He said that trend indicates a shift in the relationship between the general economy and the region's oil and gas industry. The success oil and gas producers are having in increasing production despite a lower rig count, fewer drilling permits and commodity prices well below the highs seen in recent years is pushing more and more revenue into the overall economy, he said.

Retail spending in Midland-Odessa continued at what Ingham called a white-hot pace, jumping 42.2 percent in the first half of the year, 42.9 percent in the second quarter and 41.5 percent in June compared to a year earlier.

"Incredibly, the January to June 2018 real spending total is nearly 50 percent higher compared to the total through June 2016, just two years ago in the depths of the general economic contraction induced by an 80 percent decline in crude oil prices," he said.

In Midland, retail spending was up 37.6 percent in the first half of the year, up 39.6 percent in the second quarter and 36.5 percent in June over the same period of 2017.

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WASH ON, WASH OFF

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Members of the West Texas Longhorns football team wash a Midland Police Department vehicle belonging to Officer Camilo Fonseca on Saturday in a parking lot near West Wadley Avenue and Loop 250. The team is part of the Texas Youth Football Association and put on a car wash and bake sale to raise money for the season.

Industry expects rules to increase diesel cost

■ Limits on sulfur emissions could squeeze truckers, airlines, railroads, ships

By Erin Douglas
Bloomberg

In 16 months, new standards will descend on a corner of the global oil market that may disrupt fuel supplies crucial to transportation industries like trucking, airlines, railroads and ships. While the goal of the change is to reduce sulfur emissions, which cause acid rain, the rules could boost diesel prices by 20 percent to 30 percent, according to the International Energy Agency. That means Paar could be shelling out more than $344 on fuel for each New York trip.

"We bleed diesel," said Paar, 62, whose brothers, wife and son are all truckers. Diesel accounts for about 20 percent of the operating costs at his company, Sandman Services.

The last time diesel prices shot up as much as the IEA is predicting was mid-2008, according to data from AAA. At that time, crude oil hit a record high of $145 a barrel. This time, the culprit isn't the raw material, which is around $70, but new rules from the International Maritime Organization. The group is requiring the world's ocean-going vessels to cut the sulfur content in fuel to 0.5 percent from 3.5 percent.

'Expensive as hell'

The IEA estimates 3 million barrels a day of high-sulfur bunker fuel is used by the global shipping industry, which handles about 90 percent of the world's trade. Some ships may keep using the fuel after 2020 by installing scrubbers to clean up emissions, or just ignore the rule and take the chance on heavy fines. A few may switch to new ships that run on liquefied natural gas.

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US says conserving oil no longer an economic imperative

By Ellen Knickmeyer
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Conserving oil is no longer an economic imperative for the U.S., the Trump administration declares in a major new policy statement that threatens to undermine decades of government campaigns for gas-thrifty cars and other conservation programs.

The position was outlined in a memo released last month in support of the administration's proposal to relax fuel mileage standards. The government released the memo online this month without fanfare.

Growth of natural gas and other alternatives to petroleum has reduced the need for imported oil, which "in turn, affects the need of the nation to conserve energy," the Energy Department said. It also cites the now decade-old fracturing revolution that has unlocked U.S. shale oil reserves, giving "the United States more flexibility than in the past to use our oil resources with less concern."

With the memo, the administration is formally challenging old justifications for conservation — even congressionally prescribed ones, as with the mileage standards. The memo made no mention of climate change. Transportation is the single largest source of climate-changing emissions.

President Donald Trump has questioned the existence of climate change, embraced the notion of "energy dominance" as a national goal and called for easing what he calls burdensome regulation of oil, gas and coal, including repealing the Obama Clean Power Plan.

Despite the increased oil supplies, the administration continues to believe in the need to "use energy wisely," the Energy Department said, without elaboration. Department spokesmen did not respond Friday to questions about that statement.

Reaction was quick.

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Did you know?
At the box office, **'Crazy Rich Asians'** surpassed expectations and earned $34 million. Page 2A

The big number
An Oklahoma casino says **14 people were injured** during a rainstorm before a Backstreet Boys concert. Read more on Page 4A.

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"It's like saying, 'I'm a big old fat guy, and food prices have dropped — it's time to start eating again,'" said Tom Kloza, longtime oil analyst with the Maryland-based Oil Price Information Service.

"If you look at it from the other end, if you do believe that fossil fuels do some sort of damage to the atmosphere ... you come up with a different viewpoint," Kloza said. "There's a downside to living large."

Climate change is a "clear and present and increasing danger," said Sean Donahue, a lawyer for the Environmental Defense Fund.

In a big way, the Energy Department statement just acknowledges the world's vastly changed reality when it comes to oil.

Just 10 years ago, in summer 2008, oil prices were peaking at $147 a barrel and pummeling the global economy. The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries was enjoying a massive transfer of wealth from countries dependent on imported oil. Prices now are about $65.

Today, the U.S. is vying with Russia for the title of top world oil producer. U.S. oil production hit an all-time high this summer, aided by the technological leaps of horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing.

How much the U.S. economy is hooked up to the gas pump, and vice versa, plays into any number of policy considerations, not just economic or environmental ones, but military and geopolitical ones, said John Graham, a former official in the George W. Bush administration, now dean of the School of Public and Environmental Affairs at Indiana University.

"Our ability to play that role as a leader in the world is stronger when we are the strongest producer of oil and gas," Graham said. "But there are still reasons to want to reduce the amount we consume."

Current administration proposals include one that would freeze mileage standards for cars and light trucks after 2020, instead of continuing to make them tougher.

The proposal eventually would increase U.S. oil consumption by 500,000 barrels a day, the administration says. While Trump officials say the freeze would improve highway safety, documents released this month showed senior Environmental Protection Agency staffers calculate the administration's move would actually increase highway deaths.

"American businesses, consumers and our environment are all the losers under his plan," said Sen. Tom Carper, a Delaware Democrat. "The only clear winner is the oil industry. It's not hard to see whose side President Trump is on."

Administration support has been tepid to null on some other long-running government programs for alternatives to gas-powered cars.

Bill Wehrum, assistant administration of the EPA's Office of Air and Radiation, spoke dismissively of electric cars — a young industry supported financially by the federal government and many states — this month in a call with reporters announcing the mileage freeze proposal.

"People just don't want to buy them," the EPA official said.

Oil and gas interests are campaigning for changes in government conservation efforts on mileage standards, biofuels and electric cars.

In June, for instance, the American Petroleum Institute and other industries wrote eight governors, promoting the dominance of the internal-combustion engine and questioning their states' incentives to consumers for electric cars.

Surging U.S. and gas production has brought on "energy security and abundance," Frank Macchiarola, a group director of the American Petroleum Institute trade association, told reporters this week, in a telephone call dedicated to urging scrapping or overhauling of one U.S. program for biofuels.

Fears of oil scarcity used to be a driver of U.S. energy policy, Macchiarola said.

Thanks partly to increased production, "that pillar has really been rendered essentially moot," he said.

Sanja Bucko/Warner Bros. Entertainment via AP

This image released by Warner Bros. Entertainment shows Constance Wu in a scene from the film "Crazy Rich Asians." Glitz won over guns as the gilded romance "Crazy Rich Asians" debuted at No. 1 in North American theaters this weekend, surpassing industry expectations and beating out action-packed fare like "Mile 22."

'Crazy Rich Asians' shines bright at box office

By Lindsey Bahr
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Glitz won over guns as the gilded romance "Crazy Rich Asians" debuted at No. 1 in North American theaters this weekend, surpassing industry expectations and beating out action-packed fare like "Mile 22."

Warner Bros. estimates that the film earned $25.2 million over the weekend and $34 million since its opening Wednesday. It's a surefire win for the film, which cost $30 million to produce and went into the weekend with months of buzz and a 93 percent "fresh" rating on Rotten Tomatoes.

Breakout star Henry Golding told The Associated Press on Sunday that the film's performance is a "testament to the people who are turning up."

"It's not just the Asians who are coming. It's people of all colors from all walks of life who are enjoying this cinematic experience," Golding said. "It's a real shift in Hollywood."

Adapted from Kevin Kwan's best-seller, "Crazy Rich Asians" stars Constance Wu as an American woman who gets a culture shock meeting her boyfriend's obscenely wealthy family in Singapore. The studio strategically bumped up the film's opening to a Wednesday earlier in the summer.

"We knew we'd get avids who read the book and a large Asian following," said Warner Bros. domestic distribution president Jeff Goldstein. "We figured OK, we get good reviews, open on Wednesday, word of mouth will spread and really propel the movie into the weekend, and that's exactly what happened."

As recently as July 26, box office experts were predicting that the film would open to at least $18 million over its first five days, but no one expected a launch of over $30 million.

"I think the audience isn't an obvious audience," Goldstein said. "When you get a culturally important event like this movie, I think it just takes off like wildfire."

The stakes were high for the first studio-produced movie led by Asian-Americans in 25 years. The filmmakers even turned down a big offer from Netflix to give the historically significant film a theatrical platform. Cast members and fans started using the hashtag #GoldOpen to try to encourage more opening weekend support.

Director Jon M. Chu tweeted his appreciation Sunday and asked audiences to keep spreading the word.

"We still have a long run to go but our message to the world has been heard. We have arrived," Chu wrote. "Now let's go tell more of our stories! We have a lot more to say. And I don't want to wait another 25 years to see them. This is only the beginning."

Despite the success of "Crazy Rich Asians," other films still found audiences this weekend, including Warner Bros. shark movie "The Meg," which fell only 53 percent in its second weekend, adding $21.2 million. The Jason Statham-led film has now grossed more than $300 million worldwide.

Mark Wahlberg's action-packed "Mile 22," his fourth collaboration with director Peter Berg, debuted in third place with an estimated $13.6 million. The STX film had a $35 million production budget.

Launching with $10.5 million, "Alpha," an Ice Age-set adventure tale, tied for fourth place in its opening weekend with "Mission: Impossible — Fallout."

In limited release, Sony Pictures Classics' "The Wife" opened with $111,137, and Roadside Attractions' "Juliet, Naked" debuted with $60,922. Both films opened in four theaters.

One film that did not find much of an audience was Kevin Spacey's "Billionaire Boys Club," which Vertical Entertainment released in eight theaters this weekend after making it available for purchase on Video on Demand last month. Official earnings were not reported to comScore, but industry trade publication The Hollywood Reporter said Sunday that the film earned a dismal $425.

Hollywood's winning streak continues with the summer season up 12.4 percent from last year and the year overall up 8.9 percent.

"The box office is on a roll," said comScore senior media analyst Paul Dergarabedian, noting the diverse genre offerings in cinemas this summer. "The line-up basically looks like a streaming service. That's what people have become accustomed to and the movie theater is delivering it in a big way this summer."

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to comScore. Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

1. "Crazy Rich Asians," $25.2 million ($730,000 international).
2. "The Meg," $21.2 million ($67 million international).
3. "Mile 22," $13.6 million ($538,000 international).
4. "Alpha," $10.5 million.
4.(tie) "Mission: Impossible — Fallout," $10.5 million ($20.5 million international).
5. "Christopher Robin," $8.9 million ($7.9 million international).
6. "BlacKkKlansman," $7 million ($1.2 million international).
7. "Slender Man," $5 million.
8. "Hotel Transylvania 3," $3.7 million ($28.3 million international).
9. "Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again," $3.4 million ($15.3 million international).

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at international theaters (excluding the U.S. and Canada), according to comScore:

1. "The Meg," $67 million.
2. "The Island," $38.7 million.
3. "Hotel Transylvania 3," $28.3 million.
4. "Mission: Impossible — Fallout," $20.5 million.
5. "Europe Raiders," $19.5 million.
6. "Go Brother!," $17.7 million.
7. "The Equalizer 2," $17.5 million.
8. "Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again," $15.3 million.
9. "Oolong Courtyard: Kung Fu School," $14.8 million.
10. "Incredibles 2," $8.9 million.

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But those options may be too expensive, so the IEA expects many ship owners to upgrade the fuel they use. That would spark a rush on existing supplies of middle distillates like diesel and jet fuel. When the standards kick in at the start of 2020, global demand for diesel could jump by about 1 million barrels a day, to 29.7 million, the IEA estimates.

"The consensus is that it will be expensive as hell," said John Butler, president and CEO of the World Shipping Council. "It will dwarf anything we've seen as an external cost on the industry."

Trucking companies already are getting squeezed by higher labor costs, reflecting a shortage of drivers. The average hourly wage was $24.14 in June, up 23 percent since June 2009, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. For the airline industry, where fuel is expected to account for a quarter of operating expenses this year, companies are likely to pass along costs to passengers and adjust flight plans or plane loads, according to a survey by Macquarie Group Ltd.

Broader Impact

The IMO announced the new emission standards in October 2016. If oil prices weaken in the next couple of years, the expected switch to diesel probably won't have much impact on industries that depend on it, economists said.

But at least one economist, Philip Verleger at PK Verleger LLC, said the impact of the IMO rules could reach beyond transportation industries, especially if the rush boosts demand for crude and sends oil above $85 a barrel.

"It's actions like this that cause big recessions," said Verleger. "It's not like it's regulating one industry; it's a whole series of industries."

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In Odessa, spending is up 46.9 percent in the first half of the year, 46 percent in the second quarter and 46.4 percent in June over last year.

Even more impressive, Ingham said, is another component of consumer spending. Automotive spending was up 38.3 percent in the first half of the year, 32.7 percent in the second quarter and 19.6 percent in June over a year ago.

In Midland, automotive spending was up 32.1 percent in the second half, 18.7 percent in the second quarter but a scant 0.8 percent in June compared to 2017 levels.

Still, compared to the growth in real spending, Ingham said the growth in new and used motor vehicles is even more impressive, up 68 percent compared to the January-to-June 2016 total, the low point in automotive spending during the economic contraction.

The unemployment rate has joined other components in record territory, Ingham said. The combined Midland-Odessa unemployment rate of 2.7 percent is the lowest rate ever and a decline of 34.4 percent from the 4.1 percent recorded at the same time last year. Unemployment rates for June and the second quarter are also below 3 percent, with June's 2.8 percent marking the first time a June rate has fallen below 3 percent, and the second quarter rate averaged 2.5 percent.

In Midland, the June unemployment rate averaged 2.4 percent; it averaged 2.2 percent in the second quarter and 2.3 percent for the first half of the year.

In Odessa, the June unemployment rate averaged 3.2 percent; it averaged 2.9 percent in the second quarter and 3.1 percent in the first half of the year.

Ingham said seasonally adjusted employment data indicates total employment in Midland-Odessa was 178,200 in June, the highest June total on record and a gain of 6.9 percent from 166,700 last June. But the total is down about 900 jobs from the peak of 179,100 in December 2014. He said that gap will close in the coming months and employment "will be in record territory by every measure."

Midland employment in June totaled 102,400, up 9.5 percent from 93,500 last June, while second quarter employment averaged 101,765, up 10.2 percent from 92,365 the previous year, and 99,850 for the first half of the year, a gain of 10 percent from 90,735 for the first half of 2017.

Odessa employment averaged 75,800 in June, up 3.6 percent from last June; 76,035 in the second quarter, up 4.7 percent; and 75,685 in the first half of 2018, up 5.8 percent.

The only negative in the June index was total building permit valuations, which sank 55.9 percent compared to the previous June, which was the second-highest total on record and second only to June 2013 valuations. For the second quarter, valuations were up 1.2 percent, and for the first half of the year, they're up 35.7 percent.

In Midland, June valuations were down 4.3 percent from the previous June. Valuations in the second quarter were up 40.6 percent, and valuations in the first half of the year soared 101.6 percent.

Odessa saw declines in its building permit valuations across the board, with June valuations down 74.4 percent, second quarter figures down 23.6 percent, and first half totals down 14.5 percent.

New housing construction shattered the previous records for the month of June, the second quarter and the first half of the year. Midland and Odessa issued 970 building permits in the first half of the year. That is 33.4 percent higher than was issued in the first half of 2017, which was a record high and more than 42 percent higher than the first half of 2016. The six-month total is higher than the annual total for each year up to and including 2011, Ingham said.

Midland has issued 556 new housing permits so far in 2018, up 22.5 percent from 454 in the first half of 2017. Odessa has issued 414 new housing permits, a jump of 51.6 percent from 273 a year ago.

Existing home sales in Midland-Odessa through the first six months of the year surpassed 2,000 for the first time ever, outpacing the January-to-June 2017 sales total by 8.9 percent. There were 420 homes sold in June, up 1.2 percent from 415 last June. There were 1,214 homes sold in the second quarter, up 11.7 percent from 1,087 in the second quarter of 2017 and a record quarterly total.

In Midland, existing home sales took a breather from year-ago levels. The June total of 272 was down 2.9 percent from 280 last June, while the second quarter total of 765 was up 2.1 percent from 749 last year. In the first half of the year, 1,353 homes were sold, down 1.7 percent from 1,377 last year.

