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Time-tested Gulf of Mexico retains its allure

Major bounty there draws drill bits through miles of water, millions of years

By Jennifer A. Dlouhy
Houston Chronicle

Seven decades after oil companies first bored wells beneath the Gulf of Mexico, it retains its allure, as recent discoveries tempt energy pioneers with the prospect of pulling crude from 145,000,000-year-old rock buried miles below the seafloor.

The Gulf's appeal is so strong that it anchors many oil companies' portfolios, despite an onshore drilling boom that is putting rigs to work from North Dakota to West Texas.

"This basin keeps reinventing itself," said University of Texas Austin geologist John Snedden. "We keep finding

new plays. And that's why everybody's here."

The oil riches of the Gulf and coastal territories around the globe draw tens of billions in oil company investment — and they're drawing tens of thousands of industry professionals to this week's Offshore Technology Conference in Houston.

And while offshore wells can be at least 30 times more expensive than the ones on land, they promise bigger yields — with production that can span decades — in contrast to what some energy analysts describe as the "drilling treadmill" necessary to keep oil flowing from onshore shale plays.

Companies from around the world are active in the Gulf, employing more than 40 mobile drilling units to

work on projects stretching hundreds of miles from the coast.

That reflects a resurgence in Gulf action. The drilling level now is higher than before the slowdown prompted by the deadly 2010 blowout of BP's Macondo well that killed 11 workers and spilled oil for three months.

"These numbers have not been seen in the Gulf of Mexico before," said Wood Mackenzie analyst Jackson Sandeen.

Technological innovations are helping to unlock untapped areas of the Gulf — and even allowing companies to breathe new life into old projects.

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BUTTERFLY RELEASE



Hundreds of butterflies were released Saturday at Midland College for the ninth annual Butterfly Release and Family Celebration. The event honors lives lost and to give participants an emotional release, said Home Hospice communication relations spokeswoman Karen Carter. "Butterflies are a great symbol for our lives," she said. "For some, the release is joyous — a celebration. It's also a way to heal."

James Durbin
Reporter-Telegram



MIDLAND 101

By Jimmy Patterson

Unorthodox method used to cast early MCT shows

Editor's note: This originally was published in July 2012.

In the printed program accompanying the 1978 production of "The Sunshine Boys," (which co-starred legendary Midlanders Art Cole and Pat Baskin), the show's director, Bill Pomeroy, provided some interesting insights into Midland Community Theater in its earliest days, before the organization sprouted its now well-known wings of success.

"The performances in those days (the 1930s) were held in movie theaters, which would discontinue movie-showing on play-performing nights," Pomeroy wrote. "All rehearsals were in participants' homes and all sets were built in backyards and garages. Then on dress-rehearsal night the cast would have a line-reading at a home after work, try to get some sleep and report to the movie theatre at 3 a.m. for the dress rehearsal, which usually lasted until time to report for their regular business jobs in the morning. The crew would have placed the sets on stage between midnight and the 3 a.m. rehearsal. The expenditure for the cast for eye make-up and coffee must have been tremendous on opening nights."

Pomeroy also wrote that casting for plays in the early days was perhaps even more difficult than set building and 3 a.m. rehearsals, and recalled times when volunteers had to approach people on the street — and convince them they were right for a part, if they visually fit the role in the eyes of theater volunteers. It was a recruiting method that would today likely be regarded as somewhat unorthodox.

"One rehearsal rendezvous was across the street from the old Post Office on South Main, and the occasional routine was to observe people who came in for their mail, choose from among them the appropriate size and shape and sex for the role and attempt to shanghai them into the cast, which led to many a merry chase."

Jimmy Patterson's book, "A History of Character: The Story of Midland, Texas," is scheduled to be published in September.

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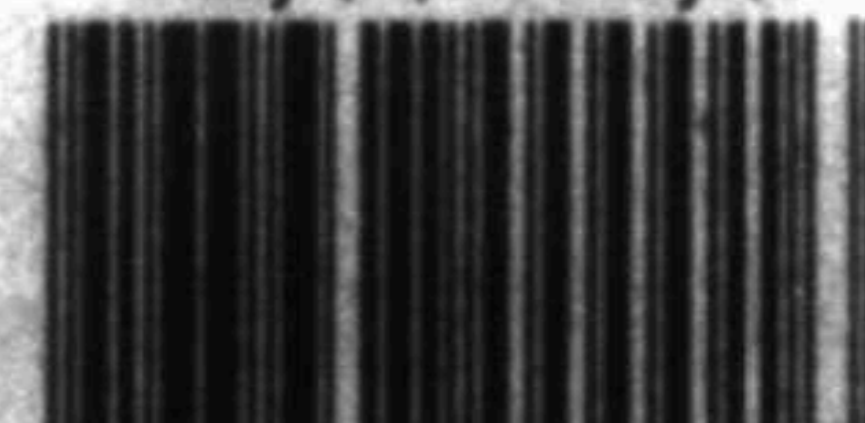
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Eric Gay/AP

San Antonio Spurs fan Sofia Laflano has her face painted prior to Game 7 of the opening-round NBA basketball playoff series between the San Antonio Spurs and Dallas Mavericks on Sunday in San Antonio. The Spurs won the game to advance to the second round of the playoffs. See Page 1C for coverage of the game.

CORPUS CHRISTI Man fled center, drowned after supervision reduced

The drowning of a 35-year-old man who had escaped from a South Texas center for people with developmental disabilities was preventable, according to his family.

Sean Yates, who had been living at the Corpus Christi State Supported Living Center, had a history of escaping from the facility and thus had a staff member with him at all times.

But nine days before he escaped on Jan. 30, officials reduced his level of supervision, the Corpus Christi Caller-Times reported Sunday.

Documents obtained by the newspaper showed some center employees felt it was negligent to have reduced Yates' level of supervision and felt they had been forced into making that decision, which several said they regretted.

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services investigators determined the center staff erred in reducing his supervision.

The body of Yates, who had a high-functioning form of autism, Asperger's and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, was found Feb. 22 in the ship channel in Corpus Christi. His death was ruled accidental by drowning.

His mother, Aleene Yates, said the living center staff did not tell her family that he had been taken off the restrictive supervision. His sister, Ashley Yates, said the family would have objected to the change.

The goal of the facility is to help each resident live as independently as possible, said Cecilia Cavuto, a spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services, which oversees Texas' 13 state-supported living centers.

According to documents obtained by the newspaper through an open records request, a treatment team on Jan. 10 agreed Yates' "only barrier to successful community placement is his history of unauthorized departures."

The team devised a plan to allow Yates to prove himself ready for community placement by reducing his level of supervision to routine Monday through Friday but keeping him on one-to-one supervision on weekends.

"That should have never, never happened," Aleene Yates said of her son's reduced supervision.

The Department of Family and Protective Services investigation concluded the decision to reduce his supervision was negligent because staff didn't properly supervise him, putting him at risk of injury.

In deciding to reduce Yates' supervision, some staff members cited a

STATE BRIEFS

previous meeting where administrators told staff the Corpus Christi living center had one of the state's highest ratios of residents on one-to-one supervision and "that it was not sustainable to keep so many residents on 1:1," one staffer said in documents.

Cavuto said there is not a mandate to reduce the number of residents on one-to-one supervision.

HOUSTON Minister found fatally shot in garage

Authorities are investigating the shooting death of a Houston-area minister who was killed in his garage while preparing for a community yard sale.

An autopsy performed Sunday confirmed that Magnus Scott Hjalmarson died from a gunshot wound to the head.

His body was found Saturday morning in his north Harris County garage.

Neighbors told deputies with the Harris County Sheriff's Office that the 53-year-old Hjalmarson had been preparing for a community yard sale that morning.

Hjalmarson, known as "Minister Mike," worked with a Christian organization known as Care and often coordinated community projects in the area.

AUSTIN Mom fights sex offender label in kidnapping

The case of a Texas woman is raising questions about whether parents convicted of kidnapping their own children in custody disputes should be automatically registered in the state as sex offenders.

Suzanne Kearns was convicted of aggravated kidnapping after taking her son to Mexico. Kearns was freed from prison in 2010 but must register as a sex offender until 2020.

Since 1999, child kidnappers in Texas must register as sex offenders for 10 years after their prison release. But 34 other states exempt parents who take their children in custody disputes.

The Austin American-Statesman reported the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals last month rejected Kearns' appeal to be removed from the registry.

But two judges submitted an opinion questioning the inclusion of child-custody kidnappings in the sex offender registry.

WASHINGTON Rick Perry: Okla. execution 'went terribly wrong'

Gov. Rick Perry says "something went terribly wrong" during the botched

execution of an Oklahoma inmate, but declined to call it inhumane.

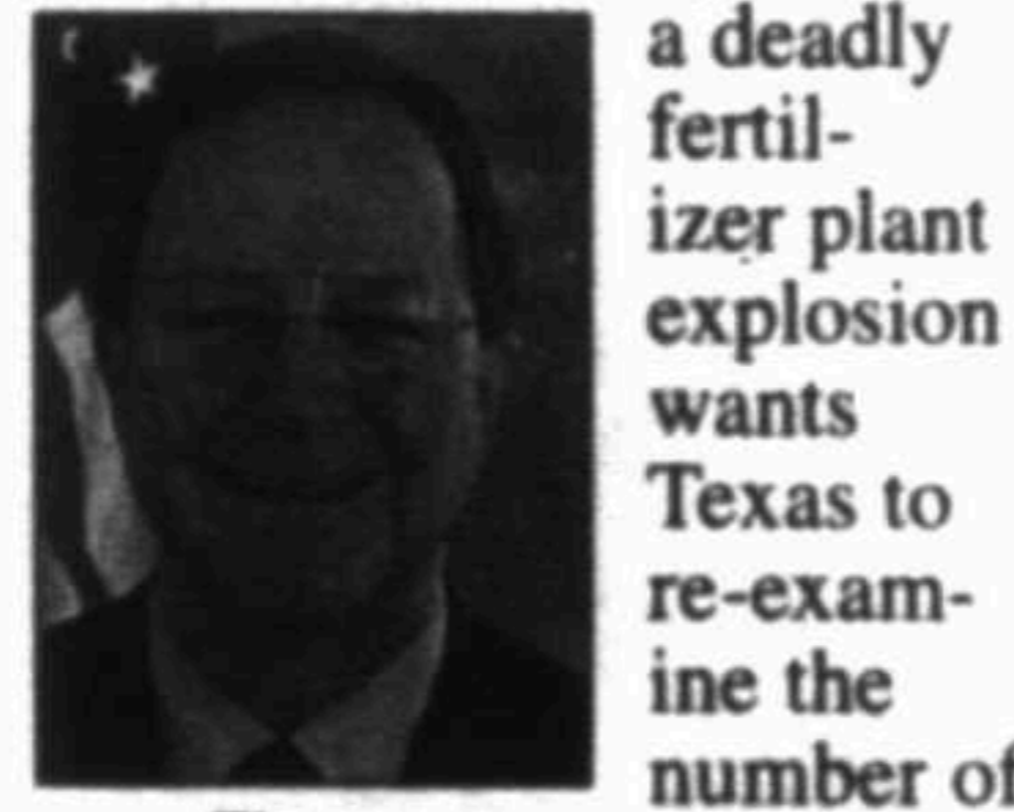
Speaking on "Meet the Press" Sunday, Perry said he thought it was appropriate for Oklahoma Gov. Mary Fallin to delay an upcoming execution as state officials investigate what went wrong in the Tuesday execution of Clayton Lockett, who appeared to writhe in pain until dying of a heart attack.

Perry said he's confident in Texas' ability to carry out executions properly and still supports the death penalty.

He added that each state should decide for itself whether to have executions. The botched execution got worldwide attention and has driven calls for new legal challenges.

BRYAN Congressman wants accounting of West explosion injuries

The congressman who represents the area damaged by a deadly fertilizer plant explosion wants Texas to re-examine the number of injured in the blast.



Flores

Republican U.S. Rep. Bill Flores of Bryan sent a letter Thursday to the Texas Department of State Health Services asking for a "more comprehensive investigation" of the explosion last year in West.