Odessa saw a much healthier housing market, with the 148 homes sold in June, up 9.6 percent from 135 the previous June. The 449 sold in the second quarter is a gain of 32.8 percent, and the 802 sold in the first half of the year is an increase of 33.2 percent.

Ingham predicts Midland-Odessa will see a decline in growth rates as the region's oil and gas industry is impacted by the pipeline constraints that have resulted in lower prices for locally produced crude and difficulty moving Permian crude and natural gas to market.

"You won't have 20-plus percent year-over-year growth in the Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index indefinitely. Spending growth won't be above 40 percent indefinitely," he said.

Even with lower growth rates, the economy will continue to grow, Ingham said.

"Even in the most difficult times, this is the most interesting region economically in the country," he said.

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Things to do

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■ Music and Movement Baby Storytime features songs and stories for ages birth to 2, 10:30 a.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

■ Breastfeeding Support Group by MMH Women's and Children's Services, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Midland Memorial West Campus, 4214 Andrews Highway. For more information, email childbirtheducation@midlandhealth.org.

■ Bingo, 6 p.m., Tall City VFW Post 7208, 1306 E. Taylor Ave. Children welcome.

■ Open Shop Nights are hosted by the Midland Gem and Mineral Society and open to the public, 6:30-9 p.m., 602 S. Main St. midlandgemandmineral.org. Visitors can watch members cut rock and work on lapidary projects.

■ Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

■ Monday Mayhem features unlimited bowling for $14.09 with free shoe rentals after 8 p.m. Bowlero, 5320 W. Loop 250 N. bowlero.com.

Meetings

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

Permian Basin MPO
5 p.m. today
Conference Room
9601 Wright Drive

Watering schedule

The current outdoor watering schedule allows residents and businesses in the city of Midland to water twice per week. Even numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays. Odd numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Tuesdays. Any violation may result in a fine up to $500. The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect. Use of water to fill, refill or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools or Jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 6 p.m. and midnight beginning on their designated watering days.

Boom times in Pecos

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Margie Pena, manager of the Old Mill Restaurant, talks to customers at the restaurant July 31 in Pecos. See Sunday's Reporter-Telegram and online at mrt.com for coverage the oil and gas boom conditions and how they are impacting Pecos.

How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital offers a nurse triage program "68-NURSE." The program is designed to help people determine whether their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dialing 686-8773. The program is free and available 24 hours a day-365 days a year. Local nurses are available to help you determine the best place to receive care for your situation. 68-NURSE can help you save time and money by directing you to the most appropriate healthcare option, whether it's a neighborhood clinic, urgent care center, emergency room … or just staying home.

Today in history

Today is Monday, Aug. 20, the 232nd day of 2018. There are 133 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:
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Weather

Sunday's temperatures

High	96
Low	73
Normal High	94
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Aug. 19 records
High: 103 set in 1977 and equaled in 1994
Low: 60 set in 1950

Precipitation

Saturday	0.00 inches
Sunday	trace
Month total	2.88 inches
Year total	8.14 inches
Normal total (year to date)	8.94 inches

Winds
Average speed: 7.6 mph
Highest sustained: 25 mph
Highest gust: 31 mph

Today's forecast
High: 94
Low: 73
Conditions: Mostly sunny during the day/partly cloudy at night
Winds: 5-15 mph during the day and night
Rain: 20 percent chance
Sunrise: 7:17 a.m.
Sunset: 8:27 p.m.

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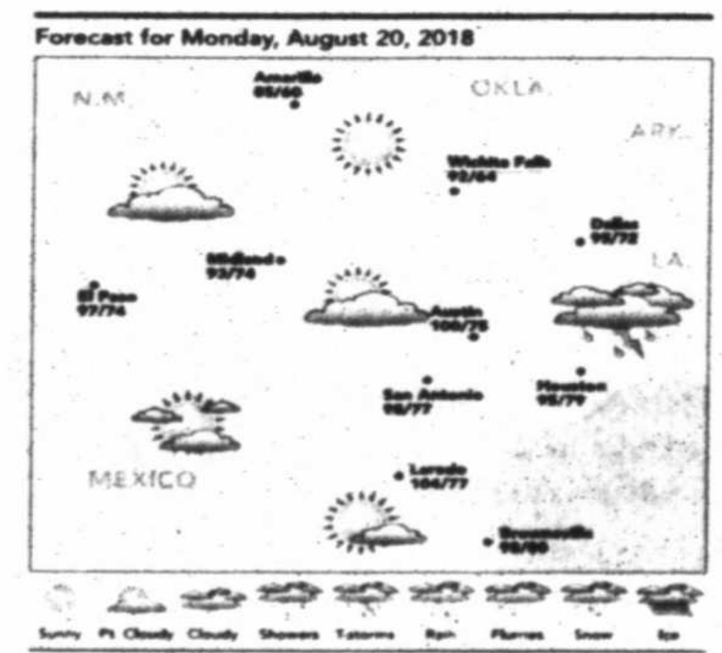

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Leo and a Moon in Sagittarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Aug. 20, 2018: This year, you will open up to many new experiences. As a result, you accept some different ideas that could affect your life. If you are single, the person you choose now might not be right for you in a year or so. Don't push an evolving bond past its normal pace. If you are attached, share more of your internal process with your sweetie and make sure to display an equal interest in his or her life. Take a special vacation for just the two of you. SAGITTARIUS helps you plan this bonding experience.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Explore your options. Some will involve the material world, whereas others might involve dreams and possibilities. When people seek you out, you might not hear them at first. Take some short breaks to help stay more present. Take a brisk walk. **Tonight:** Check out an idea's validity.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You might decide that you need some one-on-one time with a loved one. You could be in the mood to cocoon and not get involved in any challenging situations. If you're at work, this desire could be hard to fulfill, but you will manage. **Tonight:** For now, avoid social happenings.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Worry less about what others think and express your authentic self. If people don't appreciate the real you, recognize that you probably don't want their friendship. Be aware of how many people enjoy your lightness. Improve your listening skills. **Tonight:** Be available.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Focus on your finances and a change of pace. Your appraisal of a situation could change radically. Open up to a new daily routine. Understand that this transformation could lead to a different schedule or a slight change of perspective. **Tonight:** Go with the moment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Your sunny personality remains present, even with some unusual activity surrounding a creative project. Detach in order to get a more comprehensive perspective. A flirtation could be building. Know that an interchange could develop into more. **Tonight:** So what if it is Monday?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You could be eyeing a major transformation and awakening to a new spiritual level. If considering a real estate investment or a potential move, do some homework. Make sure you know what is being offered. **Tonight:** Have an important chat with a roommate or relative.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You often weigh the pros and cons of a decision. The scales could be tipping back and forth in both directions. You have a lot to digest in order to make a wise decision. Keep notes, if need be. A meeting with associates will provide lots of ideas. **Tonight:** Brainstorm away.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ You can digest a lot of facts and ideas quickly, but also be sure to reflect on an important choice. You have some extra time, so consider that a gift. Make sure that you have your finances in order, as you might not have the time to deal with them as usual. **Tonight:** Stay up late.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You feel empowered. In this mindset, you'll explore various ideas that you often shy away from. Be open to a new way of processing. You might be able to identify with a friend more effectively. If necessary, seek an expert opinion. **Tonight:** Say "yes" to an exciting offer.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Should you feel as if you want to run away from a situation, make it OK to do so. Tomorrow, you might feel differently. Share your thoughts openly with a partner who is facing a similar state of affairs. Two minds work better than one. **Tonight:** Treat yourself to some dessert.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Those with some surprising news could show up at your door. Don't dismiss anyone without first having a brief conversation. The tidbits you gather might not seem relevant at first, but they easily could become so. A friend means well. **Tonight:** Quality time with your friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ You have too much on your plate. Consider eliminating part of what weighs you down. Your sense of humor helps others understand where you are coming from. A loved one and/or your significant other makes an excellent sounding board. **Tonight:** Gather suggestions first.

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Trump says his White House counsel not a 'RAT' like Nixon's

By Jill Colvin
Associated Press

BRIDGEWATER, N.J. — President Donald Trump insisted Sunday that his White House counsel isn't a "RAT" like the Watergate-era White House attorney who turned on Richard Nixon, and he blasted the ongoing Russia investigation as "McCarthyism."

Trump, in a series of angry tweets, denounced a New York Times story that his White House counsel, Don McGahn, has been cooperating extensively with the special counsel team investigating Russian election meddling and potential collusion with Trump's Republican campaign.

Andrew Harnik/AP

White House counsel Donald McGahn, left, listens as President Donald Trump speaks Thursday during a cabinet meeting in the Cabinet Room of the White House in Washington. Trump insisted Sunday that McGahn isn't "a John Dean type 'RAT,'" making reference to the Watergate-era White House attorney who turned on Richard Nixon. Trump, in a series of angry tweets, blasted a New York Times story reporting that McGahn has been cooperating extensively with the special counsel team investigating Russian election meddling and potential collusion with Trump's Republican campaign.

"The failing @nytimes wrote a Fake piece today implying that because White House Councel Don McGahn was giving hours of testimony to the Special Councel, he must be a John Dean type 'RAT,'" Trump wrote, misspelling the word "counsel," as he often does. "But I allowed him and all others to testify - I didn't have to. I have nothing to hide......"

The New York Times said it stands by its story.

Dean, a frequent critic of the president, was the White House counsel for Nixon during the Watergate scandal. He ultimately cooperated with prosecutors and helped bring down the Nixon presidency in 1974, though he served a prison term for obstruction of justice.

Dean tweeted Saturday night in response to the Times story: "Trump, a total incompetent, is bungling and botching his handling of Russiagate. Fate is never kind to bunglers and/or botchers! Unlike Nixon, however, Trump won't leave willingly or graciously."

He added Sunday in response to Trump's tweets that he doubts the president has "ANY IDEA what McGahn has told Mueller. Also, Nixon knew I was meeting with prosecutors, b/c I told him. However, he didn't think I would tell them the truth!"

Trump's original legal team had encouraged McGahn and other White House officials to cooperate with special counsel Robert Mueller, and McGahn spent hours in interviews.

Trump's personal attorney, Rudy Giuliani, said in an appearance on NBC's "Meet the Press" that Trump didn't raise executive privilege or attorney-client privilege during those interviews because his team believed — he says now, wrongly — that fully participating would be the fastest way to bring the investigation to a close.

"The president encouraged him to testify, is happy that he did, is quite secure that there is nothing in the testimony that will hurt the president," Giuliani said.

McGahn's attorney William Burck added in a statement: "President Trump, through counsel, declined to assert any privilege over Mr. McGahn's testimony, so Mr. McGahn answered the Special Counsel team's questions fulsomely and honestly, as any person interviewed by federal investigators must."

Trump on Sunday continued to rail against the Mueller investigation, which he has labeled a "witch hunt."

"So many lives have been ruined over nothing - McCarthyism at its WORST!" Trump tweeted, referencing the indiscriminate and damaging allegations made by Sen. Joseph McCarthy in the 1950s to expose communists.

"Study the late Joseph McCarthy, because we are now in period with Mueller and his gang that make Joseph McCarthy look like a baby! Rigged Witch Hunt!" he later wrote.

Giuliani, in his interview, also acknowledged that the reason for the June 2016 Trump Tower meeting between Trump campaign aides and a Russian lawyer, arranged by Trump's son Donald Trump Jr., was that they had been promised dirt on Trump's 2016 Democratic rival, Hillary Clinton.

"The meeting was originally for the purpose of getting information about Clinton," he said, adding that the Trump team didn't know that Natalia Veselnitskaya was Russian — even though emails later released by Trump Jr. show that she had been described as a "Russian government attorney."

Giuliani also tried to make the case that having Trump sit down for an interview with Mueller's team wouldn't accomplish much because of the he-said-she-said nature of witnesses' recollections.

"It's somebody's version of the truth, not the truth," he said, telling NBC's Chuck Todd: "Truth isn't truth."

Todd appeared flummoxed by the comment, responding: "This is going to become a bad meme."

Science says: Hotter weather turbocharges US West wildfires

By Seth Borenstein
Associated Press

As temperatures rise in the U.S. West, so do the flames.

The years with the most acres burned by wildfires have some of the hottest temperatures, an Associated Press analysis of fire and weather data found. As human-caused climate change has warmed the world over the past 35 years, the land consumed by flames has more than doubled.

Experts say the way global warming worsens wildfires comes down to the basic dynamics of fire. Fires need ignition, oxygen and fuel. And what's really changed is fuel — the trees, brush and other plants that go up in flames.

"Hotter, drier weather means our fuels are drier, so it's easier for fires to start and spread and burn more intensely," said University of Alberta fire scientist Mike Flannigan.

It's simple, he said: "The warmer it is, the more fire we see."

Federal fire and weather data show higher air temperatures are turbocharging fire season.

The five hottest Aprils to Septembers out West produced years that on average burned more than 13,500 square miles, according to data at the National Interagency Fire Center and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

That's triple the average for the five coldest Aprils to Septembers.

The Western summer so far is more than 3 degrees Fahrenheit warmer than the 20th century average. California in July logged its hottest month in 124 years of record-keeping.

The five years with the most acres burned since 1983 averaged 63.4 degrees from April to September. That's 1.2 degrees warmer than average and 2.4 degrees hotter than the years with the least acres burned, AP's data analysis shows.

In California, the five years with the most acres burned (not including this year) average 2.1 degrees warmer than the five years with the least acres burned.

A degree or two may seem like not much, but it is crucial for fuel. The hotter it is, the more water evaporates from plants. When fuel dries faster, fires spread more and burn more intensely, experts said.

For every 1.8 degrees Fahrenheit that the air warms, it needs 15 percent more rain to make up for the drying of the fuel, Flannigan said.

Fuel moisture levels in California and Oregon are flirting with record dry levels, NOAA western regional climate center director Tim Brown said.

And low humidity is "the key driver of wildfire spread," according to University of Colorado fire scientist Jennifer Balch who says the Western U.S. soon will start to see wildfires of 1 million acres.

Veteran Colorado hotshot firefighter Mike Sugaski used to consider 10,000-acre fires big, now he fights ones 10 times that or more.

"You kind of keep saying, 'How can they get much worse?' But they do," Sugaski said.

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OKLAHOMA CITY

Ex-sports doctor Nassar moved to another prison facility

Authorities say disgraced former sports doctor Larry Nassar has been transferred to another federal prison facility.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons website on Sunday shows the former Michigan State University and USA Gymnastics doctor is at the Oklahoma Federal Transfer Center in Oklahoma City. He had been imprisoned in Tucson, Arizona.

Nassar's attorneys said last month he was assaulted within hours of being placed in the general population at the Arizona federal prison.

Ralph Miller, a retired federal prisons worker who specialized in sex offender designations, told The Detroit News the transfer is likely because of the assault.

Nassar pleaded guilty in two cases to molesting women and girls who sought treatment. He's serving decades in prison and likely will never be released.

OKLAHOMA

Backstreet Boys fans treated for injuries after powerful storm

THACKERVILLE — An Oklahoma casino says 14 people suffered cuts and bruises when a powerful rainstorm toppled entrance trusses and disrupted the start of an outdoor concert by the Backstreet Boys.

Kym Koch-Thompson, spokeswoman for the WinStar World Casino and Resort, said the concertgoers were treated at the scene following Saturday's storm, then taken to hospitals in Oklahoma and Texas. She said they were all treated for minor injuries and released. The casino in Thackerville is about 70 miles northwest of Dallas.

The casino says a storm packing winds of up to 80 mph struck the venue about 5:30 p.m. and blew down entrance trusses on about 150 concertgoers who didn't heed earlier evacuation warnings.

Koch-Thompson says the concert was postponed. A new date hasn't yet been set.

Online socks seller Bombas mixes commerce and charity

By Anne D'Innocenzio
Associated Press

NEW YORK — David Heath co-founded online socks company Bombas not because of an overwhelming desire to make a comfortable sock, but after realizing that they were the No. 1 clothing item requested by the homeless.

Heath, the CEO, and his partner Randy Goldberg spent two years developing socks with features like blister tabs and arch support. Then they teamed up with shelters and nonprofit groups, and the company donates a pair for every pair it sells. Those socks focus on darker colors, and get reinforced seams and an anti-microbial treatment.

Incorporating charity into the business from the get-go has turned out to be successful. So far, the New York-based company has sold almost 9 million pairs, and they're not cheap. A 12-pack of women's ankle socks sell for $130. Bombas, started in 2013, had its first profit in 2016 and generated nearly $50 million in sales last year.

Bombas, derived from the Latin for bumble bee, is one of several startups based on a business model pioneered by Toms Shoes in 2006. Tom's started out donating a pair of shoes for every pair it sells, and has expanded to T-shirts and sunglasses. Warby Parker, launched in 2010, does the same for eyewear.

Heath says he's looking at branching out to basic clothing items, embracing the same model. Bombas recently began selling to select Nordstrom and Dick's Sporting Goods stores.

Heath talks with The Associated Press about the inspiration for Bombas, how he looks at competition and his future growth plans. The questions and answers have been edited for clarity and length.

Q. How did you come up with the (socks) idea?

A. The lightbulb moment was, I saw this quote — "Socks were the most requested (clothing) item for the homeless." And then I saw what Toms was doing and Warby Parker just launched. This one-for-one thing is super-interesting and people seem to really resonate with it. I thought maybe we can do this for socks, donating socks as part of the business. But in order to donate our socks, we have to sell a lot of socks, so what is going to be our edge? We looked at the landscape. And took a business school mentality to figuring out where the opportunity was.

Q. What sort of opportunity did you see?

A. There was a massive gap between the commodity bulk buying and then there was the sub-category of ultra-premium individual pairs. You got a running sock for $15 ... a hiking sock ... a basketball sock. Socks that were marketed toward endemic categories. We started buying all these socks. What separates an $18 sock from a $2 sock?

Q. So, what's the difference?

A. There was a ton of innovation happening. Seamless toes, arch supports, incredible fabric designs. Conformed fits. And so the next "aha" moment? Why don't we take all the technology ... and bring it to the mass market? And not just market to runners but market to anybody who is on their feet all day?

Q. How do you view competition?

A. We look at other companies that are all digital brands. We stick together. We are very close with the people at Warby. We are very close to the people at Bonobos. We share insights with Casper on our marketing. We try to collaborate. We are all trying to disrupt against the big main players in the industry.

Q. What's next?

A. We're launching other product categories. We just launched at wholesale. On the roadmap for 2020: small footprint stores.

Pass it On: Entrepreneur's insights on running a business

NEW YORK — David Heath, the co-founder and CEO of online sock company Bombas, was an entrepreneur early on. His advice? Focus on one product before branching out. Don't copy your competition. And Heath, who meditates daily and brings his Jack Russell terrier named Cooper to work, emphasizes the importance of a healthy work culture.

Q. Did you always want to be an entrepreneur?

A. My dad is an entrepreneur. It was definitely in my blood. I was that kid with the lemonade stands. I used to walk to neighbors' houses and offered to wash their cars. Really anything I could do to hustle. ... I became a door-to-door knives salesman throughout college.

You learn everything from basic pitching to cold-calling. I found these skills to be incredibly helpful during the fundraising process. This time, instead of selling them a bunch of knives, I was asking them for a $50,000 check.

Q. What tips would you give business owners looking to raise money?

A. Make sure that your business pitch is super-simple and straightforward. In your first meeting, the objective is to almost sell them as if they were a customer. You want them to understand exactly what your product is or what your company does at the most simple level.

Q. What advice would you give your younger self?

A. Focus on one product. Sell it through one channel. Make sure that you do one thing incredibly well rather than doing a lot of things poorly.

Q. How do you view competition?

A. I believe the second you look around at what other people are doing, you start to react to what they're doing rather than move forward to what you think you should be doing.

Q. What about your work culture?

A. Really talented people will always have a choice on where they want to work. So the onus is on us to keep them here.

You have to back it up by having a good culture, by having a supportive environment and realizing that life happens outside of work.

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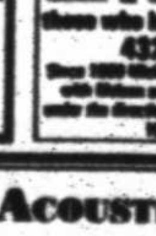
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DeLaura Gammage

Boasting almost 20 years of experience, countless clients, a professional attitude and an office staff dedicated to better serving the community, it's no surprise that DeLaura Gammage is the Gold Winner of this year's Reader's Choice Awards for Favorite Real Estate Agent in Midland for the third consecutive year.

"Education is key as well! Our market is rapidly changing, it's important to keep my assistants and my clients educated in how the market changes and how that affects the parties involved," Gammage said.

Gammage said she works both sides of the market – buyers and sellers, which has earned her respect and recognition within the Midland community. Her experience over the last 20 years demonstrates an expert understanding of the housing market, clientele and the economy.

DeLaura also works with any interested buyer or seller! First time homeowners to multi-million-dollar transactions or historic homes to new construction, she loves the diversity Real Estate brings and is familiar with all realms.

"I think it's mainly knowledge and experience that sets the standard," Gammage said. "What I offer is a more than just an agent. When a buyer or a seller hires me, they hire my staff as well. My office works assisting me with the common goal of creating a smooth transaction for every client."

Besides helping her clients through the rigorous process of purchasing a home, Gammage also understands the importance of staying in touch with clients and following-up with them to ensure their experience is satisfactory. DeLaura's love for serving her clients and providing professionalism and personalized care make her one of the most trusted agents in the business.

Gammage said the most important thing to her is making sure her clients know she is working for their best interest. Assisting DeLaura behind the scenes insuring smooth transactions is her staff of well-trained personnel which includes a transaction coordinator, a marketing director, a buyer's assistant, a marketing assistant and an administrative assistant, with a combined total of 18 years of experience with DeLaura. Together, they work to provide the best possible service for her clients, which gives them with a more thorough understanding of real estate as well. She calls it the "Gammage Advantage"!

"I know what buyers and sellers expect from me and what I provide them," Gammage said. "Honesty, integrity and professionalism are key." DeLaura possesses those qualities while working through transactions with other agents as well, which has earned her respect within the local board. She has been honored with several awards and elected positions from her peers.

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OPINION

America is overdue for Lehman-like episode

■ Jay Powell, chairman of the Federal Reserve, says fiscal policy is on an "unsustainable path," but such warnings are audible wallpaper, there but not noticed

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Eric Sevareid (1912-1992), the author and broadcaster, said he was a pessimist about tomorrow but an optimist about the day after tomorrow. Regarding America's economy, prudent people should reverse that.

This Wednesday, according to the Financial Times' Robin Wigglesworth and Nicole Bullock, "the U.S. stock market will officially have enjoyed its longest-ever bull run" — one that rises 20 percent from its low, until it drops 20 percent from its peak. And Sept. 15 will be the 10th anniversary of the collapse of Lehman Bros., the fourth-largest U.S. investment bank. History's largest bankruptcy filing presaged the October 2008 evaporation of almost $10 trillion in global market capitalization.

The durable market rise that began March 6, 2009, is as intoxicating as the Lehman anniversary should be sobering: Nothing lasts. Those who see no Lehman-like episode on the horizon did not see the last one.

Economists debate, inconclusively, this question: Do economic expansions die of old age (the current one began in June 2009) or are they slain by big events or bad policies? What is known is that all expansions end. God, a wit has warned, is going to come down and pull civilization over for speeding. When He, or something, decides that today's expansion, currently in its 111th month (approaching twice the 58-month average length of post-1945 expansions), has gone on long enough, the contraction probably will *begin* with the annual budget deficit exceeding $1 trillion.

The president's Office of Management and Budget — not that there really is a meaningful budget getting actual management — projects that the deficit for fiscal 2019, which begins in six weeks, will be $1.085 trillion. This is while the economy is, according to the economic historian in the Oval Office, "as good as it's ever been, ever."

Leavening administration euphoria with facts, Yale's Robert Shiller, writing in The New York Times, notes that since quarterly GDP enumeration began in 1947, there have been 101 quarters with growth at least equal to the 4.1 percent of this year's second quarter. The fastest — 13.4 percent — was 1950's fourth quarter, perhaps produced largely by bad news: The Cold War was on, the Korean War had begun in June, fear of the atomic bomb was rising (New York City installed its first air-raid siren in October), as was (consequently) a homebuilding boom outside cities and "scare buying" of products that might become scarce during World War III. Today, Shiller says, "it seems likely that people in many countries may be accelerating their purchases — of soybeans, steel and many other commodities — fearing future government intervention in the form of a trade war." And fearing the probable: higher interest rates.

Another hardy perennial among economic debates concerns the point at which the ratio of debt to GDP suppresses growth. The (sort of) good news — in that it will satisfy intellectual curiosity — is that we are going to find out where that point is: Within a decade the national debt probably will be 100 percent of GDP and rising. As Irwin Stelzer of the Hudson Institute says, "If unlimited borrowing, financed by printing money, were a path to prosperity, then Venezuela and Zimbabwe would be top of the growth tables."

Jay Powell, chairman of the Federal Reserve, says fiscal policy is on an "unsustainable path," but such warnings are audible wallpaper, there but not noticed. The word "unsustainable" in fiscal rhetoric is akin to "unacceptable" in diplomatic parlance, where it usually refers to a situation soon to be accepted.

A recent IMF analysis noted that among advanced economies "only the United States expects an increase in the debt-to-GDP ratio over the next five years." America's complacency caucus will respond: But among those economies, ours is performing especially well. What, however, if this is significantly an effect of exploding debt? Publicly held U.S. government debt has tripled in a decade.

Despite today's shrill discord between the parties, the political class is more united by class interest than it is divided by ideology. From left to right, this class has a permanent incentive to run enormous deficits — to charge, through taxation, current voters significantly less than the cost of the government goods and services they consume, and saddle future voters with the cost of servicing the resulting debt after the current crop of politicians have left the scene.

This crop derives its political philosophy from the musical "Annie": Tomorrow is always a day away. For normal people, however, the day after tomorrow always arrives.

GUEST VIEW

Dear Nancy Pelosi: It's not about you; forget being speaker

The Republican Party is now clearly the party of Donald Trump.

The Democratic Party cannot be seen as the party of Nancy Pelosi and win in November.

It's getting close to crunch time, and the San Francisco Democrat must put her party and her country ahead of her personal ambition and declare that she will not seek the speakership again.

This is much bigger than her. To retake control of the House, Democrats need to gain at least 23 seats in November. That's no easy task. And it's even more difficult now that Pelosi's future has become a distracting campaign issue for Democrats in key swing districts, where they need moderate and even Republican votes to win.

So far, 45 Democratic nominees (including Andrew Janz, who is running against Rep. Devin Nunes, R-Tulare) and 10 incumbents (including Rep. Linda Sanchez of Whittier) have publicly said they will not support Pelosi for speaker.

For their part, Republicans are running attack ads that feature Pelosi, as they have for years. And she is frequent target for Trump, who tweeted again on Aug. 10: "Democrats, please do not distance yourselves from Nancy Pelosi...She is trying very hard & has every right to take down the Democrat Party if she has veered too far left!"

On the other hand, Pelosi isn't doing herself any favors by playing the victim. Asked during a Sunday interview about Democrats opposing her for speaker, she accused MSNBC of being on a "jag" against her. Better than most, she ought to know that's getting precariously close to Trump calling any critical coverage "fake news."

Pelosi says that while no one is indispensable, she is still the best person for the job. On Monday, her press office sent out a column in which Paul Krugman of The New York Times praised Pelosi as "by far the greatest speaker of modern times," and questioned why she gets so little credit from the media for her accomplishments, which include the Affordable Care Act, and the stimulus package and financial reforms after Wall Street's meltdown. If you'll recall, similar statements were made about the eminently qualified Hillary Clinton – and we know how that turned out.

Pelosi and other party leaders are trying to get the message out that not only will Democrats oppose Trump and his culture of "corruption, cronyism and incompetence," they are "for the people" and will push for better health care and more jobs. But the political reality is that she is not the most effective messenger.

While only 34 percent of voters in a new CNN poll say Pelosi will be an extremely or very important factor in their decision, that number will surely go up as GOP attacks begin to take their toll the closer we get to Nov. 6. And Democrats in Congress could certainly use some fresh faces in leadership.

Pelosi became the first female speaker of the House in 2007 after Democrats won a majority in the 2006 mid-term election, but lost the post when Republicans retook the House in 2010. With her three decades in Congress, Pelosi can still have a voice advocating for California and the issues she cares about.

But if she truly believes what she says about how important it is for Democrats to retake the House so they can stop Trump, she must accept that it can't be with her as speaker.

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When it comes to immigrants, what part of 'legal' does Trump not understand?

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Never mind the undocumented. Donald Trump has a terribly complicated relationship with *legal* immigrants.

I'm not talking about the fact that he keeps marrying them, or that his in-laws — legal immigrants Viktor and Amalija Knavs — were sponsored for U.S. citizenship by their daughter, first lady Melania Trump.

And to think, Trump wants to end this kind of "chain migration" and replace it with a merit system that values education and skills. He may be on to something.

What's complicated is that, to borrow a phrase, Trump was in favor of legal immigration before he was against it. And boy, now he is *really* against it. In fact, he seems determined to punish anyone who dares come to the United States — even if they come legally.

You've seen how hideously the Trump administration treats would-be refugees from Central America who play by the rules by walking up to the U.S.-Mexico border and turning themselves in to U.S. authorities. Some had their children snatched from them before being deported back home, and some of these kids remain in U.S. detention facilities.

Remember when Republicans were the party of family values?

Now the Trump administration is picking on legal immigrants who are already living in the United States, the vast majority of whom work and pay taxes. According to NBC News, the administration is hatching a proposal that would make it harder for these folks to become U.S. citizens or get green cards if at some point they relied on any sort of public-welfare program.

This scheme would reportedly represent the biggest change in how the United States handles legal immigration in several decades, and it seems to be part of the master plan devised by White House senior adviser Stephen Miller to reduce legal immigration.

What an insane idea. This country has a lot of problems, but *legal* immigration is not on the list. We tell people to play by the rules, then we change the rules?

A recent Gallup poll asked respondents: "Do you think legal immigration is a good thing or a bad thing for this country today?"

Eighty-four percent said it was good; only 13 percent said it was bad.

Presumably, the 13 percent includes Laura Ingraham. The Fox News host recently suggested that the country was being ruined by "massive demographic changes" fueled by immigration — both illegal and legal. Later, under a hail of criticism, she offered a lame explanation that what she really cares about is securing the border, preserving the rule of law and ensuring that future immigration is merit-based.

Baloney. None of those GOP talking points has anything to do with "massive demographic changes." So why did she use those code words? I think it's because she really believes the country would be better off with fewer immigrants, no matter their legal status.

Nativists like Ingraham have a problem with poor, uneducated, low-skilled immigrants who come illegally from Mexico. But they also have a problem with middle-class, educated, highly skilled immigrants who come legally from India, China or Brazil. How long before people realize that nativists are the problem?

Meanwhile, Trump didn't always have a beef with legal immigrants. He was once kinder and gentler toward them. While running for president, Trump promised a "big beautiful wall." But he also said he wanted to put a "big, fat, beautiful open door" in that wall so that people could come legally.

In May 2017, The Economist interviewed Trump and asked him if he wanted to cut the number of legal immigrants who come to the United States.

"Oh legal, no, no, no. I want people to come into the country legally," he said. "But I want people to come in on merit. I want to go to a merit-based system."

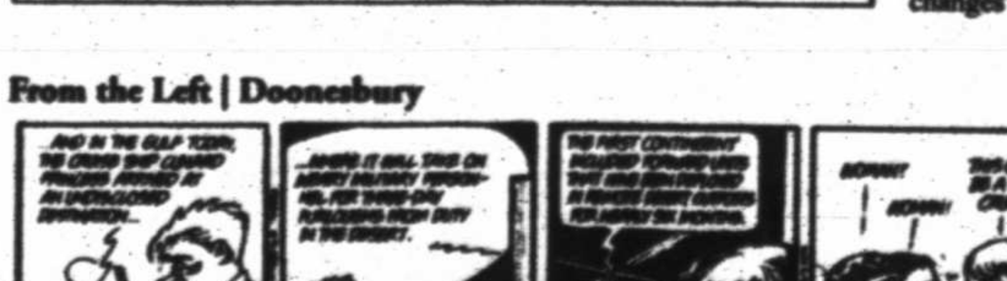
The interviewer pointed out that, even under a merit system, the overall number of legal immigrants could be just as high as it is now. So, he asked Trump again if he wanted to reduce the number of legal immigrants.

"Oh yeah, no, no, no, no, we want people coming in legally. No, very strongly," Trump said.

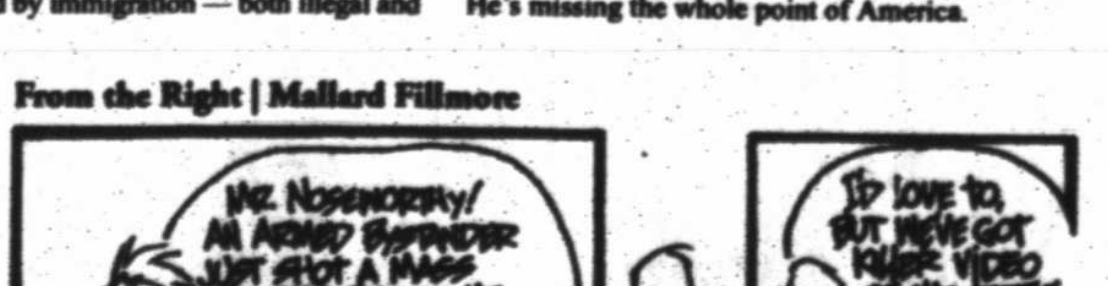
So much for that. Imagine the practical effect of Trump's policies toward legal immigrants. The door keeps getting smaller, thinner, less beautiful and less open.