The Dallas Morning News reported that official state tallies of those injured in the blast omit people who sought care from private medical providers and do not track mental health issues.

Flores said West is counting on the state for a more detailed investigation.

A spokesman for the health department said officials will work with Flores.

Fifteen people died in the blast last year, and more than 200 people were injured.

MCALLEN Corruption scandals spur reflection

Corruption scandals that have taken down a South Texas sheriff, his son and several other lawmen has piled another public disgrace onto a region buffeted by them in the past year.

The schemes included money laundering by the then-Hidalgo County sheriff who accepted campaign money from a drug trafficker. It also included a local drug enforcement

unit ripping off drug loads for resale.

The sentencings last week of nine ex-lawmen is the latest in a string of high-profile corruption cases that has left officials in the Rio Grande Valley the challenge of winning back the public's confidence.

Interim Sheriff Eddie Guerra said he has been returning calls from citizens still boiling with frustration with the misdeeds that occurred under his predecessor.

AUSTIN Mathewson tea service sold at auction

A sterling silver tea and coffee set that belonged to Hall of Fame pitcher Christy Mathewson drew a winning bid of \$15,000 at auction in Austin.

Spokeswoman Amy McMurrugh said the bid came from an unidentified phone bidder during the auction Saturday by the Austin Auction Gallery.

Auction officials said the tea set was presented to Mathewson in 1917 and is one of the few surviving baseball memorabilia in the family. Much of the family's collection was destroyed in a 1950 house explosion and fire that killed the son of the New York Giants pitching great in San Antonio.

Meanwhile, McMurrugh said a Saudi Arabian sword once presented to former Texas football coach Darrell Royal did not sell at auction Saturday and will be available for individual sale.

SAN ANTONIO Candidate's old arrest muddies school race

A San Antonio school district is deliberating how to respond if voters elect a school board candidate with a criminal history that would ban him from district property.

The San Antonio Express-News reported Bob Coster, a candidate for the North East Independent School District school board, pleaded no contest more than a decade ago to a charge of indecent exposure.

As a result, Coster is banned from teaching or volunteering at North East schools.

Coster called his arrest "shameful" and said he is willing, if elected May 10, to work with the district on any measures to reassure the community.

The district's attorney, Rick Lopez, said he has informed Coster of the district's dilemma but said officials have not decided how to proceed.

Death Notices

Addison Jeanel Anderson

Addison Jeanel Anderson, infant of Andrews, passed away on Friday, May 2, 2014 in Odessa. Addison was born to Derrick and Carol Ann Anderson on Friday, May 2, 2014.

Survivors are her parents: Derrick Anderson and Carol Ann Anderson; and brother, Jonathon Anderson.

Services will be held at a later date.

David Paul Luna

David Paul Luna, 26, of Odessa, passed away on May 2, 2014 in Odessa, TX. He was born September 8, 1987 to Sandy Luna in Dallas, TX.

Survivors include wife, Jessica Bueno-Luna; daughter, Mariela Jaslene Luna; mother, Sandy Luna; brother, Jessy Valasquez; sisters, Nikki Luna and Amanda Llamas.

Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. at Life Church 2900 Kermit HWY. Rosary will be recited at Acres West Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Interment will be held at Rosehill cemetery.

Elauterio Fierro Ramos

Elauterio Fierro Ramos, 73, of Odessa passed away on Saturday, May 3, 2014 in Odessa. Elauterio was born to Margarito Ramos and Juliana Fierro in Ojinaga, Mexico on February 20, 1941.

Survivors are his wife, Guadalupe Lopez Ramos; sons, Jaime and Armando Ramos; daughters, Silvia Benavides, Irma Rodriguez, and Alina Sanchez; brothers, Roman, Aurelio, Gregorio, Juan, and Ramon Ramos; sisters, Martina Montanez and Victoria Lujan.

Funeral Services will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. A Rosary will be prayed on Monday, May 5, 2014 at Acres West Funeral Chapel, in Odessa. Interment will be at Peaceful Gardens Cemetery.

Leopoldo "Leo" Salazar

Leopoldo "Leo" Salazar, 77, of Big Spring, died Friday May 2, 2014 at Midland Memorial Hospital. Vigil services will be at 7:00PM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 11:00 AM Tuesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born November 15, 1936 in Raymondville, Texas to Juanita and Roberto Salazar.

He is survived by his wife, Alicia M. Salazar; one son, Jesse Salazar; two daughters, Sylvia Salazar and Elaine S. Martinez; four sisters, Rosa Angeles, Frances Garcia, Esperanza Munoz and Gloria Gomez; and one brother, Gilbert Salazar.

Thelma E. Roberts

Thelma E. Roberts, 88, of Big Spring, died Saturday May 3, 2014 at Parkview Nursing Center. Graveside services will be 10:00 AM Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

She was born to Tessie and Solon Barnett in Colorado City on January 22, 1926.

She is survived by three nieces, Henrietta Cates, Suzanne Wilkins and Willie Mae Greenfield; one nephew, Jerry Robertson; all of "Mo's" family and especially Scott McKenzie.

Man dies after jump from top of party boat

Associated Press

CONROE — Authorities in Southeast Texas say a 26-year-old man has died after he tried to jump off the top deck of a party boat.

Montgomery County constables said Ross Lehmburg of San Antonio was found dead just after midnight Saturday in Lake Conroe.

Montgomery County constables said witnesses saw the man try to jump from the party boat "Just for Fun," hit the bottom deck and fall into the water. Several people on the boat went into the water but were unable to save him.

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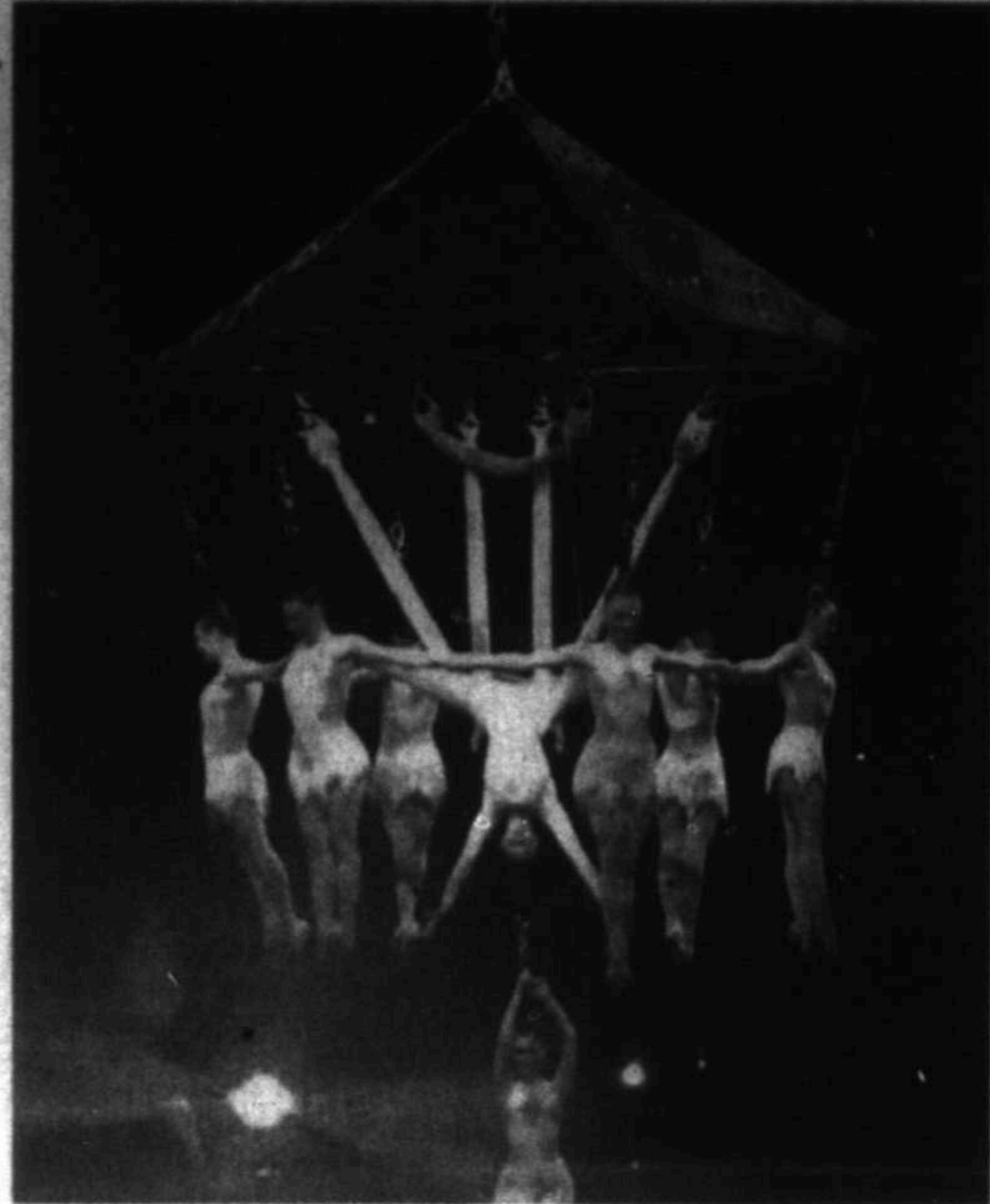
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Performers hang during an aerial hair-hanging stunt at the Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus on Friday in Providence, Rhode Island. A platform collapsed during an aerial hair-hanging stunt at the 11 a.m. performance Sunday, sending eight acrobats plummeting to the ground. At least nine performers were seriously injured in the fall, including a dancer below, while an unknown number of others suffered minor injuries.

Acrobats fall during Ringling Bros. circus stunt

By Michelle R. Smith
Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — A platform collapsed during an aerial hair-hanging stunt at a circus performance Sunday, sending eight acrobats plummeting to the ground. Nine performers were seriously injured in the fall, including a dancer below, while an unknown number of others suffered less serious injuries.

The accident was reported about 45 minutes into the Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus' 11 a.m. Legends show at the Dunkin' Donuts Center in Providence.

Stephen Payne, a spokesman for Feld Entertainment, the parent company of Ringling Bros., said the accident happened during an act in which eight performers hang "like a human chandelier" using their hair.

He said the metal-frame apparatus from which the performers were hanging came free from the metal truss it was connected to. The eight women fell 25 to 40 feet, landing on a dancer on the ground.

All the performers have been doing "some variation of this act for some time," Payne said, though he didn't know how long. The current incarnation of the act began in January with the launch of the show, he said.

Providence Public Safety Commissioner Steven Pare said officials and inspectors haven't yet determined what caused the accident. He said none of the injuries appear to be life-threatening.

Roman Garcia, general manager of the Legends show, asked people to pray for the performers.

"Everybody's doing fine, everybody's at the hospital, everybody's conscious, everybody's doing pretty well," he said at the Dunkin' Donuts Center less than two hours after the accident.

Rhode Island Hospital in Providence admitted 11 patients with varying injuries, including one in critical condition, spokeswoman Jill Reuter said.

The hair-hanging stunt is described on the circus' website as a "larger-than-life act" featuring eight female performers.

"These 'hairialists' perform a combination of choreography and cut-ups including spinning, hanging from hoops, and rolling down wrapped silks, all while being suspended 35 feet in the air by their hair alone," the website said.

"In this hair-raising act, audiences will even see the weight of three girls held aloft by the locks of only one of these tangled beauties."

Video taken by audience members showed a curtain coming down, and several performers hanging around 25 feet in the air from an apparatus suspended from above. Seconds later, as they began to perform, the women fell and the metal apparatus landed on them.

"It just went crashing down," said audience member Sydney Bragg, 14, of North Kingstown. "Everyone was freaking out. We heard this huge clatter, and then we just heard the girls scream."

She said spotlights were on the performers at the time, but all the lights went out after the fall.

Rosa Viveiros of Seekonk, Massachusetts, said she saw that the acrobats had fallen on top of at least one other performer on the ground, a man who stood up with his face bloodied. The acrobats remained still and did not get up, she said.

"We thought it was part of the circus," said her husband, Joe.