Ignore the spin. This isn't about border security, or rule of law, or the merit system. By going after legal immigrants, Trump isn't protecting America. He's missing the whole point of America.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



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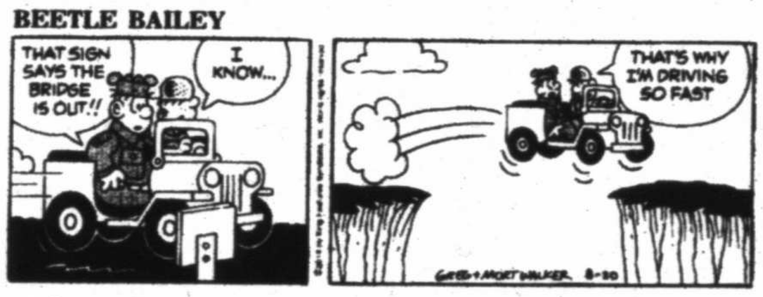

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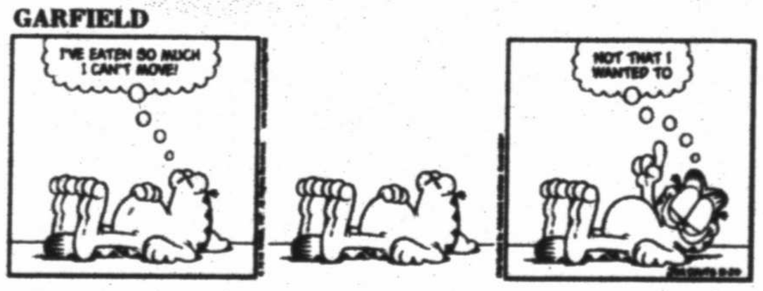

CLOSE TO HOME

"Well, how do you like THEM apples?"

DENNIS THE MENACE

"WHEN MOM'S HAPPY, WE'RE ALL HAPPY... AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT THE COMMERCIAL SAID."

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

FAMILY CIRCUS

"Sorry, Mommy. I don't know where time goes, either."

WIZARD OF ID

LOCKHORNS

"NO WONDER THERE ARE SO MANY PAIN-RELIEF ADS DURING NEWS PROGRAMS."

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Sneak Preview

FAVORITE PLUMBING

D&D Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning

A brother duo of Dwain and David Rotan came up with an idea to open a local business in 1985 and over 30 years later, D&D Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning is running stronger than ever.

The company started as just D&D Plumbing with just two employees and 33 years later, it has grown to 45 employees including fourth generation members of the Rotan family who help carry on the family legacy with the business, including Derek and Diron Rotan who were added later as full-time partners and share holders.

Derek Rotan said the company follows their mission of providing superior customer service, continued growth as an industry leader and service that lasts for generations.

"You just go to work every day and try to do the right thing in helping out our customers when they need it," said Derek. "Our business has been very successful and we're still going strong thanks to our employees who put in the hard work and our customers who have a lot of trust with us to get the job done right."

D&D Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning offers several services including heating and air conditioning, plumbing, water treatment and insulation.

The company has seen changes over the years including air conditioning and heating services being added in 1989, Derek said. They continued to grow with the additions of Scooter's Plumbing in 2003 and May Plumbing in 2010.

D&D Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning has been recognized for its hard work and dedication to the community through several Midland Reporter-Telegram Readers' Choice awards including eight straight from 2010 through 2017. Now they can add a 2018 Gold Award for the best local plumbing service provider to their collection.

D&D Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning
THIRD GENERATION SERVING THE PERMIAN BASIN

Derek said the multiple awards mean a lot to the family and everyone at the business as it shows that hard work and an effort each day to provide the best service to the community pays off.

"The awards are something that make you really feel proud of what we are able to accomplish through our work in the community," Derek said. "We really care about our customers and want to make sure that things are working and running correctly. It's very humbling and we can't thank the community enough."

For more information about D&D Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning, contact their office at (432) 687-1011 or visit their website online at danddmidland.com.

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THE READERS HAVE SPOKEN!

Winners of the 2018 Readers' Choice edition revealed Sunday, August 26

Odor home run sends Rangers past Angels

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Rougned Odor connected on a go-ahead, three-run homer with rain falling in the seventh inning, and the Texas Rangers beat the Los Angeles Angels 4-2 on Sunday to wrap up a soggy weekend.

Odor's 15th home run of the season came minutes before the second rain delay of a game that started 13 hours after the previous night's game ended. The Angels wrapped up that 11-7 win at 12:59 a.m. local time Sunday after a 2½-hour delay at the start.

The rain had just started for the third time in Sunday's regularly scheduled game when Odor pulled a pitch from reliever Noe Ramirez (4-4) into the seats above the Texas bullpen in right-center field.

Rangers	4
Angels	2

Odor, who had the most RBIs in the majors in August going into the game, added four to give him 23 for the month. His previous career high for a month was 18.

Shohei Ohtani doubled and scored the run that put the Angels up 2-1 in the fourth inning.

Three Texas relievers retired all nine hitters, starting with Matt Moore (3-6) in the seventh. The left-hander, who began the season in the Texas rotation before getting sent to the bullpen, won for the second time in the series.

Cory Gearrin pitched the eighth, and Jose Leclerc worked the ninth for his fifth save.

The delay after Odor's homer lasted 56 minutes following an 18-minute stoppage moments after he grounded out to end the fifth, making the game official with the Angels leading 2-1.

The sun came out before the tarp was in place for the first delay, and it was removed in less than 10 minutes. The game didn't stop during a brief shower between the two delays.

Angels starter Jaime Barria didn't come out after the second delay, allowing seven hits and a run in five innings.

Yovani Gallardo came out for one more inning for Texas after the longer delay. The right-hander allowed six hits and two runs with six strikeouts in six innings.

Shin-Soo Choo had three hits and scored two runs, the first on Odor's RBI single in the first inning.

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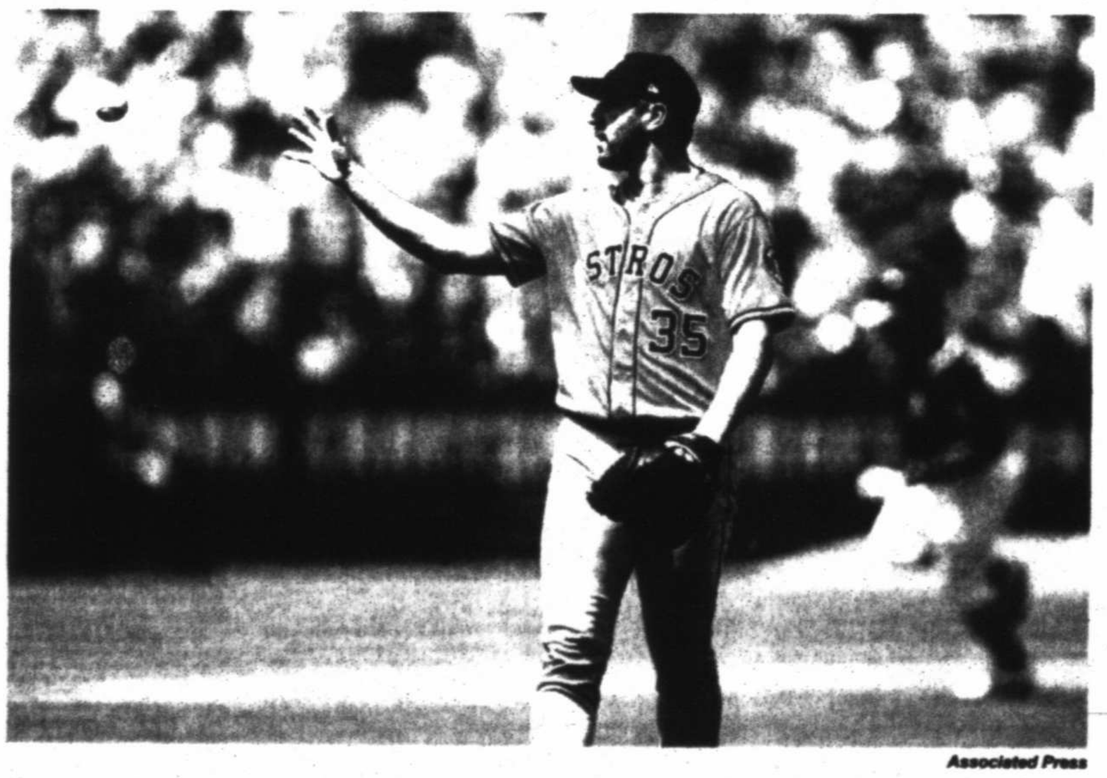
Associated Press

The Texas Rangers' Rougned Odor and Shin-Soo Choo (17) celebrate after beating the Los Angeles Angels on Sunday in Arlington.

WIN NO. 200



Associated Press

Houston Astros pitcher Justin Verlander gets a new ball after giving up a two-run home run to Oakland Athletics' Khris Davis, right, in the third inning Sunday in Oakland, Calif.

Verlander earns milestone; Astros top A's

By Rick Eymer
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Justin Verlander pitched just well enough to earn his 200th career win and the Houston Astros hit five home runs, beating the Oakland Athletics 9-4 Sunday to avoid a sweep and retake sole possession of the AL West lead.

The surging A's had won the first two games at the Coliseum to tie shaky Houston atop the division. But Yuli Gurriel hit a three-run homer in the third inning and Evan Gattis, Alex Bergman, Marwin Gonzalez and Martin Maldonado later homered for the defending World Series champions. Maldonado also tripled and doubled.

Verlander (12-8), who has not given up more than four runs in any of his 20 career games against the A's, entered the day with a major league-leading 1.74 ERA on the road. Matt Chapman and Khris Davis hit solo homers off Verlander in the first inning, and Davis added his 36th homer, a two-run drive, in the third that made it 4-all.

Astros	9
Athletics	4

Gattis put the Astros ahead for good in the fourth with his 24th home run.

Verlander gave up four runs on seven hits over 5 1/3 innings. He walked one and struck out six but gave up three home runs and has allowed 25 this season. He became the 114th pitcher with at least 200 career wins.

Brad Peacock took over for Verlander in the sixth, with two runners on and one out. He struck out Stephen Piscotty on a full count, walked Marcus Semien and got Mark Canha swinging on a 2-2 pitch. Four Houston relievers shut down the A's on one hit over 3 2/3 innings.

The Astros won for the second time in nine game. The Athletics had won 13 of their past 16 games to draw even with Houston.

After allowing six runs in three previous August starts combined, Sean Manaea (11-9) gave up six in four-plus innings

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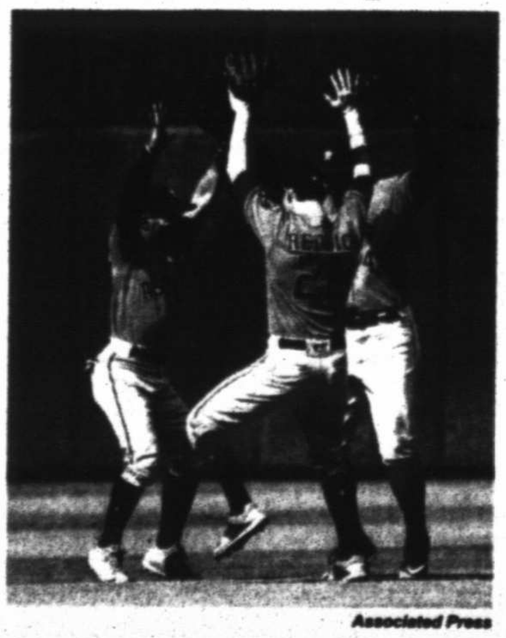

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From left, Houston Astros outfielders Tony Kemp, Josh Reddick (22) and George Springer celebrate their win over the Oakland Athletics on Sunday in Oakland, Calif.

Snedeker takes victory at Wyndham by 3 strokes

By Joedy McCreary
Associated Press

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Brandt Snedeker began the Wyndham Championship with history — and ended it with a victory.

Snedeker earned his ninth PGA Tour title Sunday, three days after opening with an 11-under 59.

He closed with a 65 for a three-stroke victory in the regular-season finale, breaking a tie with C.T. Pan on the final hole with a birdie and Pan's double bogey in the group ahead.

Snedeker

Snedeker finished at 21-under 259 for his first win since 2016 and his second at the tournament, but first at Sedgefield Country Club, to close what he called "the most stressful week I've ever had in professional golf."

"Shooting 59 on Thursday, your expectations go through the roof," Snedeker said, also expressing pride that he could "cap it off the way we did today, to play pretty much a flawless round of golf."

Pan shot a 66 to tie for second with Webb Simpson. Simpson matched his career-best with a 62.

"I feel like it was a round I needed to make a push to the leaderboard," Simpson said. "Brandt's obviously had a great week ... so I knew it was going to take something super low."

Snedeker opened the tournament with the 59 that made him the first tour player this year and just the 10th ever to break 60, then on the final day played 29 holes at 5 under to seal it. He's the fifth tour player to shoot in the 50s and then win the tournament.

He was never in danger of missing the playoffs for the first time in his career, but the victory gave him a huge jump on the points list. He climbed 50 spots to No. 30 on the list, after arriving at 80th — which would have been his lowest finish.

"To be perfectly frank, I didn't have any chance at all" to win the FedEx Cup before this week, the 2012 playoff champion said. "After this week, I feel like I have a chance."

For a while, it looked like it might come down to a playoff between Pan and Snedeker, who were even at 20 under entering Pan's final hole.

But the 26-year-old from Taiwan ran into big trouble: Pan shanked his tee shot out of bounds off a cart path down the right side of the fairway and needed four shots, including the penalty stroke, to reach the green on the par 4.

Pan said he heard "a couple noises in my head which caused me to hit a bad shot.

"It's my fault. I can learn something from it," he said. "I only played one bad hole, which is fine. You know, I've still got a lot of golf left."

Kyle Busch not his usual dominant self at Bristol this time

By Steve Megargee
Associated Press

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Kyle Busch had cars strong enough to contend for his third sweep at Bristol Motor Speedway. Instead, he had two eventful races and left the track without a win.

Busch arrived at Bristol trying to add to his career 21 national victories on the bullring. He led the Xfinity Series race Friday before an early accident knocked him out. He faced even more ups and downs Saturday in the Cup race.

Busch, looking to win a Cup event at Bristol for the eighth time, started a 15-car wreck on the second lap. He later made contact with Martin Truex Jr. to knock his championship rival out of the race, and finished 20th after his damaged Toyota spun to bring out the final caution of the race.

"It just wasn't meant for us this weekend, I guess," Busch said.

That Busch was even challenging for the lead near the end of the race marked a stunning turnaround after such a dispiriting start. It underscored the tenacity of the Joe Gibbs Racing team almost as much as any of Busch's six Cup victories this season.

The race had barely started when Busch's car drifted up the banking, bounced off Ryan Blaney's car and spun in front of much of the field. Busch's car was affected enough that he could have just called it a race. He was two laps behind and seemingly had little chance of getting back in contention.

The points leader already is locked into the playoffs, so finishing Saturday night was about pride and his love of Bristol.

Please see BUSCH/2B

Associated Press

Kyle Busch (18) gets past Austin Dillon during the NASCAR Cup Series race Saturday in Bristol, Tenn.

'HOUNDSWATCH

SUNDAY'S SCORE
Midland 9
Arkansas 4

TUESDAY'S GAME
Midland at Corpus Christi
7:05 p.m.

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RECORDS (2ND HALF)
Midland 23-33
Northwest Arkansas 33-22

Sunday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Midland 9 Arkansas 4	Midland at Corpus Christi 7:05 p.m.	Midland at Corpus Christi 7:05 p.m.	Midland at Corpus Christi 7:05 p.m.	Midland at Corpus Christi 7:05 p.m.

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

American Legion World Series
Semifinal, 3 p.m., ESPNU
Semifinal, 6 p.m., ESPNU
Horse Racing
Saratoga Live: Evan Shipman, 3 p.m., FS2
Little League World Series
Coventry, RI vs. Gold Coast, Queensland, 10 a.m., ESPN
Guyama, Puerto Rico vs. Japan/Panama loser, Noon, ESPN
Des Moines, IA vs. Michigan/Hawaii loser, 2 p.m., ESPN
Matamoros, Tamaulipas vs. Surrey, British Columbia, 5 p.m., ESPN2
Peachtree City, GA vs. Houston, TX, 7 p.m., ESPN2
Major League Baseball
Cleveland at Boston, 6 p.m., MLB
Texas at Oakland, 9 p.m., FSSW
Houston at Seattle, 9 p.m., ATTSW
St. Louis at LA Dodgers, 9 p.m., MLB
Men's Soccer
DfB Pokal: Eintracht Braunschweig vs. Hertha BSC Berlin, 11:25 a.m., ESPNDEP
DfB Pokal: SpVgg Greuther Fürth vs. Borussia Dortmund, 1:30 p.m., ESPNDEP
PL: Crystal Palace vs. Liverpool, 2 p.m., NBCSN
National Football League
Baltimore at Indianapolis, 7 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP
Women's Soccer
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup, Semifinal: England vs. Japan, 8:50 a.m., FS2

RADIO
Major League Baseball
Texas at Oakland, 9 p.m., KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa), KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)
Houston at Seattle, 9 p.m., KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)

LATE HS VOLLEYBALL

MCS FINISHES 4-2 AT TOURNAMENT

SAN ANGELO — Midland Christian went 1-2 on the final day of the Nita Vannoy Tournament to finish 4-2 for the weekend.

On Saturday, San Angelo Central defeated MCS (28-26, 25-18) and Odessa High defeated MCS (25-20, 22-25, 25-23) before the Lady Mustangs got a win over Bronte (25-17, 25-21).

Andie Sheppard led MCS (13-3) with 35 kills on the day, Faith Truex had 41 assists, Sydney Wilson had 39 digs and Shayla Ellison added seven blocks.

SAN ANGELO DEF. MIDLAND CHRISTIAN
28-26, 25-18
ODESSA DEF. MIDLAND CHRISTIAN
25-20, 22-25, 25-23
MIDLAND CHRISTIAN DEF. BRONTE
25-17, 25-21
MCS cumulative statistics
Kills — Andie Sheppard 35, Shayla Ellison 13, Avery Jauz 8, Lauren Battershell 7, Kat O'Bren 7, Lauren Denley 5, Avery Kyzar 4, Rachel Ramos 3, Sydney Wilson 3, Rachel Ramos 3
Assists — Faith Truex 41, Kalli Gamble 40, Wilson 3, O'Bren 1
Digs — Wilson 39, Sheppard 31, Truex 12, Gamble 9, Skylar Espinosa 9, Jauz 9, Ellison 3, Ramos 2, Battershell 2, O'Bren 1
Blocks — Ellison 7, Kyzar 3, Sheppard 3, Denley 1
Aces — Truex 2, Wilson 2, Sheppard 1, Jauz 1, Espinosa 1, Ellison 1
Record: Midland Christian 13-3
Next: Andrews at Midland Christian, Tuesday

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
DETROIT TIGERS — Recalled LHP Daniel Stumpf from Toledo (IL). Designated RHP Zach McAllister for assignment.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Placed RHP Ervin Santana on the 10-day DL. Reinstated OF Robbie Grossman from the 10-day DL. Recalled RHP Alan Busenitz from Rochester (IL). Assigned OF Johnny Field to Rochester.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Placed RHP Marcus Stroman on the 10-day DL, retroactive to Thursday, Aug. 16. Recalled LHP Thomas Pannone from Buffalo (IL). Purchased the contract of RHP Justin Shafer from Buffalo. Optioned LHP Luis Santos was optioned to Buffalo. Transferred RHP Aaron Sanchez to the 60-day DL.
Atlantic League
LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Activated RHP Matt Larkins. Placed LHP Hector Silvestre on the inactive list.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Released S George Iloka.
DETROIT LIONS — Signed S Marcus Cromartie. Waived-injured S Stefan McClure.
GREEN BAY PACKERS — Signed RB Branden Hill. Activated LB Nick Perry from PUP list.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Signed CB Orlando Scandrick to a one-year contract.
LOS ANGELES CHARGERS — Placed DB Jaylen Watkins on injured reserve. Claimed S Micah Hannemann off waivers from Cleveland.
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS — Claimed DT Adam Reth off waivers from Philadelphia. Waived-injured DT Drew Iddings.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
EDMONTON OILERS — Signed F Scottie Upshall to a professional tryout contract.

NFL GLANCE

Preseason standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	2	0	0	1.000	63	37
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	42	45
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	30	15
Miami	0	2	0	.000	44	53
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Houston	2	0	0	1.000	33	23
Indianapolis	1	0	0	1.000	19	17
Jacksonville	1	1	0	.500	34	34
Tennessee	0	2	0	.000	31	61
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	50	23
Cincinnati	2	0	0	1.000	51	40
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	37	29
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	65	65
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
L.A. Chargers	1	1	0	.500	41	38
Oakland	1	1	0	.500	31	29
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	38	31
Denver	0	2	0	.000	51	66

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	1	1	0	.500	40	37
Washington	1	1	0	.500	32	39
Dallas	0	2	0	.000	34	45
Philadelphia	0	2	0	.000	34	68
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Carolina	2	0	0	1.000	55	43
Tampa Bay	2	0	0	1.000	56	38
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	39	40
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	14	45
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Green Bay	2	0	0	1.000	82	51
Minnesota	1	1	0	.500	52	42
Chicago	1	2	0	.333	67	70
Detroit	0	2	0	.000	27	46
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Arizona	2	0	0	1.000	44	32
San Francisco	1	1	0	.500	37	37
L.A. Rams	1	1	0	.500	28	48
Seattle	0	2	0	.000	31	43

Preseason schedule

Today's Games
Baltimore at Indianapolis, 7 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Friday's Games
New England at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at N.Y. Jets, 6:30 p.m.
Denver at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Seattle at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
Green Bay at Oakland, 9:30 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Kansas City at Chicago, noon
Tennessee at Pittsburgh, 3 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Rams, 3 p.m.
San Francisco at Indianapolis, 3:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Jacksonville, 6 p.m.
Baltimore at Miami, 6 p.m.
New Orleans at L.A. Chargers, 7 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Cincinnati at Buffalo, 3 p.m.
Arizona at Dallas, 7 p.m.

WNBA GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Atlanta	23	11	.676	—
x-Washington	22	12	.647	1
x-Connecticut	21	13	.618	2
Chicago	13	21	.382	10
New York	7	27	.206	16
Indiana	6	28	.176	17

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Seattle	26	8	.765	—
x-Phoenix	20	14	.588	6
x-Los Angeles	19	15	.559	7
x-Minnesota	18	16	.529	8
x-Dallas	15	19	.441	11
Las Vegas	14	20	.412	12

x-clinched playoff spot

Scores

Sunday's Games
Connecticut 89, Los Angeles 86
Phoenix 86, New York 85
Indiana 87, Chicago 82
Atlanta 93, Las Vegas 79
Seattle 84, Dallas 68
Minnesota 88, Washington 83

MLS GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Atlanta United FC	15	4	6	51	53	29
New York	15	6	3	48	47	25
New York City FC	14	6	5	47	48	35
Columbus	11	8	6	39	32	32
Philadelphia	10	11	3	33	34	39
Montreal	10	13	3	33	33	42
New England	7	9	8	29	38	40
D.C. United	7	9	6	27	39	39
Toronto FC	6	12	6	24	40	45
Orlando City	7	15	2	23	37	57
Chicago	6	15	5	23	36	51

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
FC Dallas	13	5	6	45	38	30
Sporting KC	12	6	6	42	45	30
Los Angeles FC	11	7	6	39	47	39
Real Salt Lake	11	10	5	38	35	44
LA Galaxy	10	9	7	37	48	47
Portland	10	6	7	37	35	34
Seattle	10	9	5	35	31	28
Vancouver	9	9	7	34	40	48
Minnesota United	9	14	2	29	38	50
Houston	7	11	6	27	40	35
Colorado	6	12	6	24	31	40
San Jose	3	13	8	17	34	44

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

Scores & Schedule

Sunday's Games
Atlanta United FC 3, Columbus 1
D.C. United 2, New England 0
Colorado at Los Angeles FC, late
Wednesday's Game
New York at New York City FC, 6 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Columbus at Chicago, 6 p.m.
FC Dallas at Houston, 8 p.m.
Friday's Games
Atlanta United FC at Orlando City, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles FC at LA Galaxy, 9:30 p.m.
Saturday's Games
New England at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Montreal at Toronto FC, 7 p.m.
Minnesota United at Sporting Kansas City, 7:30 p.m.
Real Salt Lake at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Vancouver at San Jose, 9 p.m.

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A medical helicopter takes off from the infield during the IndyCar auto race at Pocono Raceway on Sunday in Long Pond, Pa.

IndyCar's Wickens suffers 'orthopedic injuries'

By Dan Gelston
Associated Press

LONG POND, Pa. — IndyCar driver Robert Wickens has been admitted to a hospital in nearby Allentown with what the series called "orthopedic injuries" sustained in a violent wreck early in the race Sunday.

IndyCar said Wickens was awake and alert as he was airlifted from the track to the hospital and he was still being evaluated Sunday night.

The 29-year-old Canadian driver was attempting to pass Ryan Hunter-Reay when the two cars slightly touched. That caused Hunter-Reay's car to careen into the wall and Wickens' car was pulled along for the ride. Once Wickens' car soared over Hunter-Reay's and hit the fence, it spun round and round like a top.

The fencing was shredded and Wickens' car was reduced to just the tub, which came to a rest on the track along an interior wall.

Medical workers calmly attended to Wickens, who was taken to an ambulance before he was transported to the helicopter. The impact of the wreck tore out a large section of fencing that needed almost two hours to repair.

Alexander Rossi won the race and said it was "tough to celebrate" with Wickens in the hospital.

In 2015 at Pocono, Justin Wilson died from a head injury when a piece of debris from a crashed car bounced off the track and hit his helmet.

Hunter-Reay, James Hinchcliffe, Pietro Fittipaldi and Takuma Sato were among the drivers collected in Sunday's wreck. Hinchcliff seemed to be in pain, grabbing his wrists as he slowly left his car. Hinchcliff was cleared and released from the medical center. He declined to comment to reporters out of respect for Wickens.

"That's the worst thing you can see. He's hurt. He's awake and alert and at least he's alive," driver Sebastien Bourdais said.

The race was delayed nearly two hours and only eight laps in the 500-mile race had been completed because of Wickens' crash and another accident right before green. Graham Rahal got into the back of Spencer Pigot before the race even got to green. Pigot spun and hit the wall.

"We can only hope one thing, that Robbie, Hinch and everyone involved is ok," Rahal tweeted during the delay. "These are the dangers we face, but we always hate to see it. The start can be debated for years, but doesn't matter right now, focus on the well-being of our friends and competitors."

Busch

From 1B

Busch gradually worked his way through the field and was back on the lead lap by the start of the final stage. Before his final spin, Busch believed he had a realistic shot at a come-from-behind victory.

"That was just me and this team and never giving up and being able to drive up through the field like that," Busch said. "(Our car) was fast, even torn up and wrecked and everything else, it was fast."

Busch was in third place when he closed onto Truex's bumper, causing Truex's car to spin and hit the outside wall. Busch blamed himself for the wreck that ended Truex's hopes for his first career short-track victory.

"I didn't think I was next to him yet, and I clipped him and sent him for a whale of a ride," Busch said. "Hopefully, he's all right and everything is OK there. I hated that I clipped him, I know he could have had a good shot to win the race, too."

Busch's own chances ended shortly afterward, capping a frustrating weekend. The victory instead went to Kurt Busch, Kyle's older brother .

One night earlier, Kyle Busch led the Xfinity race for the first 70 laps until a flat tire caused him to hit the wall and knocked him out of the race.

"The car was really good yesterday and it got in the wall, and three laps later it had a flat tire," Busch said. "And today I wasn't even pushing that hard, I was just trying to maintain and not get hit, and I ended up sliding up the racetrack and spinning myself out."

Busch had been aiming to win both weekend events at Bristol. He has done that twice before, in 2010 and 2017.

GOLF GLANCE

PGA Tour

Wyndham Championship Scores
Sunday
At Sedgefield Country Club
Greensboro, N.C.
Purse: $6 million
Yardage: 7,127; Par 70
Final

Brandt Snedeker	59-67-68-65—259
C.T. Pan	65-64-67-66—262
Webb Simpson	66-66-68-62—262
Jim Furyk	65-68-67-63—263
D.A. Points	64-64-68-67—263
Brian Gay	70-63-62-69—264
Ryan Moore	63-70-64-67—264
Ryan Armour	65-68-67-65—265
David Hearn	64-67-64-70—265
Nick Taylor	65-67-70-63—265
Rafa Cabrera Bello	68-68-65-64—266
Harris English	66-65-67-68—266
Billy Horschel	66-68-67-65—266
Chris Kirk	68-65-69-64—266
Hideki Matsuyama	69-68-64-65—266
John Oda	63-70-67-66—266
Brett Stegmaier	64-67-67-68—266
Michael Thompson	66-70-63-67—266
Kevin Tway	67-69-65-65—266
Brice Garnett	65-68-69-65—267
Doug Ghim	68-64-69-66—267
Tom Hoge	69-66-66-66—267
Henrik Stenson	68-65-70-64—267
Abraham Ancer	64-69-64-71—268
Aaron Baddeley	65-67-70-66—268
Jonathan Byrd	64-69-67-68—268
Sergio Garcia	66-65-67-70—268
Danny Lee	68-69-67-64—268
Jamie Lovemark	66-70-64-68—268
Peter Malnati	66-65-71-66—268
Patrick Rodgers	68-67-67-66—268
Shawn Stefani	68-68-66-66—269
Joaquin Niemann	68-69-66-66—269
Cameron Percy	67-67-70-65—269
Johnson Wagner	70-66-67-66—269
Jonas Blixt	68-69-67-66—270
Matthew Fitzpatrick	70-67-65-68—270
Denny McCarthy	66-67-67-70—270
Dylan Meyer	67-68-69-66—270
Trey Mullinax	67-65-68-70—270
Shane Bertsch	68-69-68-66—271
Billy Hurley III	68-69-68-66—271
Keith Mitchell	66-66-68-71—271
Julian Suri	71-66-71-63—271
Sangmoon Bae	67-67-66-72—272
Corey Conners	65-69-70-68—272
Bill Haas	68-68-69-67—272
Chesson Hadley	68-68-69-67—272
Martin Laird	69-66-65-72—272
Scott Piercy	70-67-66-69—272
Sam Ryder	72-64-69-67—272
Sam Saunders	66-70-67-69—272
Roberto Diaz	68-69-67-69—273
Sung Kang	65-69-69-70—273
Harold Varner III	68-69-68-68—273
Richy Werenski	68-69-72-64—273
Ryan Blaum	67-68-69-72—274
Scott Brown	68-65-70-71—274
Lanto Griffin	69-68-68-69—274
Jason Kokrak	69-68-71-66—274
Graeme McDowell	70-67-70-67—274
William McGirt	69-68-67-70—274
Rory Sabbatini	69-67-64-74—274
Ollie Schniederjans	64-73-70-67—274
Martin Flores	64-73-69-69—275
Jason Dufner	69-69-72-70—276
Mackenzie Hughes	69-68-67-73—276
Conrad Shindler	69-68-73-66—276
Hudson Swafford	67-70-66-73—276
Ricky Barnes	66-70-70-71—277
Stephan Jaeger	67-69-71-71—277
Xinjun Zhang	68-67-72-70—277

LPGA Tour

Indy Women in Tech Scores
Saturday
At Brickyard Crossing Golf Club
Indianapolis
Purse: $2 million
Yardage: 6,456; Par 72
Third Round
(a-amateur)

Lizette Salas	62-69-64—195
Amy Yang	66-64-65—197
Sung Hyun Park	66-63-68—197
Lexi Thompson	68-68-64—200
Mina Harigae	69-67-65—201
Nasa Hataoka	64-69-68—201
Jin Young Ko	66-65-70—201
Angel Yin	64-69-69—202
Brianna Do	66-70-67—203
Danielle Kang	65-68-70—203
Marina Alex	68-70-66—204
Hannah Green	69-67-68—204
Ariya Jutanugarn	70-65-69—204
Jennifer Song	68-67-69—204
Mi Hyang Lee	66-69-69—204
Thidapa Suwannapura	67-67-70—204
Bronte Law	69-69-67—205
Chella Choi	68-70-67—205
Lydia Ko	66-71-68—205
Cristie Kerr	69-67-69—205
Eun-Hee Ji	71-69-66—206
So Yeon Ryu	68-71-67—206
Wichanee Meechai	70-68-68—206
Wei-Ling Hsu	67-71-68—206
Emma Talley	70-67-69—206
Madelene Sheils	67-70-69—206
Caroline Hedwall	65-68-73—206
Jenny Shin	72-68-67—207
Brittany Lang	68-71-67—207
Brooke M. Henderson	70-69-68—207
Jeong Eun Lee	70-69-68—207
Caroline Inglis	69-70-68—207
Shanshan Feng	69-70-68—207
Angela Stanford	68-71-68—207
Jane Park	65-74-68—207
Jessica Korda	71-67-69—207
Sandra Gal	70-68-69—207
Haeji Kang	71-66-70—207
Cindy LaCrosse	70-67-70—207
Paula Reto	69-68-70—207
Jackie Stoelting	70-66-71—207
Beatriz Recari	69-70-69—208
Anne-Catherine Tanguay	69-70-70—209
Alena Sharp	67-71-70—208
Austin Ernst	69-68-72—209
Pernilla Lindberg	67-69-72—208
Ashleigh Buhai	68-70-72—209
Moriya Jutanugarn	68-72-69—209
Katherine Kirk	71-68-70—209
Morgan Pressel	70-69-70—209
Caroline Masson	69-70-70—209
Jaye Marie Green	70-68-71—209
Candie Kung	70-68-71—209
Yu Liu	69-69-71—209
Sophia Popov	70-67-72—209
Maria Torres	69-69-72—209
Katelyn Dambaugh	69-67-73—209
Lindy Duncan	70-70-70—210
Jacqui Concolino	70-69-71—210
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	70-69-71—210
Mariah Stackhouse	68-72-70—210
Kris Tamulis	69-68-73—210
Carlota Ciganda	68-70-74—210
Julieta Granada	68-71-72—211
Brittany Altomare	70-69-73—212
Nicole Broch Larsen	67-73-73—213
Azahara Munoz	70-69-74—213
a-Erica Shepherd	71-67-75—213
Camilla Lennarth	70-68-75—213
Dori Carter	72-68-74—214
Annie Park	70-70-74—214
Peiyun Chien	72-68-75—215
Maude-Aimee Leblanc	70-70-77—217