The couple attended the circus with their 6-year-old grandson and 9-year-old niece.

"Everyone was in shock," Rosa Viveiros said. "It was pretty overwhelming to see that."

The circus began performances in Providence on Friday. The Dunkin' Donuts Center canceled two shows scheduled for later Sunday.

A Ringling Bros. aerial performer was killed in 2004 in St. Paul, Minnesota, when she was twirling 30 feet in the air on long chiffon scarves and the material gave way.

Powerade drops controversial ingredient

By Candice Choi
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Coca-Cola is dropping a controversial ingredient from its Powerade sports drink, after a similar move by PepsiCo's Gatorade last year.

The ingredient, brominated vegetable oil, had been the target of a petition by a Mississippi teenager, who questioned why it was being used in a drink marketed toward health-conscious athletes. The petition on Change.org noted that the ingredient is linked to a flame retardant and is not approved for use in Japan or the European Union.

In response to customer feedback, PepsiCo said last year it would drop the ingredient from Gatorade. At the time, Coca-Cola declined to say whether it would remove the ingredient from the two flavors of Powerade that contain it, as well.

But this week, bottles of Powerade in fruit punch and strawberry lemonade flavors being sold in the Detroit; Omaha, Nebraska, New York and Washington, D.C. areas no longer list the ingredient. Some bottles still list it, however, suggesting Coca-Cola Co. may have started phasing it out recently.

A representative for the Atlanta-based company confirmed Sunday that its Powerade brands are "BVO-free." But no details were immediately available on when the change would be complete or how the drinks were reformulated.

Powerade's website still lists brominated vegetable



AP file photo

Bottles of Powerade sports drink and other Coca-Cola products are chilled over ice in Orlando, Fla. A controversial ingredient, brominated vegetable oil, is being removed from some Powerade sports drinks.

oil as an ingredient in its fruit punch and strawberry lemonade flavors.

The Food and Drug Administration said brominated vegetable oil is used as a stabilizer for flavoring oils in fruit-flavored drinks. Coca-Cola has said in the past that it uses it to "improve stability and prevent certain ingredients

from separating."

The decision by Coca-Cola to remove brominated vegetable oil from Powerade is just the latest evidence that food makers are coming under pressure for the ingredients they use.

While companies stand by the safety of their products, some are making changes in response to the move-

ment toward foods that people believe are natural.

Earlier this year, for instance, Subway said it would remove an ingredient dubbed the "yoga mat chemical" from its breads. The ingredient, azodicarbonyl, is approved for use by the FDA and can be found in a wide variety of breads. The petitioner, Vani Hari of FoodBabe.com, said she targeted Subway because of its image for serving healthy food.

Likewise, brominated vegetable oil can also be found in several other drinks.

But the Mississippi teenager, Sarah Kavanagh, said she targeted Gatorade and Powerade in petitions because they're designed for athletes, who are likely more concerned about what they're putting into their bodies. Her Powerade petition had more than 59,000 online supporters while the Gatorade one had more than 200,000.

"Consumers are coming together quickly and efficiently to influence the world's biggest beverage companies in an unprecedented manner," said Pulin Modi, senior campaign manager for Change.org.

As Americans cut back on soda, sports drinks have become more important for Coca-Cola and PepsiCo Inc., which is based in Purchase, New York.

Although Coca-Cola has long dominated rival PepsiCo on the soda front, it lags the company in the growing sports drink category. According to the industry tracker Beverage Digest, Gatorade has 64 percent of the sports drink market.

California city looks to sea for water in drought

Associated Press

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — This seaside city thought it had the perfect solution the last time California withered in a severe drought more than two decades ago: Tap the ocean to turn salty seawater to fresh water.

The \$34 million desalination plant was fired up for only three months and mothballed after a miracle soaking of rain.

As the state again grapples with historic dryness, the city nicknamed the "American Riviera" has its eye on restarting the idled facility to hedge against current and future droughts.

"We were so close to running out of water during the last drought. It was frightening," said Joshua Haggmark, interim water resources manager. "Desalination wasn't a crazy idea back then."

Removing salt from ocean water is not a far-out idea, but it's no quick drought-relief option. It takes years of planning and overcoming red tape to launch a project.

Santa Barbara is uniquely positioned with a desalination plant in storage. But getting it humming again won't be as simple as flipping a switch.

After the plant was powered down in 1992, the city sold off parts to a Saudi Arabia company. The guts

remain as a time capsule — a white elephant of sorts — walled off behind a gate near the Funk Zone, a corridor of art galleries, wineries and eateries tucked between the Pacific and U.S. 101.

The city estimated that it will need \$20 million in technological upgrades, a cost likely to be borne by ratepayers. Any restart would require city council approval, which won't vote until next spring after reviewing engineering plans and drought conditions.

Santa Barbara, population 89,000, has enough water for this year and even next year by buying supplemental supplies and as long as residents continue to conserve.

While it may seem like a head-scratcher to put the plant in hibernation soon after it was built, officials said the decision saved the city millions of dollars in unnecessary operating

costs.

"With the current drought likely to continue, they now appear as if they will be able to cash in on their insurance policy," said Tom Pankratz, editor of Water Desalination Report and consultant on several other desalination projects in California.

The cyclical nature of droughts has made it difficult, if not impossible, to bet on desalination. It requires prime coastal real estate and the foresight to diversify the water supply in flush and dry times. Communities that choose desalination may be more resilient to inevitable droughts in the future.

Santa Barbara relies on water piped through tunnels from the Santa Ynez Mountains. But with Lake Cachuma, the main reservoir, dangerously low, the city expects desalination to play a role.

"We live in a desert. We can expect droughts. It's just inevitable that desalination is going to become a part of our regular water portfolio," Haggmark said.

Santa Barbara is not alone in mulling desalination as parched conditions persist for a third straight year, forcing some rural places to ration water and farmers to fallow fields.

Earlier this year, the agency that delivers water to the central coast town of Cambria voted to approve an emergency desalination plant with the hopes of getting it running by July before water supplies dry up.

Instead of drawing ocean water, the proposed \$5 million plant would pull brackish water from a well, treat it and reinject it into the aquifer. Since that would require a lengthy study, the plant likely won't be able to go online until fall.

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Survey: US gas prices jump 3 cents per gallon

Associated Press

CAMARILLO, Calif. — The average price of a gallon of regular gasoline in the U.S. rose 3 cents, to \$3.72, during the past two weeks, marking the 12th straight week of price hikes at the pump.

That's according to a survey released Sunday.

Industry analyst Trilby Lundberg said gas prices are about to tumble, however, as crude oil and wholesale gasoline prices have started falling

because of higher-than-expected crude output in Libya and ample U.S. crude oil stocks and ramped up production of gasoline.

Midgrade gasoline costs an average of \$3.13 a gallon, and premium was \$4.05 a gallon. Diesel was \$4 a gallon.

Of the cities surveyed in the Lower 48 states, the lowest price, \$3.34 a gallon, was in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The highest was \$4.27 in Los Angeles.

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Menu Madness

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Today is Cinco de Mayo

Cinco de Mayo is annually observed on May 5, the anniversary of a victory in 1862 in the fight for independence from French forces. It is a festival of Mexican pride and heritage in the United States. Cinco de Mayo officially commemorates the anniversary of an early victory by Mexican forces over French forces in the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862. It is not the anniversary of the defeat and expulsion of the French forces by the Mexicans, which occurred in 1867.

Source: www.timeanddate.com

Meeting today

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

City Council special election

Early voting for the at-large City Council election continues Monday and Tuesday at the Midland County Elections Office at 2110 N. "A" St. Voting takes place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Things to do

■ Storytime for birth through 2 years old, 9:30 a.m., 2 to 6 years old at 10:30 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us.
■ Kyle Petty Charity Ride at Homewood Suites Hotel. kylepettycharityride.com.

Support groups, club meetings today

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

Ammonium Nitrate safety meeting

Midland County and the State Fire Marshal's Office (SFMO) are hosting an ammonium nitrate (AN) best practices meeting at 6 p.m. today at Pioneer Natural Resources, 4815 E. Highway 80.

What's on the radio

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

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

Sport talk
KMND (AM 1510)
6-9 a.m. Mike and Mike in the Morning
9 a.m.-noon The Hard with Colin Cowherd
Noon-3 p.m. The Dan Patrick Show

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

How to submit

■ Births: Have information and a picture about a newborn son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter you want in the paper? Call Managing Editor Mary Dearen at 687-8652.
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Today in history

*Today is Monday, May 5, the 125th day of 2014. There are 240 days left in the year.
Today's highlight
On May 5, 1862, Mexican troops defeated French occupying forces in the Battle of Puebla. (The Cinco de Mayo holiday commemorates Mexico's victory.)

Sam Adam Amaya, 34, possession of a controlled substance — cocaine, three years in the TDCJ, 180 days driver's license suspension.
Guillermo Borunda Jr., 19, tampering with physical evidence, 10 years in the TDCJ, suspended three years under community supervision and restitution; possession of cocaine over 4 grams but less than 200 grams, 10 years in the TDCJ, suspended for three years under community supervision, fine of \$1,000, restitution and Treatment Alternative Incarceration Program (TAIP).
Coleen Denise Brewer, 21, engaging in organized criminal activity, two years deferred probation, and pay restitution.
Alfredo Elizandro Calles, 23, possession of a controlled substance — cocaine, 90 days in jail.
Jessica Anne Caro, 23, criminal trespass as a lesser included of burglary of a habitation, 90 days jail suspended for two years under community supervision, attend and successfully complete anger management class.
Samuel Castellon, 22, burglary of a habitation by entering with intent to commit theft, 10 years deferred probation, and participation in a sex offender program; burglary of a habitation by entering with intent to commit theft, 10 years deferred probation, participation in a sex offender program and pay restitution; burglary of a habitation by entering with intent to commit theft, 10 years deferred probation, and participation in a sex offender program.
Jordan M. Childress, 22, tampering with physical evidence, six years deferred probation, \$2,500 fine, 30 days jail, and TAIP.
Demetra Ann Cobb, 51, theft by repetition, three years under community supervision and a fine of \$1,000.
Michael Shane Coleman, 27, theft from a person, two

years in state jail, suspended for five years under community supervision, \$500 fine.
Randell Charles-Phil Collins, 27, possession of a controlled substance without intent to deliver, eight months in state jail.
James Robert Cooper, 32, driving while intoxicated with a child passenger, two years in State Jail, suspended for three years under community supervision, fine of \$1,000, 30 days jail and Treatment Alternative Incarceration Program (TAIP).
Justin DeLaGarza, 29, possession of a controlled substance — methamphetamine, three years in the TDCJ; possession of a controlled substance — methamphetamine, nine months in state jail.
Daniel Denn Demel, 21, assault on a public servant, two years under community supervision and a fine of \$2,500.
Tronted Clark Ellis, 60, driving while intoxicated 3rd or more, three years in the TDCJ, 365 days driver's license suspension.
Lola Jones Fletcher, 63, forgery by passing, two years in state jail, suspended for five years under community supervision, \$500 fine, \$230 restitution; theft by repetition, two years in state jail, suspended for five years under community supervision.
Jessica Marie Garcia, 34, possession of a controlled substance as a lesser included offense of prohibited substance in a correctional facility, eight years in the TDCJ.
Carrie Ann Garza, 33, possession of a controlled substance — cocaine, 180 days in state jail.
John Michael Garza, 20, evading in a motor vehicle, four years in the TDCJ.
Christopher Lee Glenn, 23, theft by repetition, 15 months in State Jail; prohibited item in a correctional facility, two years in the TDCJ.
Tony Cash Glenn, 48, retaliation, two years under