European Tour

Nordea Masters Leading Scores
Sunday
At Hills GC
Gothenburg, Sweden
Purse: $1.7 million
Yardage: 7,166; Par: 71
Final
a-won on first playoff hole

a-Paul Waring, England	66-63-69-68—266
Thomas Aiken, South Africa	66-65-67-68—266
Maximilian Kieffer, Germany	68-69-66-65—267
Thorbjorn Olesen, Denmark	66-69-67-67—268
Lucas Herbert, Australia	68-68-68-65—269
Jazz Janewattananond, Thailand	67-69-72-64—271
Andrea Pavan, Italy	69-66-72-64—271
Haydn Porteous, South Africa	72-67-67-65—271
Robert Rock, England	70-69-65-67—271
Andrew Johnston, England	70-68-68-66—272
Lee Slattery, England	64-69-70-69—272
Matthew Southgate, England	67-73-65-67—272
Adam Bland, Australia	67-67-69-70—273
Johan Carlsson, Sweden	70-68-68-67—273
Thomas Detry, Belgium	66-72-68-67—273
Sebastien Gros, France	71-64-69-69—273
Also	
Hunter Stewart, United States	65-69-74-68—276
Paul Peterson, United States	69-71-71-69—280
Martin Kaymer, Germany	67-67-75-73—282

USGA

U.S. Amateur Scores
Sunday
At Pebble Beach Golf Links
Yardage: 7,075; Par: 71
Pebble Beach, Calif.
Championship
(36 holes)
Viktor Hovland, Norway, def. Devon Bling, Ridgecrest, Calif., 6 and 5.

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Beer Garden

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MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

INDIANS 8
ORIOLES 0

CLEVELAND — Melky Cabrera hit a grand slam to cap a six-run fourth inning and Cleveland beat Baltimore for its AL-leading 13th shutout.

Cabrera, batting right-handed against reliever Sean Gilmartin, hit a 1-1 pitch into the bleachers in left-center for the Indians' ninth grand slam this season, moving them into a tie with Boston and Cincinnati for the major league lead.

Mike Clevinger (9-7) pitched six innings and is 4-0 in five career starts against Baltimore. The right-hander allowed seven hits and struck out seven.

Orioles starter Yefry Ramirez (1-5) allowed seven runs in three-plus innings. The rookie right-hander was removed after the first five hitters reached base in the fourth.

Associated Press

The Cleveland Indians' Melky Cabrera, right, is congratulated by Michael Brantley after Cabrera hit a grand slam in the fourth inning against the Baltimore Orioles on Sunday in Cleveland.

YANKEES 10
BLUE JAYS 2

NEW YORK — J.A. Happ stayed unbeaten with New York by topping his former Toronto teammates, and Greg Bird hit a grand slam during a six-run first inning.

The Yankees completed a three-game sweep, but lost shortstop Didi Gregorius to an injured left heel. Gregorius was hurt when he collided with Toronto first baseman Kendrys Morales beating an infield hit in the first, and was taken to a hospital for evaluation.

Rookie Miguel Andujar drove in two runs and backup infielder Ronald Torreyes, who replaced Gregorius, added three hits.

Happ (14-6) was facing the Blue Jays for the first time since they traded him to the Yankees on July 26. The 35-year-old has won all four of his starts for New York.

The Yankees' first six batters each reached base against Ryan Borucki (2-3).

RAYS 2
RED SOX 0

BOSTON — Jalen Beeks pitched four strong innings against the team that traded him last month and Tampa Bay limited Boston to two singles.

Joey Wendle and C.J. Cron homered as the Rays topped the AL East leaders for just the fifth time in 16 games this season. Six of those Tampa Bay losses have been by one run.

Boston, which owns the majors' best record, lost for only the fourth in 21 games and was shut out for the fifth time this season.

Beeks (2-1) gave up one hit in relief, striking out three and walking two.

TWINS 5
TIGERS 4

MINNEAPOLIS — Eddie Rosario hit a tiebreaking homer in the eighth inning and Minnesota connected three times in all, beating Detroit.

Max Kepler and Jake Cave also homered as the Twins won for the fifth time in six games.

Behind in the count 0-2 after two swings-and-misses to lead off the inning, Rosario launched the third fastball he saw from Alex Wilson (1-4) into the right field seats for his 22nd home run.

Trevor Hildenberger (3-3) relieved Taylor Rogers in the eighth and got James McCann on a grounder with two on to end the inning. He worked a scoreless ninth despite pinch-hitter Victor Reyes' leadoff single and a walk to Jose Iglesias to complete the outing.

WHITE SOX 7
ROYALS 6

CHICAGO — Omar Narvaez homered and drove in the go-ahead run with a single off Brian Flynn (3-4). Chicago relievers tossed seven scoreless innings and the White Sox rallied from a six-run deficit.

Avisail Garcia and Tim Anderson also homered for Chicago, which has won four of five.

Hector Santiago (5-3) allowed just two hits in four innings of relief to get the win. Jace Fry, the last of six relievers, got the final two outs for his second save.

Ryan O'Hearn, Whit Merrifield and Alex Gordon homered for Kansas City, which dropped to 2-13 in the rubber game of series this season.

National League

METS 8
PHILLIES 2

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Amed Rosario had three hits and drove in three runs, and New York went from cheering on players in the Little League World Series to impressing the youngsters in a victory over Philadelphia.

Jeff McNeil added a two-run single to back Jason Vargas (3-8) as the Mets claimed the second Little League Classic and prevented the Phillies from moving into first place in the NL East.

Carlos Santana hit a two-run homer for the Phillies, but Nick Pivetta (7-10) allowed six runs in 3 2/3 innings in Philadelphia's seventh loss in 11 games.

Players and families from the 16 teams competing in the nearby LLWS packed into 2,500-seat Bowman Field, the 92-year-old home of the Phillies' Class A affiliate in the New York-Penn League.

BREWERS 2
CARDINALS 1

ST. LOUIS — Mike Moustakas hit a two-run double, Jhoulys Chacin beat St. Louis for the first time in his career and Milwaukee edged the Cardinals.

Milwaukee (69-57) snapped a three-game losing streak and moved back ahead of St. Louis (68-57) for the second National League wild card. The Cardinals lost for just the second time in their last 12 games.

Chacin (13-4) entered the game 0-7 with a 6.90 ERA in nine career games against the Cardinals, but shut them out through six innings as the Brewers avoided their first three-game sweep at St. Louis since July 1-3, 2016.

PIRATES 2
CUBS 1, 11 INNINGS

PITTSBURGH — Adam Frazier hit a game-ending homer in the 11th inning, and Pittsburgh beat Chicago for a split of their four-game series.

Josh Harrison grounded out and Adeiny Hechavarria struck out before Frazier drove a 3-0 pitch from Brandon Kintzler (1-3) deep to right. It was Frazier's fifth homer of the season.

The Cubs had a prime scoring chance against Richard Rodriguez (3-2) in the top half of the inning, but came up empty. Addison Russell was picked off third by catcher Elias Diaz, and Albert Almora Jr. struck out looking with the bases loaded with two out.

ROCKIES 4
BRAVES 2

ATLANTA — DJ LeMahieu homered, German Marquez pitched seven solid innings and the Rockies closed out their first four-game sweep in Atlanta.

Colorado improved to 30-16 since June 26, and each of those 46 games came against teams with winning records at the time.

LeMahieu put Colorado in front with his third-inning drive to left field. He has hit nine of his 11 homers on the road, including a tiebreaking solo shot in the 10th inning of Saturday

MARLINS 12
NATIONALS 1

WASHINGTON — Jose Urena made the most of his borrowed time, pitching a two-hitter for his first complete game in the majors and leading Miami over Washington.

Urena (4-12) was suspended for six games by Major League Baseball after hitting Atlanta rookie Ronald Acuna Jr. on Wednesday. Urena was ejected from that start after throwing only one pitch and appealed the penalty, keeping him eligible to play.

DIAMONDBACKS 4
PADRES 3

SAN DIEGO — A.J. Pollock homered in the ninth inning, and Arizona beat San Diego to stay on top of the NL West.

Pollock drove a 1-2 pitch from Kirby Yates (4-2) over the wall in left for his 16th homer, sending Arizona to its fourth win in five games. San Diego had tied it at 3 on Daniel Descalso's solo homer off rookie Trey Wingenter in the eighth.

REDS 11
GIANTS 4

CINCINNATI — Eugenio Suarez hit a two-run homer during Cincinnati's seven-run third inning, and the Reds swept San Francisco.

Jose Peraza also hit a two-run homer for Cincinnati, which outscored San Francisco 18-5 in the last two games of the weekend set. Billy Hamilton tripled twice and drove in three runs.

Reds right-hander Luis Castillo (7-10) struck out nine in 6 2/3 innings. He was charged with three runs, one earned, and six hits.

Interleague

DODGERS 12
MARINERS 1

SEATTLE — Clayton Kershaw pitched seven sharp innings for his 150th career win, Justin Turner homered and drove in five runs, and Los Angeles routed Seattle.

Kershaw (6-5) gave up four hits, struck out seven and walked one. The 30-year-old lefty with three NL Cy Young Awards improved to 150-69 in the majors.

'HOUNDSREPORT

FROM STAFF REPORTS

ROCKHOUNDS 9, TRAVELERS 4
At Security Bank Ballpark

TOP HITTERS: The RockHounds were led by Seth Brown, who was 2-for-2 with a home run, two walks, four RBI and two runs scored. Teammate Brett Vertigan was 2-for-3 with a walk and two runs scored. … For Arkansas, Dario Pizzano was 2-for-3 with a walk and a run scored.

TOP PITCHER: James Naile had a solid start in his return to Midland as he allowed four earned runs on 10 hits, walked one and struck out two to earn the win.

HIGHLIGHTS: Arkansas had a 2-1 lead when the RockHounds scored four runs in the third on a two-run single by Tyler Ramirez and a two-run home run by Brown. … A two-run home run by Arkansas' Logan Taylor in the top of the fourth cut it to 5-4, before Midland answered in the bottom half with three runs on RBI singles by Eli White, J.P. Sportman and Brown.

NOTES: The RockHounds won the three-game series, 2-1, with the win and also went 4-2 on the homestand. … The RockHounds travel to Corpus Christi at 7:05 p.m. Tuesday to begin a four-game series. After Sunday, Midland is 11 games back of the first-place Hooks in the Texas League South with 14 games left in the regular season. The RockHounds need to win the second-half division title to make the playoffs as they are 13 games back of San Antonio for the wild card spot.

TL standings

Second Half

North Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa	31	23	.574	—
Arkansas	29	26	.527	2½
Northwest Arkansas	26	29	.473	5½
Springfield	23	32	.418	8½

South Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Corpus Christi	33	22	.600	—
Frisco	29	27	.518	4½
San Antonio	26	28	.481	6½
Midland	23	33	.411	10½

Sunday's Scores
Springfield 2, Corpus Christi 0
Midland 9, Arkansas 4
Northwest Arkansas 6, Frisco 3
Frisco 6, Northwest Arkansas 5
Tulsa 3, San Antonio 1

Tuesday's Games
Frisco at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.
Midland at Corpus Christi, 7:05 p.m.
Springfield at Northwest Arkansas, 7:05 p.m.
Tulsa at Arkansas, 7:10 p.m.

ROCKHOUNDS 9, TRAVELERS 4

Arkansas	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Taylor lf	5	0	2	1	White 2b	5	2	2	1
Mendoza ss	4	0	0	0	Ramirez cf	5	1	1	1
Filia rf	4	0	1	1	Sportman rf	4	0	2	1
Curletta 1b	4	0	1	0	Brown 1b	2	2	2	4
Pizzano dh	3	1	2	0	Bolt dh	3	1	2	0
Taylor 3b	4	1	1	2	Martin ss	4	0	1	1
Marecal 2b	4	0	1	0	Mondou 3b	3	1	1	1
Amaral cf	4	1	1	0	Goldstein c	4	0	1	0
Scott c	3	1	1	0	Vertigan lf	3	2	2	0
Totals	[illegible]				Totals	33	9	14	9

Arkansas 002 200 000—4
Midland 014 300 10x—9

DP — Arkansas 1, Midland 2. LOB — Arkansas 6, Midland 5. 2B — Sportman (22), Goldstein (2). HR — Taylor (7), Brown (13). SF — Mondou. CS — Sportman (12).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Arkansas						
Goudeau L, 2-4	3.2	10	8	8	2	2
Walker	2.1	3	0	0	0	2
Mills	1.0	0	1	1	2	0
Gillies	1.0	1	0	0	0	0
Midland						
Naile W, 1-0	8.0	10	4	4	1	2
Martin	1.0	0	0	0	1	0

T — 2:19. A — 2,876.

RANGERS

From 1B

In a pinch

Ohtani connected on his second pinch-hit homer of the season in Saturday's win. He's the first Angels player with two pinch homers in a season since Russell Branyan in 2011. The two-way Japanese star has reached in eight of 17 pinch-hit appearances.

"Shohei is as prepared as any player I've seen, even more so," manager Mike Scioscia said. "But pinch-hitting is different than going up there and having four at-bats against a pitcher. There's less margin of error as far as when you miss a pitch that you should hit. He's been terrific."

Trainer's room

Angels: Ohtani threw 20 pitches Saturday in his third bullpen session in eight days. The right-hander is expected to face hitters at the club's minor league facility in Arizona this week. Ohtani hasn't pitched since June 6 because of a ligament sprain in his right elbow.

Rangers: Manager Jeff Banister said the club would wait until after flying to Oakland to determine when 45-year-old right-hander Bartolo Colon will make his next start. Colon was scratched from Sunday's scheduled start because of back stiffness.

Up next

Neither team has announced probable starters for the next series. The Angels have a two-game set at Arizona starting Tuesday, and the Rangers play three in Oakland beginning today.

ASTROS

From 1B

against the Astros.

Trainer's room

Astros: 2B Jose Altuve (right knee) began a rehab assignment Sunday for Triple-A Fresno at Tacoma, going 1 for 3 with a strikeout and hit by pitch ... C Brian McCann (right knee) went 0 for 3 and caught six innings on Saturday night for the Grizzlies.

Up next

Astros: RHP Gerrit Cole (11-5, 2.71) starts for Houston at Seattle tonight.

Athletics: RHP Mike Fiers (8-6, 3.38) takes the mound against Texas tonight.

MLB GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	88	37	.704	—
New York	78	46	.629	9½
Tampa Bay	63	61	.508	24½
Toronto	55	69	.444	32½
Baltimore	37	87	.298	50½
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Cleveland	71	52	.577	—
Minnesota	59	64	.480	12
Detroit	51	74	.408	21
Chicago	46	77	.374	25
Kansas City	38	86	.306	33½
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Houston	75	49	.605	—
Oakland	74	50	.597	1
Seattle	71	54	.568	4½
Los Angeles	63	63	.500	13
Texas	56	70	.444	20

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East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	68	55	.553	—
Philadelphia	66	56	.541	1½
Washington	62	63	.496	7
New York	54	69	.439	14
Miami	50	76	.397	19½
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Chicago	71	52	.577	—
Milwaukee	69	57	.548	3½
St. Louis	68	57	.544	4
Pittsburgh	63	62	.504	9
Cincinnati	55	69	.444	16½
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Arizona	69	56	.552	—
Colorado	68	56	.548	½
Los Angeles	67	58	.536	2
San Francisco	61	64	.488	8
San Diego	49	78	.386	21

Sunday's scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Tampa Bay 2, Boston 0
N.Y. Yankees 10, Toronto 2
Cleveland 8, Baltimore 0
Chicago White Sox 7, Kansas City 6
Minnesota 5, Detroit 4
Texas 4, L.A. Angels 2
Houston 9, Oakland 4

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Cincinnati 11, San Francisco 4
Colorado 4, Atlanta 2
Miami 12, Washington 1
Pittsburgh 2, Chicago Cubs 1, 11 innings
Milwaukee 2, St. Louis 1
Arizona 4, San Diego 3
N.Y. Mets 8, Philadelphia 2

INTERLEAGUE
L.A. Dodgers 12, Seattle 1

Today's games

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Baltimore (Cashner 4-10) at Toronto (Estrada 6-9), 6:07 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Giolito 9-9) at Minnesota (Gonsalves 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Kluber 15-6) at Boston (Porcello 15-6), 6:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Lopez 0-2) at Tampa Bay (TBD), 6:10 p.m.
Texas (Gallardo 7-2) at Oakland (Fiers 8-6), 9:05 p.m.
Houston (Cole 11-5) at Seattle (Hernandez 8-11), 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Atlanta (Gausman 7-9) at Pittsburgh (Archer 4-5), 6:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Holland 6-8) at N.Y. Mets (Wheeler 8-6), 6:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Bailey 1-10) at Milwaukee (Anderson 7-7), 7:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Gomber 3-0) at L.A. Dodgers (Wood 7-6), 9:10 p.m.

Saturday's late Texas box score

ANGELS 11, RANGERS 7

Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
K.Clhun rf	5	1	1	0	Odor 2b	5	2	3	1
Fletcher 2b	4	1	2	3	Andrus ss	5	1	3	1
Upton lf	5	1	2	0	Beltre dh	4	0	1	2
Pujols dh	4	2	3	4	D.Rbnsn ph	1	0	0	0
Simmons ss	5	0	0	0	Mazara rf	4	0	1	0
R.Rivera c	3	0	0	0	Profar 3b	5	0	1	0
Ohtani ph	1	1	1	3	Gallo lf	5	3	3	0
F.Arcia c	0	0	0	0	R.Chirns c	4	0	1	1
J.Marte 1b	4	1	2	0	Guzman 1b	4	0	0	0
Ward 3b	5	2	2	1	Tocci cf	3	1	1	1
Yng Jr. cf	5	2	3	0					
Totals	41	11	16	11	Totals	40	7	14	6

Los Angeles 012 300 005—11
Texas 110 400 100—7

DP—Los Angeles 1, Texas 1. LOB—Los Angeles 7, Texas 9. 2B—Fletcher (12), Odor (21), Gallo 2 (20). 3B—Young Jr. (2). HR—Pujols (19), Ohtani (13), Ward (1). CS—Odor (8), Andrus (3). S—Fletcher (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Heaney	5 1-3	10	6	6	2	5
Bedrosian W,5-2	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Alvarez	1	2	1	1	0	0
Jerez	1	0	0	0	0	1
Parker	1	1	0	0	1	0
Texas						
Perez	6	9	6	6	2	3
Butler L,2-3	2	6	5	5	0	1
Claudio	1	1	0	0	0	1

HBP—by Claudio (Arcia). WP—Heaney.
Umpires—Home, Fieldin Culbreth; First, Chris Conroy; Second, Vic Carapazza; Third, CB Bucknor.
T—3:28. A—24,789 (49,115).

Sunday's Texas box scores

RANGERS 4, ANGELS 2

Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
K.Clhun rf	4	0	1	0	Choo dh	4	2	3	0
Fletcher 2b	4	1	2	0	Odor 2b	3	1	2	4
Ohtani dh	3	1	1	0	Andrus ss	4	0	1	0
Pujols 1b	4	0	0	1	Mazara rf	4	0	1	0
Simmons ss	4	0	1	0	Profar 3b	4	0	1	0
F.Arcia c	3	0	0	0	Gallo lf	2	0	0	0
Ward 3b	3	0	0	0	Guzman 1b	4	0	1	0
Cozart lf	3	0	0	0	Kin-Flc c	4	0	1	0
Yng Jr. cf	3	0	1	0	D.Rbnsn cf	3	1	1	0
Totals	31	2	6	1	Totals	32	4	11	4

Los Angeles 000 200 000—2
Texas 100 000 30x—4

DP—Los Angeles 1, Texas 3. LOB—Los Angeles 3, Texas 7. 2B—Fletcher (13), Ohtani (15), Choo (27), Profar (28). HR—Odor (10). CS—K. Calhoun (2), Odor (10).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Skaggs	5	7	1	1	1	5
Buttrey	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ramirez L,4-4 BS,3	1	3	3	3	0	0
Johnson	1	0	0	0	1	0

Texas	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Gallardo	6	5	2	2	1	6
Moore W,3-6	1	0	0	0	0	1
Gearrin	1	0	0	0	0	2
Leclerc S,5-9	1	0	0	0	0	1

Umpires—Home, Chris Conroy; First, Vic Carapazza; Second, CB Bucknor; Third, Fieldin Culbreth.
T—2:35. A—26,881 (49,115).

ASTROS 9, ATHLETICS 4

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Oakland	ab	r	h	bi
Springer cf	5	1	2	1	Martini lf	4	1	1	0
Bregman 3b	5	2	3	2	M.Chpmn 3b	3	1	1	1
Gurriel 2b-1b	4	1	1	3	Lowrie 2b	4	0	0	0
Correa ss	4	0	1	0	K.Davis dh	4	2	3	3
White 1b	4	0	1	0	M.Olson 1b	4	0	1	0
T.Kemp lf	0	0	0	0	Piscotty rf	4	0	0	0
M.Gnzlz lf-2b	4	1	1	1	Semien ss	3	0	1	0
Gattis dh	4	1	1	1	Canha cf	4	0	0	0
Reddick rf	4	0	0	0	Lucroy c	3	0	1	0
Maldonado c	4	3	3	1	Pinder ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	38	9	13	9	Totals	34	4	8	4

Houston 004 110 210—9
Oakland [illegible]—4

DP—Houston 1, Oakland 2. LOB—Houston 2, Oakland 5. 2B—Maldonado (17). 3B—Maldonado (1). HR—Bregman (24), Gurriel (8), M.Gonzalez (11), Gattis (24), Maldonado (7), M.Chapman (17), K.Davis 2 (36).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Verlander W,12-8	5 1-3	7	4	4	1	6
Peacock	2-3	0	0	0	1	2
Pressly	1	1	0	0	0	1
Rondon	1	0	0	0	0	0
Smith	1	0	0	0	0	1
Oakland						
Manaea L,11-9	4	9	6	6	0	5
Trivino	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kelley	2-3	1	0	0	0	2
Buchter	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Pagan	3	3	3	3	0	4

Manaea pitched to 3 batters in the 5th.
WP—Peacock.
Umpires—Home, D.J. Reyburn; First, Sam Holbrook; Second, Alfonso Marquez; Third, Jim Wolf.
T—3:07. A—23,143 (46,765).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

RAYS 2, RED SOX 0
Tampa Bay 010 000 001—2 4 1
Boston 000 000 000—0 2 0
D.Castillo, Beeks (2), Roe (8), Alvarado (8), Romo (9) and Sucre; Velazquez, Workman (5), Kelly (7), Hembree (8), M.Barnes (9) and Swihart. W—Beeks 2-1. L—Velazquez 7-1. Sv—Romo (16). HRs—Tampa Bay, Cron (24), Wendle (7).

INDIANS 8, ORIOLES 0
Baltimore 000 000 000—0 7 2
Cleveland 110 600 00x—8 10 0
Y.Ramirez, Gilmartin (4), Meisinger (5), Scott (6), Carroll (7), P.Fry (8) and Joseph; Clevinger, Miller (7), Otero (8), Cimber (9) and R.Perez. W—Clevinger 9-7. L—Y.Ramirez 1-5. HRs—Cleveland, Cabrera (4).

YANKEES 10, BLUE JAYS 2
Toronto 100 001 000—2 9 1
New York 600 000 04x—10 12 0
Borucki, Biagini (1), Shafer (5), Mayza (6), Pannone (6), Clippard (8) and Jansen; J.Happ, Holder (6), Gray (8) and Higashioka. W—J.Happ 14-6. L—Borucki 2-3. HRs—Toronto, Grichuk (17), Morales (14). New York, Bird (11).

WHITE SOX 7, ROYALS 6
Kansas City [illegible]—6 9 0
Chicago [illegible]—7 10 1
Fillmyer, Flynn (4), Hammel (7) and S.Perez; Lopez, Santiago (3), Gomez (7), Cedeno (7), Avilan (8), Vieira (8), J.Fry (9) and Narvaez. W—Santiago 5-3. L—Flynn 3-4. Sv—J.Fry (2). HRs—Kansas City, Gordon (9), Merrifield (8), O'Hearn (4). Chicago, Narvaez (6), Garcia (14), Anderson (16).

TWINS 5, TIGERS 4
Detroit 010 003 000—4 8 1
Minnesota 002 200 01x—5 7 0
Farmer, Reininger (3), Stumpf (5), A.Wilson (7), Coleman (8) and McCann; Odorizzi, Magill (6), Rogers (6), Hildenberger (8) and Garver. W—Hildenberger 3-3. L—A.Wilson 1-4. HRs—Minnesota, Cave (5), Rosario (22), Kepler (16).

INTERLEAGUE

ANGELS 12, MARINERS 1
Los Angeles 300 111 150—12 17 1
Seattle 000 100 000—1 5 1
Kershaw, Hudson (8), Rosscup (9) and A.Barnes; Elias, Bradford (4), Festa (7), Romine (9) and Herrmann, Zunino. W—Kershaw 6-5. L—Elias 2-1. HRs—Los Angeles, Turner (9), Hernandez (18).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

REDS 11, GIANTS 4
San Francisco 010 000 210—4 8 1
Cincinnati 007 000 22x—11 17 2
Suarez, Blach (3), Strickland (6), Black (7), d'Arnaud (8) and Hundley; L.Castillo, Garrett (7), W.Peralta (9) and Casali. W—L.Castillo 7-10. L—Suarez 4-9. HRs—Cincinnati, Suarez (27), Peraza (8).

MARLINS 12, NATIONALS 1
Miami 000 802 110—12 17 0
Washington 001 000 000—1 2 2
Urena and Holaday; G.Gonzalez, Holland (5), Miller (6) and Wieters, Kieboom. W—Urena 4-12. L—G.Gonzalez 7-10. HRs—Miami, Riddle (7), Galloway (1), Realmuto (16).

ROCKIES 4, BRAVES 2
Colorado 012 000 001—4 8 1
Atlanta 100 001 000—2 6 0
Marquez, Ottavino (8), W.Davis (9) and Wolters, Iannetta; A.Sanchez, Biddle (7), Winkler (8), Brach (9) and Flowers. W—Marquez 11-9. L—A.Sanchez 6-4. Sv—W.Davis (35). HRs—Colorado, LeMahieu (11), Story (26).

BREWERS 2, CARDINALS 1
Milwaukee 002 000 000—2 6 0
St. Louis 000 000 010—1 6 0
Chacin, Jeffress (7), Hader (8) and Kratz; Gant, Cecil (5), Ross (6), Mayers (8) and Molina. W—Chacin 13-4. L—Gant 5-5. Sv—Hader (10). HRs—St. Louis, Wisdom (1).

PIRATES 2, CUBS 1 (11 INNINGS)
Chicago 010 000 000 00—1 8 2
Pittsburgh 000 001 000 01—2 8 1
Quintana, Edwards Jr. (6), Cishek (8), Strop (9), Kintzler (11) and Contreras; Taillon, E.Santana (7), Kela (8), Vazquez (9), Rodriguez (10) and E.Diaz. W—Rodriguez 3-2. L—Kintzler 1-3. HRs—Chicago, Schwarber (22). Pittsburgh, Frazier (5).

DIAMONDBACKS 4, PADRES 3
Arizona 011 000 011—4 11 0
San Diego [illegible]—3 [illegible]
Greinke, Ziegler (7), Bradley (8), Boxberger (9) and Mathis; Kennedy, Strahm (6), Stammen (7), Wingenter (8), Yates (9) and Ellis. W—Bradley 4-4. L—Yates 4-2. Sv—Boxberger (29). HRs—Arizona, Peralta (23), Descalso (11), Pollock (16). San Diego, Renfroe (14).

METS 8, PHILLIES 2
New York [illegible]—8 14 0
Philadelphia [illegible]—2 8 0
Vargas, Lugo (6), D.Smith (8), Zamora (9) and Plawecki; Pivetta, Morgan (4), Rios (6), Hunter (7), Garcia (8), E.Ramos (9) and W.Ramos. W—Vargas 3-8. L—Pivetta 7-10. HRs—Philadelphia, Santana (18).

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NEW ENGLAND, Coventry (R.I.); MID-ATLANTIC, Staten Island (N.Y.); SOUTHEAST, Peachtree City, Ga.; GREAT LAKES, Grosse Pointe Woods (Mich.); MIDWEST, Des Moines (Iowa); SOUTHWEST, Houston; NORTHWEST, Coeur d'Alene (Idaho); WEST, Honolulu

INTERNATIONAL
ASIA-PACIFIC, Seoul (South Korea); AUSTRALIA, Gold Coast; CANADA, Surrey (British Columbia); CARIBBEAN, Guayama (Puerto Rico); EUROPE/AFRICA, Barcelona (Spain); JAPAN, Kawaguchi; LATIN AMERICA, Aguadulce (Panama); MEXICO, Matamoros

Double Elimination

Sunday
Game 13: Seoul (South Korea) 5, Matamoros (Mexico) 1
Game 14: Staten Island (N.Y.) 2, Houston 1
Game 15: Kawaguchi (Japan) 4, Aguadulce (Panama) 2
Game 16: Honolulu 8, Grosse Pointe Woods (Mich.) 3

Monday
Game A: Gold Coast (Australia) vs. Coventry (R.I.), 10 a.m.
Game 17: Aguadulce (Panama) vs. Guayama (Puerto Rico), noon
Game 18: Grosse Pointe Woods (Mich.) vs. Des Moines (Iowa), 2 p.m.
Game 19: Matamoros (Mexico) vs. Surrey (British Columbia), 5 p.m.
Game 20: Houston vs. Peachtree City (Ga.), 7 p.m.

Tuesday
Game B: Barcelona (Spain) vs. Coeur d'Alene (Idaho), 10 a.m.
Game 21: Game 17 winner vs. Game 19 winner, 2 p.m.
Game 22: Game 18 winner vs. Game 20 winner, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday
Game 23: Seoul (South Korea) vs. Kawaguchi (Japan), 2 p.m.
Game 24: Staten Island (N.Y.) vs. Honolulu, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday
Game 25: Game 21 winner vs. Game 23 loser, 2 p.m.
Game 26: Game 22 winner vs. Game 24 loser, 6 p.m.

Saturday
International Championship
Game 27: Game 23 winner vs. Game 25 winner, 11:30 a.m.
United States Championship
Game 28: Game 24 winner vs. Game 26 winner, 2:30 p.m.

Aug. 26
At Lamade Stadium
Third Place
Game 29: Loser Game 27 vs. Loser Game 28, 9 a.m.
World Championship
Game 30: Winner Game 27 vs. Winner Game 28, 2 p.m.

Djokovic beats Federer for 1st Cincinnati title

Associated Press

MASON, Ohio — Novak Djokovic gave his racket to a fan and tossed his sweatbands into the stands. No need for mementos from this victory. The long-awaited Rookwood pottery trophy would be plenty.

Djokovic finally mastered the one tournament that's eluded him, beating nemesis Roger Federer 6-4, 6-4 on Sunday for his first Western & Southern Open championship.

He got the better of a nostalgic rematch — they hadn't played in two years because of injuries — and broke through in a tournament that Federer has won seven times, never losing a title match.

"Thank you for letting me win once in Cincinnati," he told Federer as they stood on court for the trophy presentation.

After reaching the final five times and losing every time — three to Federer — Djokovic jumped and punched the air in celebration of his breakthrough. He's the first to claim all nine ATP Masters 1000 events since the series started in 1990.