community supervision, \$1,500 fine.
Allihsy Gonzales, 19, possession of a controlled substance without intent to deliver, two years deferred probation; possession of a controlled substance without intent to deliver, 10 years deferred probation and \$5,000 fine.
Chalae Hagan-Carter, 23, aggravated assault causing bodily injury with a deadly weapon, 10 years deferred probation, \$2,000 fine, 30 days jail and TAIP.
Perry Lazlo Harsman, 51, burglary of a building, 15 months in state jail; possession of a controlled substance — methamphetamine, 15 months in state jail, driver's license suspension for 180 days; theft of property over \$1,500 but less than \$20,000, 15 months in state jail.
Nicholas Coy Hernandez, 33, evading in a motor vehicle, six years deferred, \$1,000 fine and court cost.
Raymond Lamont Jefferson, 35, robbery as a repeat offender, eight years in the TDCJ.
Brittney Ann Keith, 23, possession of a controlled substance, three years deferred and court cost.
Kaleena Shay Khieu, 19, possession of a controlled substance, two years deferred, \$1,000 fine, court cost, and driver's license suspended for 180 days.
Devean Javanon McMarylon, 26, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, six years in the TDCJ; assault family violence with previous conviction, six years in the TDCJ.
Rodney Wayne Mackey Jr., 19, tampering with physical evidence, two years under community supervision and a fine of \$500.
Isaac Vicente Martinez, 21, tampering with physical evidence, four years of community service and fine.
Jerry Friday Murphy, 35,

assault family violence by choking, three years deferred, \$1,000 fine, court cost and Project Adam.
Apolinar Luna Navarraz, 21, felony driving while intoxicated with a child passenger, two years in State Jail, suspended for three years under community supervision, \$1,000 fine, 365 days driver's license suspension, 30 days in jail and TAIP.
Michael Jesse Ortega, 22, failure to stop and render aid, three years under community supervision, \$1,500 fine.
Sarah Hernandez Pena, 30, credit card abuse, 180 days in State Jail; evading in a motor vehicle, two years in state jail.
Latoya Rochelle Posey, 35, taking a controlled substance into a correctional facility, five years in the TDCJ; failure to appear for felony charge, five years in the TDCJ.
Coby Lee Provancho, 28, retaliation, five years in the TDCJ and driver license suspension for 180 days.
Jose Juan Reyes Jr., 26, possession of a controlled substance — cocaine, one year in state jail.
Manuel Robles III, 38, criminal mischief, one year in state jail and restitution.
Jose Rodriguez, 21, evading in a motor vehicle, eight years deferred \$1,500 fine and court cost; failure to appear, eight years deferred \$1,500 fine and court cost.
Eddie Noyola Rodriguez, 18, tampering with government records, five years deferred, \$1,000 fine and court cost.
Robert Ray Rodriguez, 26, possession of a controlled substance under one gram as a lesser included offense of possession of a controlled substance one gram or more but than four gram, five years deferred, \$1,000 fine, court cost and driver's license suspended for 180 days.
Ruben Anthony Rodriguez, 37, unlawful possession

of a firearm by a felon, 10 years in the TDCJ, suspended for 10 years under community supervision and a fine of \$2,500.
Whitley Dajanea Smith, 24, theft of property by repetition, three years under community supervision and a fine of \$1,000; theft by repetition, two years in state jail, suspended for three years under community supervision and a fine of \$1,000.
Christopher Daniel Vasquez, 25, delivery of a controlled substance, five years in the TDCJ and driver's license suspension for 180 days.
Pilar Villarreal, 19, prohibited substance in a correctional facility, five years under community supervision, fine of \$1,200 and Treatment Alternative Incarceration Program (TAIP).
John Amron Washington, 35, evading arrest and detention, five years deferred, \$1,000 fine, court cost and 200 hours community service.
Jerald Wayne Williams, 38, possession of a controlled substance — cocaine, four years in the TDCJ.
Deborah Kay Winfrey, 42, assault on a public servant, 10 years in the TDCJ, suspended for four years under community supervision, \$2,000 fine, and enroll and successfully complete anger management course.
Christy Lachelle Yarbrough, 40, possession of a controlled substance — cocaine, two years in state jail, suspended five years under community supervision, fine of \$500, 30 days in jail and Treatment Alternative Incarceration Program (TAIP); failure to appear for felony charge, 10 years in the TDCJ, suspended for five years under community supervision and Treatment Alternative Incarceration Program (TAIP).

Source: Midland County District Attorney's Office

US teachers nowhere as diverse as their students

By Jesse J. Holland
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — U.S. teachers are nowhere near as diverse as their students.
Almost half the students attending public schools are minorities, yet fewer than 1 in 5 of their teachers is nonwhite.
New studies from the Center for American Progress and the National Education Association are calling attention to this "diversity gap" at elementary and secondary schools in the United States. The groups want more to be done to help teachers more accurately mirror the students in their classrooms.
Teachers are always pushing their students to excel, said Kevin Gilbert, coordinator of teacher leadership and special projects for the Clinton Public School District in Clinton,

Mississippi.
It becomes easier for students to believe "when they can look and see someone who looks just like them, that they can relate to," said Gilbert, a member of the NEA's executive committee. "Nothing can help motivate our students more than to see success standing right in front of them."
More than minority students would benefit from a more diverse teacher corps, said Ulrich Boser, the author of the center's report.
"Even in a place like North Dakota, where the students aren't particularly diverse relative to the rest of the country, it's important for our social fabric, for our sense as a nation, that students are engaging with people who think, talk and act differently than them but can also be just as effective at raising student achievement in the classroom," he said.



Lyle Alderson, left, a former teacher, with his wife Jan Alderson, a high school science teacher, both of Overland Park, Kansas, and Kevin Gilbert, 42, of Ridgeland, Miss., right, a member-at-large on the National Education Association (NEA) executive committee and a former social studies teacher and coach, are interviewed in Washington on Thursday.

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For instance, BP is adding new wells to tap still-unrecovered resources around its Thunder Horse and Atlantis platforms.
And Shell is working to link its 100-million-barrel Cardamom field to its Auger facility, 20 years after that platform first debuted in the Gulf. Shell expects Cardamom production to add 50,000 barrels of oil equivalent in daily production.
"It's a story of opening up new frontiers," said John Hollowell, an executive vice president at Shell Oil Co.—the Houston-based U.S. arm of Royal Dutch Shell.
"The combination of continued advancements in technology and innovation, combined with attractive new frontiers to open up new opportunities for oil and gas development make the Gulf of Mexico a place of attractive investment now and well into the future."
The industry is exploiting advances in seismic equipment and supercomputing power that make it possible to see through salt deposits to once-invisible layers beneath and generate detailed maps of the geology.
Many deep-water Gulf wells have plumbed the Miocene play, a relatively porous layer of the earth's crust formed up to 24 million years ago. Recent Miocene projects have focused on oil-bearing rock below a canopy of underground salt.
But oil companies also are investing more in the Lower Tertiary, deposited during the older Paleogene period of the earth's geological history and located even farther underground.
Also beckoning is the Jurassic Naphtel forma-

tion — 200 million-year old sediment where Shell is appraising recent discoveries, and where Murphy Oil is drilling its Titan wildcat well in hopes of unlocking a potential 200-million-barrel resource.
The Jurassic trend is still an oil industry frontier, compared even to Lower Tertiary.
Wells have been drilled through thick ribbons of salt into Lower Tertiary rocks for about a decade, but only two projects are actively producing oil from it — Shell's Perdido complex and Petrobras' Cascade. Another, Chevron's Jack/St. Malo platform, is set to come online later this year.
Other Lower Tertiary discoveries include BP America's Kaskida, Cobalt International Energy's North Platte, and Anadarko Petroleum Corp.'s Shenandoah prospect — which these companies operate with other partners.
The Lower Tertiary wells are technically challenging, marked by high pressures and extreme reservoir depths. Just to get to the pay zone, companies must drop drill bits through as much as two miles of water, then drill through perhaps three miles of salt and another two miles of rock.
And once there, the companies have to wrestle crude out of dense rock that resists giving up the prize locked within.
The first wave of these wells, drilled into what geologists call the Outboard Lower Tertiary trend, had a success rate as high as 70 percent. But oil explorers have had far less luck tapping the Inboard Lower Tertiary and the Jurassic, with several recent finds too insignificant to produce.

"We've had some successes, but we've also had some very expensive dry holes," said Snedden, the UT geologist.
Cobalt has experienced both in the space of a year, celebrating its North Platte discovery in December 2012 before determining eight months later that its Ardenne well just 54 miles away was a failure.
"The Lower Tertiary appears to be not quite as robust and as productive as they had hoped," said Leta Smith, director of oil and gas supply for the consulting firm IHS. "But companies are still moving ahead with it."
They do that because when deep-water wells do work out, the payoff can be high—volume, long-lasting production equivalent to scores of onshore wells.
For instance, production data for two wells in the Eagle Ford Shale of South Texas show they yielded an average of 360 and 283 barrels per day during their first eight months. By contrast, the first well in Petrobras' Lower Tertiary Cascade project is producing 12,000 barrels of oil daily.
Onshore shale production requires pulling oil out of impermeable rocks with hydraulic fracturing, using sand, water and other fluids under pressure to create fissures underground. Gulf wells, so far, generally have tapped into more porous sediment and large pools formed from biological deposits tens of millions of years ago.
Such projects can keep delivering oil long after the wells are bored.
Unconventional, dense onshore shale, by contrast, often requires continual drilling and fracturing to keep the crude flowing.
That cycle may be

unsustainable, especially if oil prices decline, said Rebecca Fitz, senior director of upstream strategy and completion for IHS Energy.
"You have to drill to produce," Fitz said. "Some companies have told me the only way you make money is if you stop drilling, but then production decreases."
Given the sharp differences between offshore development and the recent boom in unconventional oil production onshore, it is difficult to compare their value.
Oil companies know that successful deep-water projects generate scale and large returns.
"Deepwater is proven," Fitz said. "But U.S. unconventional are a completely different business model and the industry as a whole is really trying to grapple with how do you compare the investment proposition and the time to payoff."
Where onshore shale wells may cost \$3 million to \$5 million, Snedden estimates that the average Lower Tertiary well costs around \$150 million. Wood Mackenzie's Sandeen puts the number higher; he said the Lower Tertiary wells are expected to cost \$300 million to drill and complete.
Wells tapping the Miocene trend — the recent deep-water mainstay — average a more affordable \$80 million.
"The Lower Tertiary is a play for deep pockets, as well as a play that requires a long time horizon," Sandeen said.
The first phase of Chevron's Jack/St. Malo platform, for example, has a \$7.5 billion price tag — but a production capacity of 177,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day.
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Graham, Nunn names back on ballot in Florida, Georgia

By Michael J. Mishak and Bill Barrow
Associated Press

SOPCHOPPY, Fla. — It's not easy being a Democrat at the Worm Gruntin' Festival.

The event, named for a popular method of coaxing worms above ground, takes place in Florida's conservative Panhandle amid gator kabobs, fishhook earrings and a tent with venomous snakes.

But on a campaign stop, U.S. House candidate Gwen Graham had something going for her: her last name. Voter after voter recounted fond memories of her father, Bob, who towered over Florida politics for more than a quarter-century as governor and U.S. senator.

Nearby, in south Georgia, Democratic U.S. Senate hopeful Michelle Nunn finds the same experience among voters who still revere her father, Sam, almost 18 years after he retired after a lengthy career in the Senate.

Graham and Nunn are going beyond the typical advantages of name ID and fundraising connections. They explicitly hold up their fathers as examples of what kind of elected officials they would be: old-style moderate Southerners, the kind rendered largely extinct on Capitol Hill.

"I often hear from people that they miss the days in which they felt like they had someone who was a statesman and reached across the aisle," Michelle Nunn told The Associated Press at a campaign stop in Shellman, Georgia. "I'm both lucky to have that connection and to have my own experiences that demonstrate my capacity to lead in that way."

Graham, who is following her father's campaign tradition of spending days working alongside constituents, said, "I want to put aside the bickering. It should be public service, not politics."

The approach offers Democrats a ray of hope in a midterm congressional election that could continue the party's slide in the South, where President Barack Obama and national figures such as U.S. House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi of California are broadly unpopular.

Republicans aim to unseat Democratic senators in Arkansas, Louisiana and North Carolina on their way to reclaiming a Senate majority. Voter defections and racial polarization are already pronounced in the U.S. House, where U.S. Rep. John Barrow of Georgia is the sole white Democrat from the Deep South states that stretch from South Carolina to Louisiana.

Graham, 51, wants to oust U.S. Rep. Steve Southerland, who won Florida's 2nd District in Republicans' 2010 midterm House sweep. Nunn, 47, is trying to succeed retiring U.S. Sen. Saxby Chambliss, R-Ga.

A Nunn victory would make it difficult for Republicans to gain the six seats they need for a U.S. Senate majority.

Many Republicans acknowledge that Graham and Nunn are strong first-time candidates, given Democrats' struggles in the South.

"Michelle Nunn sounds like one of the best Republicans in the race," quipped Georgia GOP strategist Todd Rehm, as his party awaits a May 20 primary and subsequent runoff.

But GOP loyalists predict Nunn and Graham will struggle to win over a midterm electorate expected to be older, whiter and more conservative than in presidential years. "Family roots may be important," said Southerland spokesman Matt McCullough, but voters want Graham "to start showing a little leadership in her own right."

Nunn and Graham call themselves independent voices, promise to tackle national debt and say Obama's health care overhaul needs improvement. Graham goes further, saying Obama should have pursued incremental changes instead of a sweeping law.

Graham was the chief labor negotiator for the Leon

County School District. Nunn spent 25 years running not-for-profit volunteer organizations, culminating as CEO of former President George H.W. Bush's Points of Light Foundation.

Nunn mentioned Bush, a Republican, in one television spot; her father appears in another. "My dad has been reminding me throughout the campaign that he never passed any legislation that didn't have bipartisan support," she told AP.

For Graham, the lessons come from spending work days with voters, something her father once did. She's worked the cash register in a food truck, hung drywall at a construction site, chased chickens and trimmed goat hoofs on a boutique farm. In one town, she wore a bulletproof vest for a day-in-the-life of a police officer.

"To be able to spend real time with people ... gives you a connection that I think sadly is missing in Washington today," Graham said, noting that the work days made her father "a better leader."



AP file photo

U.S. House candidate Gwen Graham listens to Carlos De La Cruz, police chief and public safety director, as he explains the workings of his department on April 10 in Gretna, Florida. On campaign stops Graham had something going for her: her last name. Voter after voter recounted fond memories of her father, Bob, who towered over Florida politics for more than a quarter-century as governor and U.S. senator.

Bob Graham championed traditional liberal causes such as public education and environmental protection but cracked down on drug crimes and revived capital punishment, earning nicknames like "Bloody Bob" and "Governor Death." In his last Senate race in 1998, he carried 63 of Florida's 67 counties. Likewise, Sam Nunn

never fit into an ideological box. He defended U.S. military strength, to Georgia's economic benefit. But he voted against the 1991 Gulf War and has focused since leaving office on reducing nuclear arms worldwide. He generally was liberal on race and immigration, but supported school prayer and the death penalty, and opposed allowing gay sol-

diers to serve openly.

Due in part to his relationships, former U.S. Sens. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., and John Warner, R-Va., have contributed to Michelle Nunn's campaign.

The electoral dynamics in both campaigns explain Democrats' strategy in emphasizing that centrism.

The Florida Panhandle is Republican territory, but the 2nd Congressional District, which includes heavily Democratic Leon County, gave Obama 46.5 percent and 47.1 percent in his two presidential victories. Southerland won by a comfortable-but-competitive 5 percentage points in 2012.

In Georgia, Republicans hold every statewide executive office, and Democrats haven't won a U.S. Senate race since 1996, when Max Cleland captured Sam Nunn's seat, only to lose to Chambliss in 2002. Yet Chambliss needed a general election runoff to win in 2008, and Obama notched 47 percent and 45.5 percent statewide.

While hoping to maximize support from black

voters and urban whites, Graham and Nunn look to convert just enough white voters outside the cities, closing the gap with old "Reagan Democrats" who could just as easily be called "Bob Graham Republicans" or "Sam Nunn Republicans."

Gary Harrell, a surveying engineer near Albany, Ga., fits the bill.

Harrell said he hasn't voted for Democrats at the federal level since Sam Nunn and Bill Clinton. Now he's backing Nunn's daughter. "I'm just really struggling with this administration," he said of Obama, "but not necessarily all Democrats — and I was a huge fan of her father."

Yet it's just as easy to find skeptics.

Bobby Porter, a lifelong registered Democrat who attended the worm festival in Florida, said he won't support Gwen Graham. "I don't think I've voted for a Democrat in 40 years," he said. "I'm satisfied with Mr. Southerland. I feel like he stands firm in how he votes."

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Vaccine denialism on wrong end of argument

■ On medical issues, America needs more trust in knowledgeable authority

Recently I wrote about a type of scientific denialism — often practiced by religious people — that cheats children out of the wonders of modern cosmology and encourages unnecessary religious doubt. But there is another sort of scientific skepticism — often displayed by affluent and educated parents — that withholds routine childhood vaccinations and encourages unnecessary disease.

These should be kept in proportion. The belief that human beings walked with dinosaurs is wrong. The belief that vaccinations cause autism or brain damage is wrong and dangerous.

In the latter case (as in the former) the scientific argument is not merely lopsided but single-sided. Like any medicine, vaccines have a very small risk of serious side effects, which doctors are trained to identify. But the association of measles vaccination with autism is entirely discredited. Childhood vaccinations do not involve dangerous levels of toxins and do not compromise the immune system. And vaccinations prevent a range of diseases — chickenpox, diphtheria, measles, mumps, pertussis, polio, rotavirus, rubella, tetanus — that used to routinely hospital-

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ize, disable or kill children.

In most health matters, defying medical authority mainly has individual consequences. Those who believe that cancer can be treated with coffee enemas are only killing themselves. But communicable diseases are different. Some people can't be immunized for medical reasons, or their protective response to a vaccine is weak. They depend on the immunity of others to avoid infection. Immunization rates north of 90 percent are usually required to protect the whole herd.

This means that if even a small portion of the herd refuses vaccination, the risks rise for everyone. Epidemiology grants marginal groups the power to do great harm. America generally has rates of immunization in the high 80s or low 90s. In some places, however, the rate dips lower, making it easier for an infected traveler (for example) to cause an outbreak. Recent examples can be found in Orange County, Calif., and New York City. The problem is

even worse in Britain (where the immunization rate for measles is only about 80 percent) and in other parts of Europe.

Those who resist vaccination are a varied group. The parents of autistic children seek and deserve an explanation. Unfortunately, vaccination is not the answer. Other "non-conformists" are a subset of homeschoolers, distrustful of government mandates and intent on the right to keep and bear viruses. A larger number of resisters are committed to an organic, chemical-free, natural lifestyle. This is attractive, except on diseases when the "natural" state — through most of history and still in much of the world — has been massive infant and child suffering and death. The achievements of science in this area are highly artificial — and thank goodness.

The ability to opt out of vaccinations (other than for diagnosed medical problems) is often miscast as a matter of parental choice, leading to a proliferation of state exemptions for vague religious and philosophic reasons. What could be wrong with choice? A lot, when you are choosing to endanger your neighbors. Vaccination — in a little-used but useful term — is a social responsibility. It is a duty we owe each other as members of a community. Opting out should be difficult and burdensome. And there is no parental right to send a purposely unvaccinated child to

public school, exposing other children to unnecessary risk.

Resistance to immunization is not new. In the late 1700s, some believed that the smallpox vaccine could turn people into cows. Today, however, there would be 1,000 websites alleging a sinister connection between Big Pharma and Big Dairy. The problem of vaccine denialism is closely tied to the problem of information and authority in the digital age. People prone to skepticism can cover themselves with layers of pseudo-science and conspiracy theories that thicken and harden like papier-mache.

On medical issues, America needs not more sources of questionable information but more trust in knowledgeable authority. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the American Academy of Pediatrics and your local pediatrician are not lying about immunization. Many websites are.

The seriousness of this discussion must somehow reflect the seriousness of the stakes. Vaccine denialism is not the equivalent of advocating for diaper-free children or sleeping in the family bed. During the lifetimes of American children born from 1994 to 2013, according to the CDC, childhood vaccinations will prevent an estimated 21 million hospitalizations and 732,000 deaths. Which is miraculous, but not natural.

GUEST VIEW

Candidates need to address state's weak pre-K quality standards

Houston Chronicle

In this contentious age, there are a few things that voters can agree on: Mom, apple pie and the need for pre-kindergarten. A recent YouGov poll found that most Americans support expansion of pre-K. As noted "A& for pre-K debate," it bodes well for Texas that Attorney General Greg Abbott and state Sen. Wendy Davis, our gubernatorial candidates, have made pre-K plans the cornerstones of their educational programs. But pre-K can mean different things to different people, and so it is not surprising that the Abbott and Davis plans disagree on specifics, such as whether the program should be full-day (Davis) or half-day (Abbott). Unfortunately, both plans are alike in one crucial respect. They both ignore the apples in the pre-K pie: class size and student-teacher ratio.

"Texas has some of the weakest pre-K quality standards in the country, with no limits to class size and ratio of students to teachers," W. Steven Barnett, director of the National Institute for Early Education Research, recently told the San Antonio Express-News.

More than 80 percent of other states set this ratio for their pre-K programs at one teacher to 10 children or two adults (teacher and aide) with a maximum class size of 20 children. Lower ratios make "positive teacher-to-student interactions" more likely, notes Carol Shattuck, executive director of Collaborative for Children. Take the case of the Spring Branch Independent School District. Spring Branch was an early leader in early childhood, providing pre-K to its 4-year-olds since the 1980s. SBISD continues to offer a full-day program, which is free of charge to lower-income students.

After the state Legislature cut pre-K funds in 2011, Superintendent Duncan Klusman was forced to increase pre-K class size from 22 to 24 students and cut back on teaching assistants. Although SBISD pre-K students still enter kindergarten well-prepared, evaluations showed a drop in literacy and math gains.

Pre-K programs with large class sizes and high student-to-teacher ratios can be like apple pies with all crust and no apples. It's only the idea of them that is satisfying and delicious. Our gubernatorial candidates need to address the shortfalls in their proposals if they plan to sell real apple pies to the voters.

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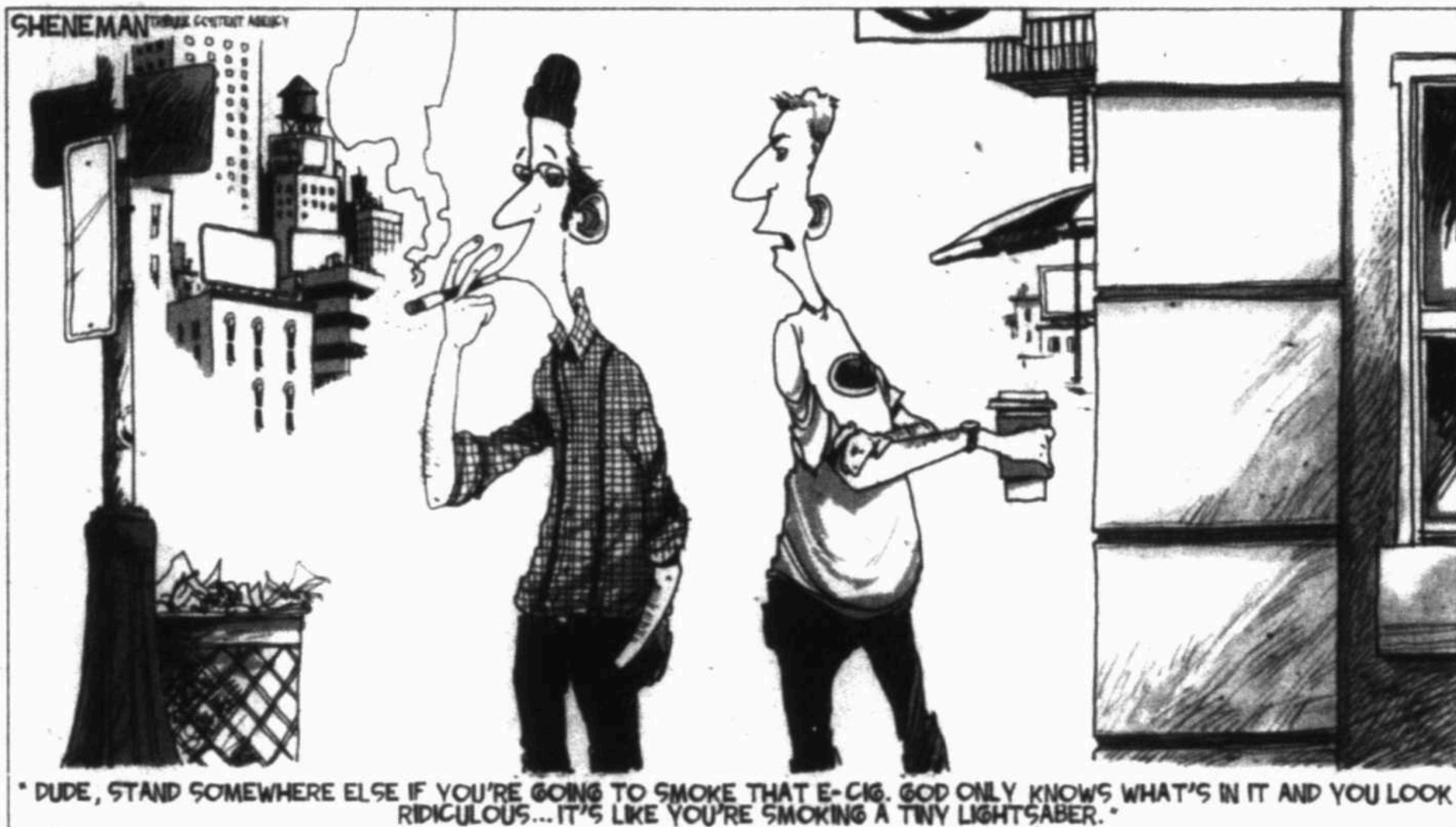
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Harry Reid has a Koch problem