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
BROADCAST																	
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Bachelor in Paradise (N)				The Proposal (N)		Big 2 News (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News (N)	Ent. Tonight	Carpool Karaoke (N)		Salvation (N)		Elementary (N)		CBS 7 News (N)	(:35) The Late Show		(:35) J.Corden
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Gomer Pyle	WKRP	Hogan's Heroes	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	P. Mason "The Case of the Dead Ringer"		Twilight Zone
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Think You Can Dance "Top 8 Perform" The dancers continue to fight for America's vote. (N)				Fox 24 News (N)	TMZ	Mom	Modern Family	Modern Family	Mother "Pilot"
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Faith for Families	Hope Today	Update News	Being Your Best	Light of the Southwest		Light of the Southwest		Update News	American Heritage	Housecall	Restore Zion
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 (N)	NewsWest 9 Now	American Ninja Warrior "Minneapolis City Finals" (N)				America-Talent "Live Results 1"		NewsWest 9 (N)	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour (N)		Celtic Thunder "X" Celebrating 10 Years of Celtic Thunder.			Nathan Carter: Celtic Country Nathan sings a variety of country and Irish classics.				Amanpour (N)	News (N)	Theatre Talk
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	La rosa de Guadalupe		El Rico y Lazaro		La Bella y Las Bestias		La piloto		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Contacto Deportivo	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Last Man	Last Man	SVU "Tangled"		SVU "Sacrifice"		Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Anger M.	Anger M.	News	Game
PREMIUM																	
FLIX	340	575		165		(5:00) C Pretty Pers...		C ++ The Weather Man			(:45) C ++ The Stepford Wives Nicole Kidman.				C ++ Changing Lanes		
HBO	300	550	14	14		LastWeek	News (N)	C Girls Trip ('17, Com) Jada Pinkett Smith.				Insecure	Insecure	(:15) Sharp Objects		(:50) Ballers	Movie
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(5:30) C Passenger 57		Sharp Objects (N)		(:50) Ballers	Insecure	Flyness	Animals.	LastWk	C +++ Predator		
HBOS	304	552	16	102		(4:15) C +++ Kiss Kiss Bang Bang				C Murder on the Orient Express				C The Hitman's Bodyguard Ryan Reynolds.			
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:00) C Kong: Skull ...		C +++ The Bourne Identity Matt Damon.				C + The Wicker Man			(:45) C ++++ Nocturnal Animals		
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:05) C +++ Dave ('93, Com) Kevin Kline.				C +++ Never Been Kissed			(:50) C ++ The Girl Next Door Emile Hirsch.				Movie
PLEX			96			(5:30) C The Naked...		C The Naked Gun 2 1/2: The...			C The Naked Gun ...		(:35) C + Ghoulies Peter Liapis.			(:20) C Beavis & Bu...	
SHOW	320	985	19	140	25	Cartoon	(:45) The Affair			America?	Cartoon	The Affair		America?	(:45) C Home Again		
TMC	336	979	22	155	26	(4:50) C +++ The Game		C Patriots Day ('16, Dra) Mark Wahlberg.				(:15) C ++ Vantage Point Dennis Quaid.				C ++ The Interpreter	
CABLE																	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Jeff Dunham: Birth of a Dummy				The Tragic Side of Comedy The rise and fall of some comic geniuses.				(:05) Jeff Dunham: Birth of a Dummy An in-depth look at ventriloquist Jeff Dunham.			
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:00) C +++ Lethal Weapon 4 Mel Gibson.				Better Call Saul		Lodge 49 "Corpus"		(:05) Better Call Saul		(:05) Lodge 49	
BET	58	-		40		(5:00) C We Belong Together Cassidey Fralin.				MTV Video Music Awards (N)				Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin
BRAVO	65	76		41		The Real Housewives		Real Housewives		Real Housewives (N)		Charm Savannah (N)		Watch	H.Wives "Rumors"		Below
CNBC	46	52		39	72	American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed (N)		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		A. Cooper 360		CNN Tonight		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Street Outlaws		Street Outlaws (N)		Street Outlaws (N)		Diesel Brothers (N)		Street Outlaws		(:01) Diesel Brothers	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Stuckbfd.	Stuckbfd.	Andi M.	Andi M.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Bunk'd	Bunk'd
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Countdown (L)		NFL Football Pre-season Baltimore Ravens at Indianapolis Colts (L)						SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	(5:00) Baseball		Baseball Little League World Series (L)				College Football Live		Rolling With Tide		Rolling With Tide	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	The Story		Tucker Carlson		Hannity		The Ingraham Angle		Fox News @ Night		Tucker Carlson	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Kids Baking		Kids Baking		Kids Baking (N)		Cupcake	Cupcake	Cakes (N)	Cakes	Kids Baking	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Movie	(:50) C ++ The Parent Trap ('98, Fam) Dennis Quaid, Lindsay Lohan.							The 700 Club		C Troop Beverly H...	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	UFC Classics "Frank Mir" (N)		WPT Poker		HS Spotlight	Pre-game (L)	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Oakland Athletics Site: Oakland Alameda Coliseum -- Oakland, Calif. (L)					
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(4:30) C How to Tra...		C Angry Birds ('16, Ani) Jason Sudeikis.				C Angry Birds ('16, Ani) Jason Sudeikis.				C Parental Guidance	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(5:00) C Falling for V...		C Summer in the City Juliana Goll.				G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Love It or List It (N)		Hunters	House (N)	H.Hunt	House	Love It or List It	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers (N)		(:03) Pickers (N)		(:03) Amer. Pickers		(:03) Amer. Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	The First 48 "Last Wish"		Live PD: Women	Live PD: Women	PDW-omen (N)	PDW-omen (N)	(:03) Esc.Polygamy "A Daughter's Revolt" (N)		(:03) Escaping Polygamy (N)		Live PD: Women	Live PD: Women
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Hardball (N)		All In (N)		Rachel Maddow (N)		The Last Word (N)		The 11th Hour (N)		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN	38	43				Poker U.S. Open		Poker U.S. Open		Poker U.S. Open		Poker U.S. Open		Poker U.S. Open		Poker U.S. Open	
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Loud H.	H.Danger	H.Danger	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	(5:00) C ++ Battleship ('12, Sci-Fi) Taylor Kitsch.				MTV Video Music Awards				C ++ Battleship ('12, Sci-Fi) Taylor Kitsch.			
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Movie	C ++ Escape Plan ('13, Act) Sylvester Stallone.					C ++ Deja Vu ('06, Act) Jim Caviezel, Denzel Washington.					Movie
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	American Dad!	American Dad!	Conan (N)		Brooklyn 99	Conan
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:00) C Bhowani Ju...		C +++ The Prisoner of Zenda				C +++ King Solomon's Mines Deborah Kerr.				C +++ Scaramouche	
TELE	20	-	10	20		Exatlón: Estados Unidos (N)				Sin Senos Sí Hay (N)		Señor de cielos (N)		Al rojo	(:35) Titulr.	Sin Senos Sí Hay Par	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes to the Dress	Count On "Jinger and Jeremy's Little Secret"		Counting On "An Explosive Reveal" (N)		Little Life on the Prairie (N)		(:03) Counting On "An Explosive Reveal"		(:03) Little Life on the Prairie	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(4:00) C Star Wars: Episode VI - Return...		C ++ Star Wars: Episode III - Revenge of the Sith Anakin is swayed by the Dark Side of the Force, putting Obi-Wan and Padme at risk.						(:45) C +++ Watchmen (2009, Action) Billy Crudup, Matthew Goode, Malin Akerman.			
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	MASH	M*A*S*H	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	2½Men	2½Men	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Modern Family	Modern Family	WWE Monday Night Raw						(:05) Mr. & Mrs.	(:35) Modern	(:05) Modern	(:35) Modern
WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops

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Old friend seeks encouraging words for mother of a criminal

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: What do you say when a friend's son has committed a horrific crime? Does one say, "I'm sorry" or "Call me," or merely pat them on the shoulder and move on? Or, what?

I know she is suffering and blames herself for his crime. How do I even approach her? I knew her quite well until I moved away and started my life on an opposite coast. Telling her what her son did is not her fault somehow seems trite.

I'm sure other people have been in this kind of situation. I found out about the young man's crime from the news media. I haven't been in contact with his mother for some time, which makes me feel awkward. — LOST FOR WORDS

DEAR LOST: The time to be a friend is when somebody needs one. I'm sure your friend could use some emotional support right now. If you have her phone number, call her and tell her you know she's hurting and that she's in your thoughts and prayers. Tell her you are with her in spirit and hope she knows you care about her and her son. Then listen. There's not much more you can do than that.

DEAR ABBY: I've been seeing this guy, "Jason," for a year and eight months. I love him and he loves me, but I've been offered a really good job about three hours from where we live. It is a job I've been wanting for a long time, with retirement, pension and other benefits. Once I get in and there's an opening here, I can apply and move back.

Jason doesn't want me to accept the job because he says long-distance relationships never work. I told him I'm willing to try. Is it selfish of me to accept this job in spite of being in a relationship with someone I want a future with, knowing it could possibly break us up? — CONFUSED IN THE WEST

DEAR CONFUSED: It's not selfish. "Selfish" is a boyfriend (not even a fiance) who would expect you to pass up an opportunity that offers retirement, pension and other benefits knowing how important it is to you. Mature adults are able to defer gratification and forgo an immediate reward in anticipation of a later one.

DEAR ABBY: I am almost 14 and entering high school. I am really scared and don't know what to do. I just want to go to class, study hard, get good grades and get out. But it's not that simple. Can you give me some advice about high school and what I should watch out for? — SCARED OF HIGH SCHOOL IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR SCARED: Calm your fears. It may comfort you to know every student feels the way you do when first entering high school. It's a new environment, and you will encounter new people.

Be nice to everyone, and most of them will like you. That's how friendships are made. Look for extracurricular activities that interest you, and join some if you can. You already know you will need to study hard. If you do, good grades will follow.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠K9863 ♡K104 ♢KJ4 ♣32

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♢	Pass	?	

What call would you make?

A — We all recognize the reverse, but what now? Your first priority is to show five cards in your major. Bid 2S. This bid is forcing, but it doesn't promise or deny a good hand.

Q 2 — East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠AK73 ♡Q97 ♢Q ♣KJ1085

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♣	1♢	1♡	3♢*

*Pre-emptive

What call would you make?

A — Partner's bid does not promise a five-card suit, but you should raise anyway. Bid 3H.

Q 3 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠A74 ♡76 ♢Q108432 ♣KJ

Partner passes and so does right-hand opponent. What call would you make?

A — We wouldn't open a weak two-bid in first or second seat with two control cards outside of our suit. That doesn't apply when partner is a passed hand. Bid 2D.

Q 4 — North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠A5 ♡K2 ♢A1094 ♣KJ1073

As dealer, what call would you make?

A — There is no real alternative to opening 1NT with this hand. Other sequences are too awkward.

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Level 1 2 3 4

		5	6		3			
8								
	3	2	7				1	8
3				7				6
		7	5			8		
5				1				2
4	1				5	2	3	
								4
					4	9		

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, please visit **sudoku.org.uk**

SOLUTION TO SATURDAY'S PUZZLE

7	2	5	9	1	6	8	4	3
3	6	1	5	8	4	9	7	2
9	8	4	7	3	2	5	1	6
2	3	6	8	4	1	7	9	5
4	1	9	6	7	5	2	3	8
8	5	7	2	9	3	4	6	1
6	9	8	1	2	7	3	5	4
1	7	3	4	5	8	6	2	9
5	4	2	3	6	9	1	8	7

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by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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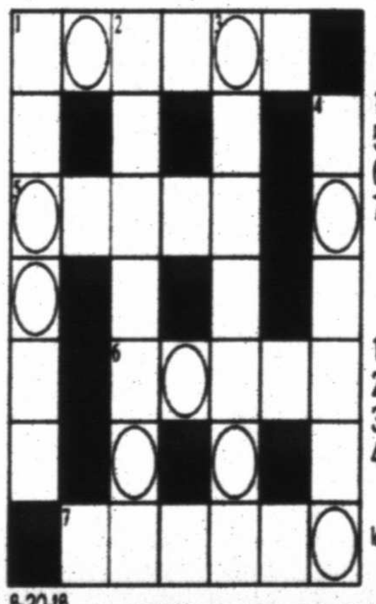

ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Unkempt	GSGYHA
5. One more time	IANAG
6. Army group	OPOTR
7. Stray	RANRET

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Fastener	LTSAEP
2. Power ___	DPAREAT
3. Venice canal boat	ONLOGAD
4. Kettle	OETPTA

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

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CLUE: The invention of the ___ dates back to the 1830s.

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ANSWERS: 1A-Sneaky 5A-Again 6A-Troop 7A-Errant 1D-Snide 2D-Adopter 3D-Condos 4D-Teapot: B-Teapots

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DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS
1 Chowder bit
5 Conversation
9 Chopped cabbage sides
14 Tree with needles
15 Mine, in Metz
16 Bounce off the wall
17 Online site for making a will
19 Wagner work
20 Not kidding
21 Wards (off)
22 System of connected PCs
23 Ironic exclamation before an unsurprising announcement
26 __-di-dah: pretentious
28 Suffix with violin
30 "__ a Sin": Pet Shop Boys hit
31 Fashion's Versace
33 __-pitch
34 Coif for the prom
38 Fills (someone) in about the latest developments
41 Flat to change, in Chelsea
42 Attempt
43 Profited
44 Some fridges
45 Coop layer
46 Online chats, briefly
47 All people, with "the"
52 Airer of old quiz show reruns, for short
54 San Antonio mission
55 Placate
58 Doodle on the guitar
59 Hollywood pre-award speculation
61 Get up
62 Summer weather word
63 Muffin spread
64 Stuns in an arrest
65 Legend
66 Hawaiian root

DOWN
1 NCO below sgt.
2 False statements
3 Thin spaghetti
4 Anne who teamed with Stiller
5 Starbucks tea brand
6 Total up (to)
7 Running free
8 "Li'" rapper
9 Pooh-poohs, with "at"
10 Boutonniere site
11 Sports stadium
12 Lexicographer's love
13 Huge hit
18 Every cloud's silver feature?
24 Go limp
25 Moe or Curly, e.g.
26 Rainbow flag letters
27 Well-ventilated
29 Anne Brontë, to Emily
32 Opposite of SSW
33 One of many in TV's "The Americans"
34 AP competitor
35 Florida, mostly
36 Consider to be
37 Pre-Kentucky Derby postings
39 Heavenly bear
40 Birth control activist Margaret
44 Pointy-hatted garden figures
45 Jazz music fan
47 Attacks
48 Michelob diet beer
49 He broke Ruth's home run record
50 Get a guffaw from
51 "... mighty __ has struck out"
53 Wooden shoe
56 Way in the woods
57 Weizman of Israel
59 Unit of resistance
60 Animal house

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

P	U	L	L	A	H	E	A	D			W	H	I	P
O	N	I	O	N	B	A	G	E	L		H	O	N	K
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	B	E	A	L	I	O	N		T	A	S	T	E	S
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT IN A NON PRODUCTIVE FORMATION

Milestone Enviro Services, LLC, 15721 Park Row, Ste. 150, Houston, Texas 77084 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Grayburg and San Andres Formations, Dusek SWD Lease, Well Number 3. The proposed injection well is located ±8.43 Miles West of Midkiff, Texas in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, in Upton County, Texas. Fluid waste will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4,300 to 6,000 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the **Texas Natural Resources Code**, as amended, and the **Statewide Rules** of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
MIDLAND COUNTY

A meeting of the Commissioners Court will be held on Monday, September 10, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., in the Auxiliary Courtroom, located at the Midland County Courthouse, 500 North Loraine Street, Midland, Texas at which time the following public hearing will be conducted:

1. Conduct Public Hearing on the Midland County Proposed Budget for FY 2018 – 2019.

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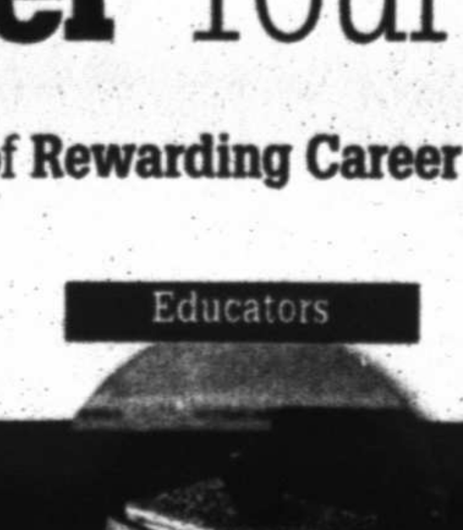

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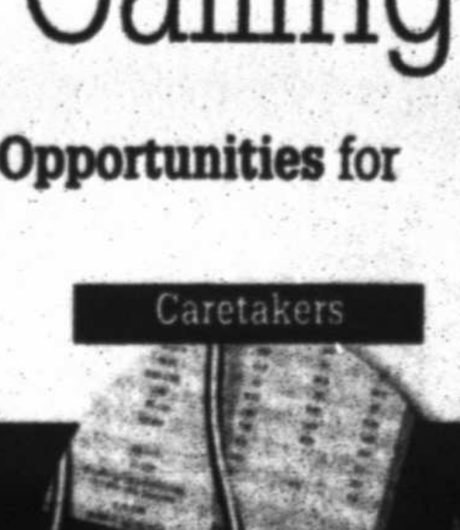

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