■ The Senate majority leader has billionaire benefactors on the brain

The time has come to stop the denial and admit that Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid has a Koch problem.

More than 100 times on the Senate floor in the past few months, the Senate's top Democrat has invoked Charles and David Koch, the billionaire brothers who have pumped hundreds of millions of dollars into conservative causes and campaigns.

After a brief respite during the Easter recess (during which time Reid turned his ire to the "domestic terrorists" who supported Cliven Bundy in Reid's home state of Nevada) the senator has relapsed into a full-blown Koch habit.

Opening a minimum wage debate Wednesday, he said that if "Americans are searching for an answer" to why Republicans "would refuse to raise the minimum wage, they should look no further than Republicans' billionaire benefactors — I repeat, billionaire benefactors — the Koch brothers."

After Republicans blocked a minimum wage increase with a filibuster, Reid went to the Senate TV gallery and complained that "Republicans are defending ... the Koch brothers, while they come to the floor and oppose raising the minimum wage."

A reporter asked a question about a proposed constitutional amendment that would limit campaign contributions. Reid answered with a non sequitur: "The Koch brothers, of course, have — they scored this vote," he said. "In effect what they did is say, 'If you vote yes, we're not going to be with you anymore.'"

I caught up with Reid in the hall outside and asked whether he was concerned that all these Koch mentions were turning him into a Koch addict. "I tried that line; nobody picked it up," he said. "I said they were Koch addicts."

He did, on March 4: "Senate Republicans are addicted to Koch."

But somebody picked it up: The Washington Free Beacon, a conservative website, included it in a montage it made this month of the 134 times Reid uttered the Koch name, nearly all since he first tried a Koch line on Feb. 26. These include: "Koch dollars," "Koch money," "Koch ads," "Kochs' immorality," "Koch brothers' radical philosophy," "Koch brothers' lies," "Koch-Ryan budget" and "I'm not afraid of the Koch brothers." Reid also described the Kochs as Las Vegas illusionists and "power-drunk billionaires."

Reid went too far when he suggested that the Kochs' attempt to "buy America" made them "about as un-American as anyone I can imagine." That is factually incorrect. The Roberts Supreme Court has made it downright patriotic to buy

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The senator recognizes that in modern politics it works to demonize the enemy — and as ultra-secretive oil tycoons, the Kochs come from bogeyman central casting. Conservatives did the same thing — and worse — to liberal billionaire George Soros, who endured attacks by Glenn Beck in 2010 that had anti-Semitic overtones. Tom DeLay, Nancy Pelosi, Karl Rove and Reid himself, among many others, have served as demons.

Some Democrats have joined Reid in his Koch campaign, but a search of the Congressional Record finds that of the 74 occasions on which the Kochs have come up during this Congress, Reid was responsible for 29 of them.

In Wednesday's Senate debate, Reid found a way to blame the Kochs for the Republicans' opposition to the minimum wage increase. "Absolutely no one was surprised yesterday when Americans for Prosperity, which is only one of the Koch-funded political organizations, instructed Republicans in Congress to vote against a minimum wage increase," he said.

Reid went on to contend that "the will of the Koch brothers seems to be the top priority for my Republican colleagues" and that House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan, R-Wis., "will need to check with the Koch brothers first" before drafting legislation.

After Democrats fell six votes short of breaking the filibuster, Reid told reporters that "six Republicans have rushed to defend Dave and Charlie, the Koch brothers. ... If the same number of Republicans voted with us, we would have minimum wage."

An aide said Reid was referring to public remarks by six Republican senators defending the Kochs. Minority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky called the pair "the left's latest bizarre obsession," while Louisiana's David Vitter proclaimed "God bless the Koch brothers" and Ted Cruz of Texas spoke of the "impropriety" of Reid trying to turn "two private citizens" into "characters almost out of Dr. Seuss." The Louisiana Republican Party filed an ethics complaint against Reid, saying he used his government-funded Web site to attack the brothers.

Good luck with that. An ethics complaint is weak medicine for an advanced Koch dependency.

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New Jersey sports gambling suit tab: \$2.8M and rising

By David Porter
Associated Press

NEWARK, N.J. — New Jersey's bid to legalize sports gambling has endured defeat after defeat in the courts, but one big winner has emerged, at taxpayer expense — the law firm hired to help Gov. Chris Christie defend a lawsuit filed by the four major pro sports leagues and the NCAA.

The firm — Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher — is the same one Christie hired, also with public money, to investigate the George Washington Bridge lane-closing scandal that is plaguing his administration.

According to figures obtained by The Associated Press through a public records request, Gibson Dunn billed the state for \$2.8 million in fees between August 2012, when the leagues sued to stop Christie from going ahead with his plan to issue sports gambling licenses, and the end of 2013.

The total amount to be borne by taxpayers will be higher when other attorneys' fees are added; for example, former Assembly Speaker Sheila Oliver and former Senate President Steve Sweeney became part of the case in November 2012, but information on their fees was not available from the attorney general's office.

"We have an \$800 million budget deficit," said state Sen. Shirley Turner, one of the few lawmakers to vote against amending the New Jersey Constitution in 2012 to allow sports gambling. "We don't have the money to spend on something on which the odds were long. It could have been better spent for so many other things, to help people in the state who need the help."

The firm's fees come atop hundreds of thousands of dollars it is anticipated to bill the state for the traffic-jam investigation, according to media reports. The legislature has also spent hundreds of thousands of dollars investigating.

Neither a spokesman for Christie nor the law firm responded to requests for comment from The Associated Press.

The state's last chance for the gambling case is for the U.S. Supreme Court to take it up, a decision that could come this month.

Over the past two years, Christie and other lawmakers have boldly predicted that New Jersey's efforts would result in a landmark ruling that would legalize sports gambling in New Jersey and help revive the state's struggling casino industry. But some legal experts considered the case a long shot from the start, given that it would require overturning the federal Professional and Amateur Sports Protection Act, a 1992 law that restricted sports gambling to Nevada and three other states that already offered betting pools.

"This is not an issue for the courts; it's for the Congress to sort out, and Congress probably needs to sort it out," said Jeremy Frey, a Philadelphia-based lawyer who is an expert in gambling law. "It's not to say that it's not worth doing — but it's a loser."

Frey's words echo those of U.S. District Judge Michael Shipp, who wrote in an opinion last year rejecting New Jersey's arguments that "to the extent the people of New Jersey disagree with PASPA, their remedy is not through passage of a state law or through the judiciary, but through the repeal or amendment of PASPA in Congress."

That route has proved difficult. Separate sports gambling bills introduced in 2012 by New Jersey Reps. Frank Pallone and Rep. Frank LoBiondo have stalled in committee, though both men have said they remain committed to the cause.

The state's ruling was upheld on appeal by the 3rd U.S. Circuit in Philadelphia in a 2-1 decision last fall. The court later denied a request to have the matter reheard by the full 3rd Circuit. That has left the Supreme Court as the last resort.

Some legal experts feel New Jersey's chances to have the case heard improved when the Supreme Court last year struck down a part of the Voting Rights Act that required states with a history of voter discrimination to get Washington's approval before changing election processes.

In her dissent, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg mentioned the 1992 sports gambling law and appeared to question whether it and other laws that treat some states differently from others might be in jeopardy.

Lucha VaVoom stage show fuses Mexican wrestling, striptease

By John Rogers
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — It's hard to say which zany circus-like act wins over the audience at Lucha VaVoom.

Perhaps it's the transvestite wrestler who swan-dives from a third-story balcony to pin his opponent to the concrete floor, a move equal parts stunning and stupid. It could be the two female high-wire acrobats who strip nearly naked and spin high above the arena secured only by scarves. Or maybe it's the three-person masked wrestling tag teams each composed of a man, a woman and a dwarf.

Whatever it is, there's little question that the esoteric hybrid of American burlesque and Mexican wrestling is an outrageous hit that could be coming to a theater near you.

"I've been a wrestling fan, big-time, since the days of Hulk Hogan, but when I saw this — there's nothing like this," said Adalid Sanchez, an elementary-school teacher who arrived an hour early to a recent show to stake out a prime spot in the second row of the VIP section.

New York has Broadway. Las Vegas has Cirque du Soleil. Mexico has Lucha Libre wrestling. Only Los Angeles mashes the whole thing together, then leaves it with ample doses of loud, blaring rock music, flashing lights, a celebrity guest performer and a cadre of burlesque-style comedians, said Diane Christensen of Los Angeles.

"This is everything about LA that you love," said Christensen, adding, "People get dressed up to come here."

Some people maybe, but not Christensen. At the moment, the Lucha VaVoom ring girl is wearing a pushup bra, a short slip, thong and pretty much nothing else, having just finished a night of escorting big, beefy wrestlers into the ring and posing for photos with fans.

"What do I do when I'm not ring-girling?" she asked with a giggle. "I'm in film production."

She came to a show as a fan more than a year ago and was instantly hooked.

The audience, meanwhile, is a group as wildly divergent as LA itself: Film editors, schoolteachers, a construction contractor, factory workers and the occasional celebrity.

"There's no show that's funnier, sillier or more entertaining than this one," said Eric Idle, a regular at Lucha VaVoom shows and, as one of the members of Monty Python, someone who knows something about silly.

All of this madness was



AP file photo

In this Feb. 12 photo, wrestler Dr. Maldad and Mexican Spitfire of Burlesque Ruby Champagne, perform at the Lucha VaVoom Valentine's show of Lucha Libre Mexican wrestling and Burlesque at the Mayan Theatre in downtown Los Angeles.

born about a dozen years ago on the set of a movie about genetically enhanced baboons that was filmed in Mexico.

"It was a really bad film," recalled Liz Fairbairn, who was the movie's costumer. But it did introduce her to a luchador who became her boyfriend.

The love affair with the wrestler didn't last, but the one with wrestling did.

Soon Fairbairn decided she wanted to put on traditional Lucha Libre matches for gringos like herself. But she wondered if the hipster crowd of LA artists and film people she hangs with would buy that.

"Nobody ever went broke presenting lovely girls," said her friend Rita D'Albert, a choreographer who joined her as co-producer.

Overnight, Lucha VaVoom was a hit, selling out a dozen or so shows a year at the Mayan, a majestically restored old theater in a seedy section of downtown.

After this year's annual Cinco de Mayo week performances, Lucha VaVoom headed to Chicago for a show Saturday, with dates planned later in the year.

of nearly naked ring girls, more loud music, more flashing lights, and lots of comically violent performances by the luchadores.

Finally, it was time for Cassandro, the cross-dressing transvestite who is the Liberace of wrestling. He came waltzing into the ring in a sequined robe, blowing kisses to the audience and wearing a colorful wrestling costume that looks more like a woman's bathing suit.

Unlike most luchadores, Cassandro doesn't bother with a mask. He said he doesn't want to hide his pretty face. It's a face plastered with glitter, rouge, eyeliner, bright blue eyeshadow and even brighter red lipstick.

But don't let appearances fool you. Cassandro is a superb athlete, holder of three championship belts. And so what if wrestling is fake. There's nothing fake about the high dive he's about to do off the balcony.

"People ask how you can do it without getting hurt. The answer is you can't," he said before the show. He's got the pins in his surgically repaired legs to prove it.

On this night, he landed hard on his collarbone and grimaced in pain. But the show must go on. So he got up, tossed his vanquished opponent back into the ring and pinned him.

Turning to the audience, he flashed that 1,000-watt grin of his and then headed to the dressing room as the last stripper of the night took it off.

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Associated Press

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The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and

Museum in Boston honored Bush with a 2014 John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award.

The award crossed generations and political parties. It was given by Jack Schlossberg, son of the late Democratic president's daughter, Caroline Kennedy, to Lauren Bush, granddaughter of the former Republican president.

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AFGHANISTAN Focus shifts to families displaced by mudslide

ABI BARIK — As Afghans observed a day of mourning Sunday for the hundreds of people killed in a horrific landslide, rescue workers tried to help the 700 families displaced by the torrent of mud that swept through their village.

The families left their homes because of the threat of more landslides in the village of Abi Barik in Badakhshan province, Minister for Rural Rehabilitation Wais Ahmad Barnak said.

Another reason for the evacuation was the threat of flooding caused in part by the landslide itself, said Mohammad Daim Kakar, from the Afghanistan Natural Disaster Management Authority. He said the shifting earth had made it difficult for water to drain through the valley — a serious concern as rain continued to fall Sunday.

Engineers are working on a plan to divert the water, he said.

UKRAINE Pro-Russian crowd storms police HQ in Odessa

ODESSA — Outrage over the deaths of pro-Russian activists in riots in Odessa triggered new violence Sunday in the Black Sea port, where a mob of protesters stormed police headquarters and freed dozens of their jailed allies.

The activists had been jailed for their involvement in clashes Friday that killed more than 40 people — some died from gunshot wounds, but most from a fire that broke out in a trade union building. It was the worst violence in the Ukrainian crisis since more than 100 people died in Kiev in February, most of them shot by snipers.

Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk visited Odessa on Sunday to try

to defuse the mounting tensions and hinted strongly that he saw Moscow's hand in the unrest spreading through southeastern Ukraine.

Odessa is the major city between the Crimean Peninsula, which Russia annexed in March, and the Moldovan separatist region of Trans-Dniester, where Russia has a military peace-keeping contingent.

Concerns are mounting that Moscow ultimately aims to take control of a huge swath of southeastern Ukraine from Trans-Dniester to Russian-dominated industrial areas in the east. Russian President Vladimir Putin, who calls the area historically Russian lands, has said he doesn't want to send in troops but will if necessary to protect his country's interests.

NORTHERN IRELAND Sinn Fein's Adams freed after 5 days in custody

BELFAST — Sinn Fein party leader Gerry Adams was released without charge Sunday after five days of police questioning over his alleged involvement in a decades-old IRA killing of a Belfast mother of 10, an investigation that has driven a dangerous wedge into Northern Ireland's unity government.

Addressing reporters and supporters at a Belfast hotel, Adams said he wanted his party to provide help to the children of Jean McConville, the 37-year-old widow taken from her home by the Irish Republican Army in 1972, killed and dumped in an unmarked grave. He also rejected claims by IRA veterans in audiotaped interviews that he had ordered the killing.

"I am innocent of any involvement in any conspiracy to abduct, kill or bury Mrs. McConville. I have worked hard with others to have this injustice redressed," said Adams, 65, who has led Sinn Fein since 1983.

Nigerian leader issues order to free abducted girls

By Michelle Faul
and Bashir Adigun
Associated Press

ABUJA, Nigeria — Nigerian President Goodluck Jonathan met with security, school and state officials, and ordered that "everything must be done" to free the 276 girls held captive by Islamic extremists, one of his advisers said Sunday amid growing national outrage at the government's response to the abduction.

Jonathan said in a televised "media chat" Sunday night that he believes Nigeria is winning its war against an Islamic uprising.

Two bomb blasts in three weeks that have killed about 100 people and injured more than 200 in the capital, Abuja, "does not mean the situation is worsening," Jonathan said.

"I believe we are succeeding," he said, though the death tolls tell a different story.

More than 1,500 people have died in the insurgency this year, compared to an estimated 3,600 between 2010 and 2013. Both of the Abuja blasts are blamed on Boko Haram, the Islamic terrorist network.

Jonathan said he has been asking for and getting help from the United States but that President Barack Obama has expressed concern to him about allegations of gross human rights abuses by security forces accused of summary executions and the killings in detention of thousands of people.

"I said, 'Send someone to see what we are doing and assist us, give us equipment that will help us, because we need sophisticated (equipment), don't just say there is some matter of alleged abuses,'" Jonathan said, describing one of two conversations with the U.S. leader.

U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry over the weekend promised help.

"The kidnapping of hundreds of children by Boko Haram is an unconscionable crime, and we will do everything possible to sup-

port the Nigerian government to return these young women to their homes and to hold the perpetrators to justice," Kerry said from Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Jonathan's meeting over Saturday night was the first time the president had met with all stakeholders, including the principal of the Chibok Government Girls Secondary School in northeastern Nigeria where the girls and young women were kidnapped in a pre-dawn raid April 15, presidential adviser Reuben Abati told reporters.

Nigerians' anger at the failure to rescue the students, and protest marches last week in major Nigerian cities as well as New York City, have spurred to action Jonathan's government, which many see as uncaring of the girls' plight.

"The president has given very clear directives that everything must be done to

ensure that these girls must be brought back to safety," Abati said.

The police said last week that the actual number abducted had risen to more than 300 and that 276 remain in captivity. It said 53 students managed to escape their captors. None have been rescued by the military, which initially said it was in hot pursuit of the abductors.

Some of the girls have been forced into "marriage" with their abductors and were paid a nominal bride price of \$12, according to a federal senator from the area whose report is unverified.

Some of the young women have been taken across Nigeria's borders to Cameroon and Chad, parents said last week, quoting villagers. Child marriage is common in northern Nigeria, where it is allowed under Islamic law that clashes with the

country's Western-style constitution.

Anguished parents in Chibok town, who have lost confidence in the government and military, have been begging for international help.

In northeastern Nigeria, police Sunday morning foiled an attack by suicide bombers who had packed a pickup vehicle with explosives and petrol, the Defense Ministry said.

Police arrested one of the culprits, who said the target was a police post in the center of Damaruru, the capital of Yobe state, said spokesman Maj. Gen. Chris Olukolade.

In a further indication of security threats confronting Nigeria, the U.S. Embassy on Friday warned Americans that "groups associated with terrorism" may be planning "an unspecified attack" on a Sheraton hotel in Nigeria's commercial center, Lagos.

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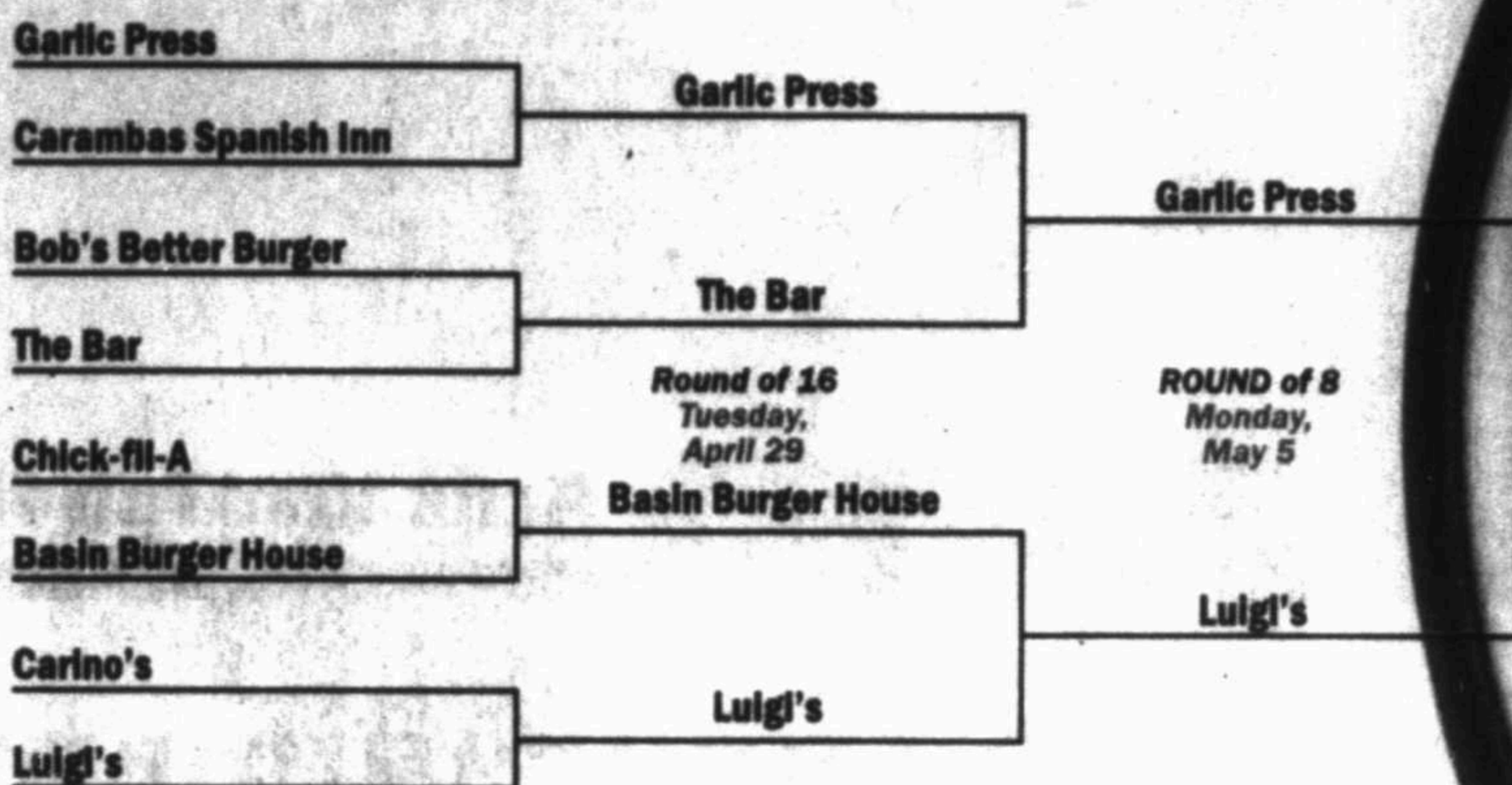
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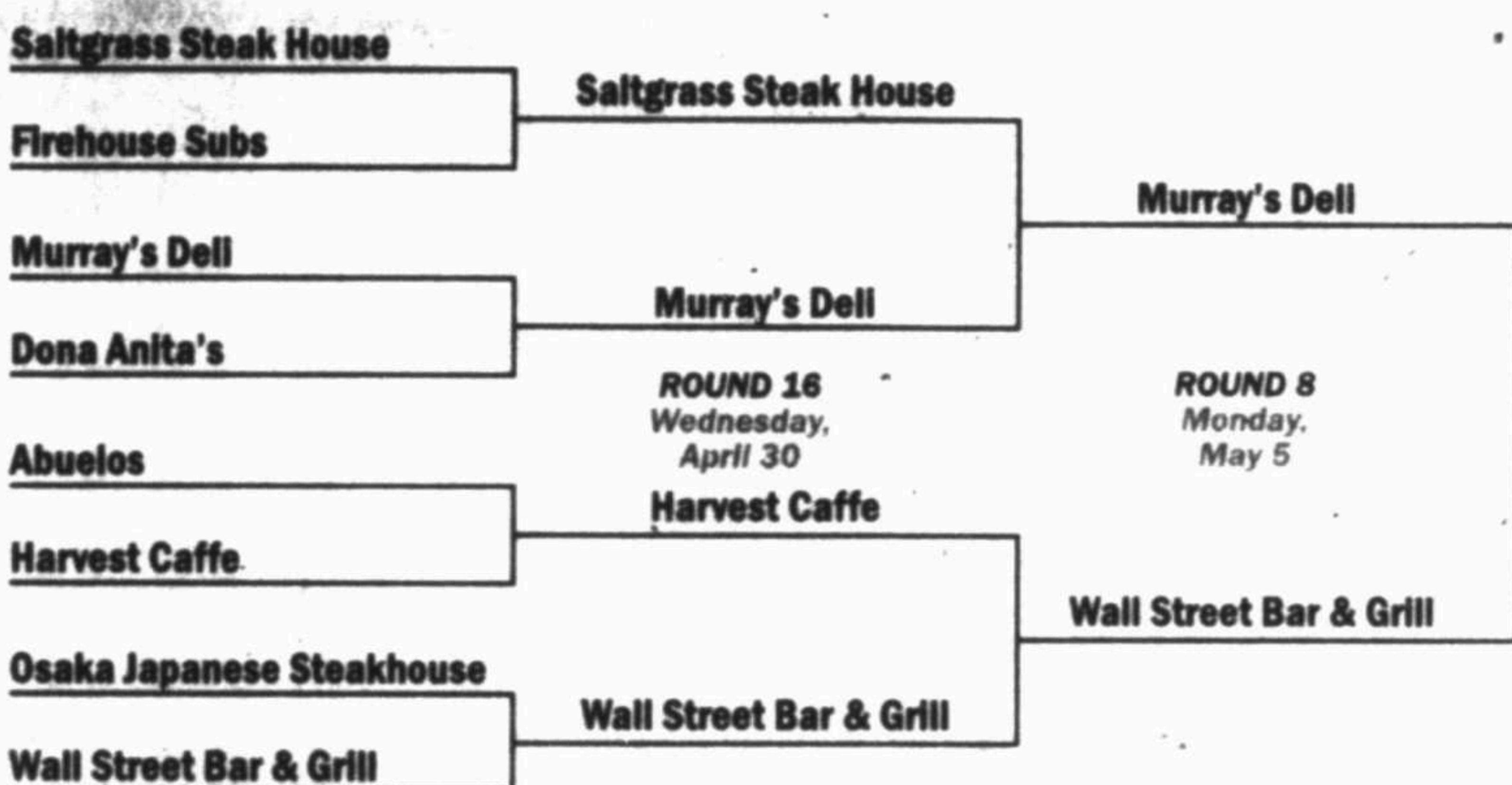
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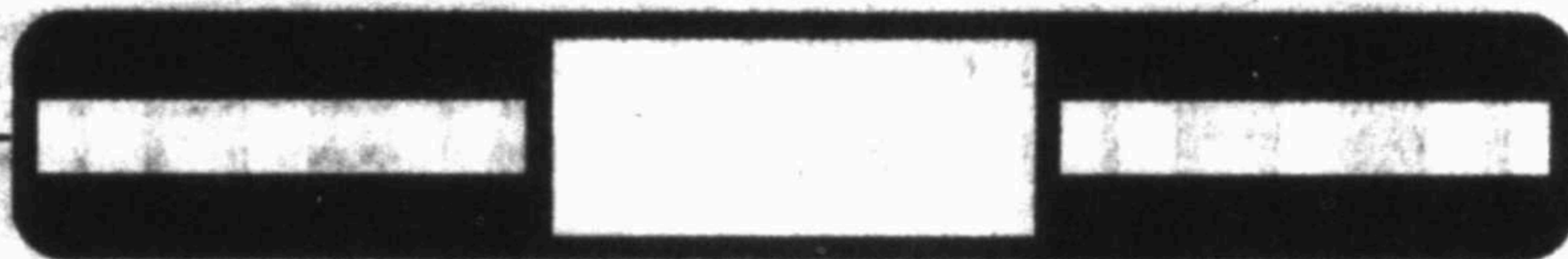


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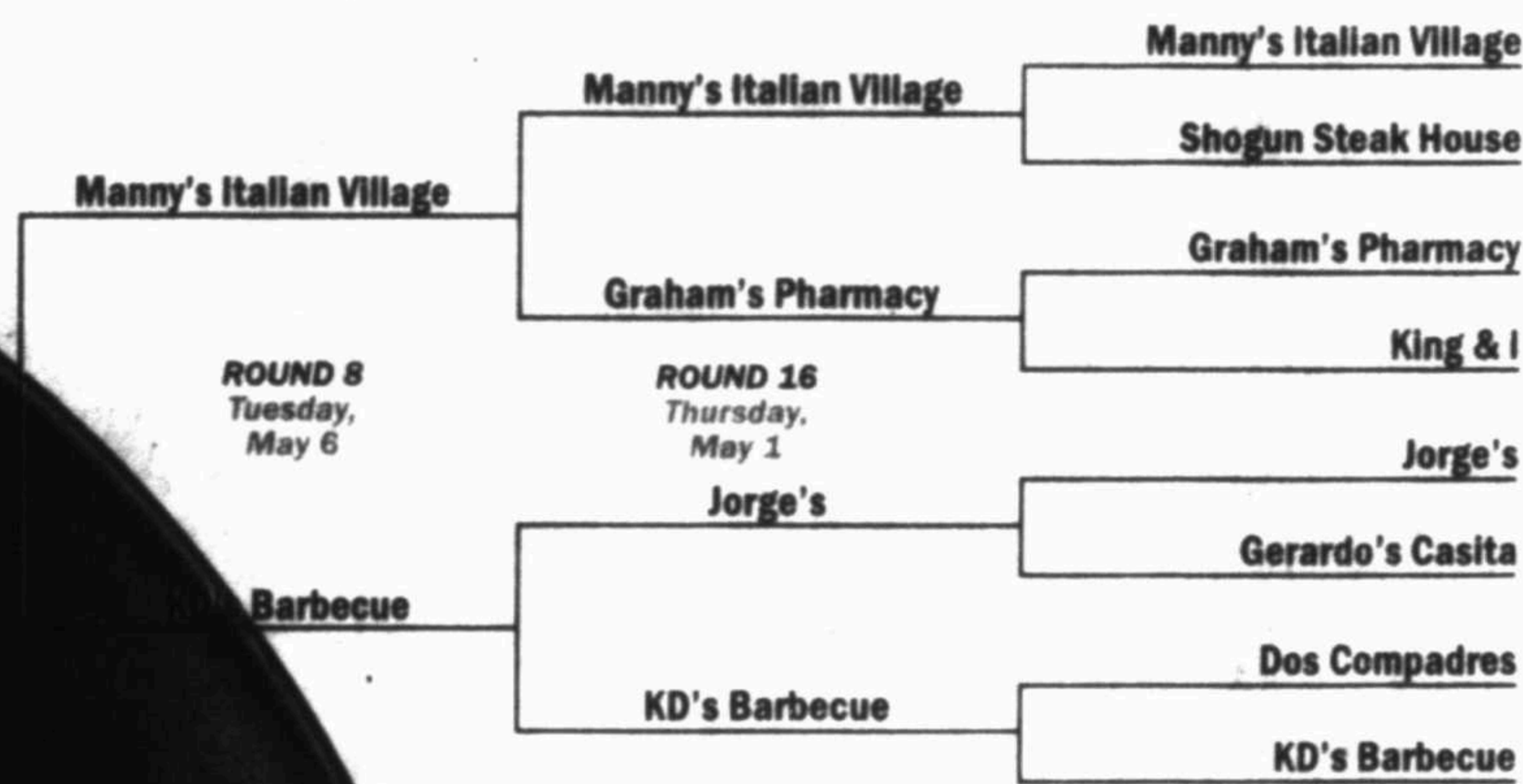
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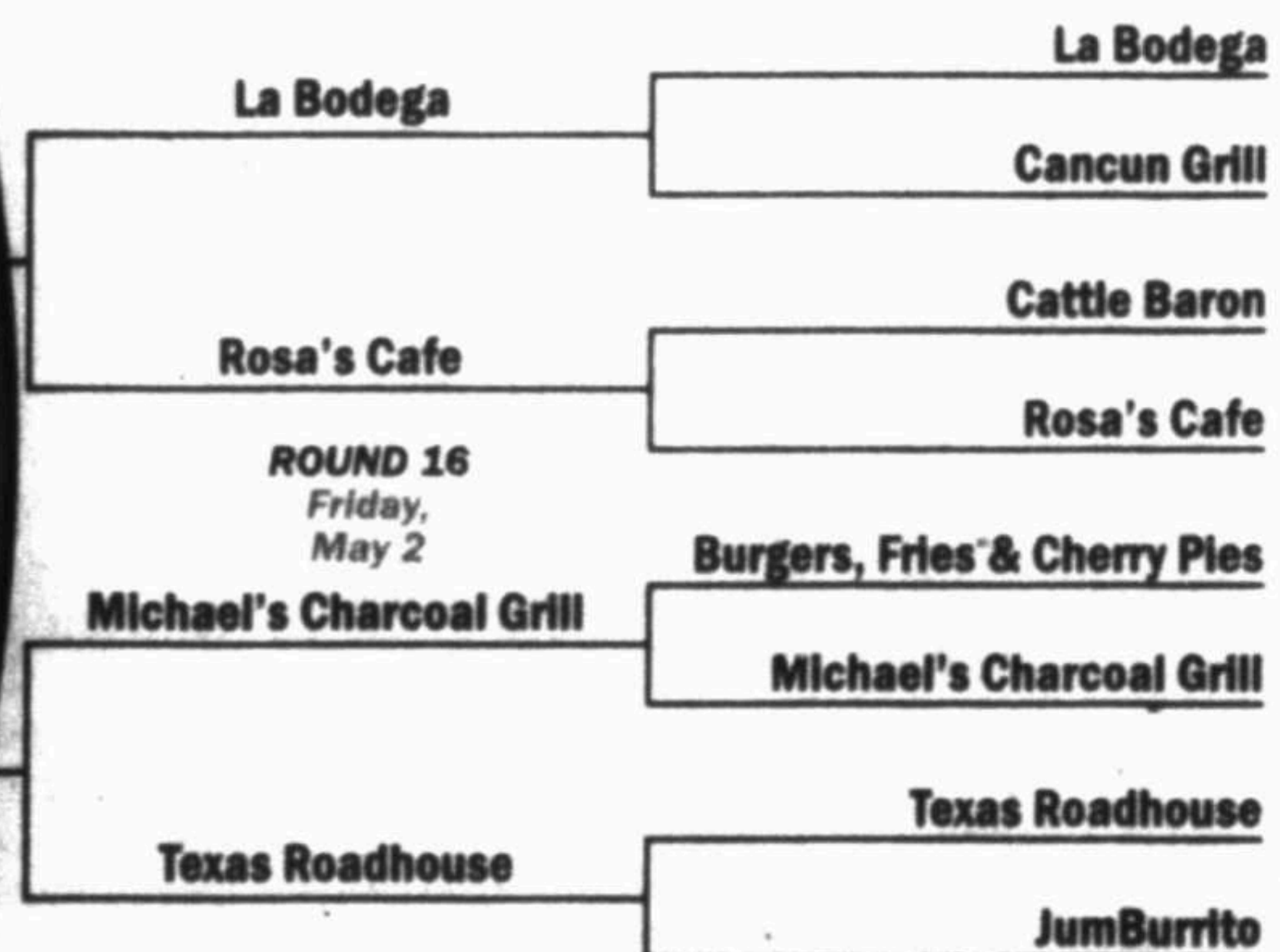
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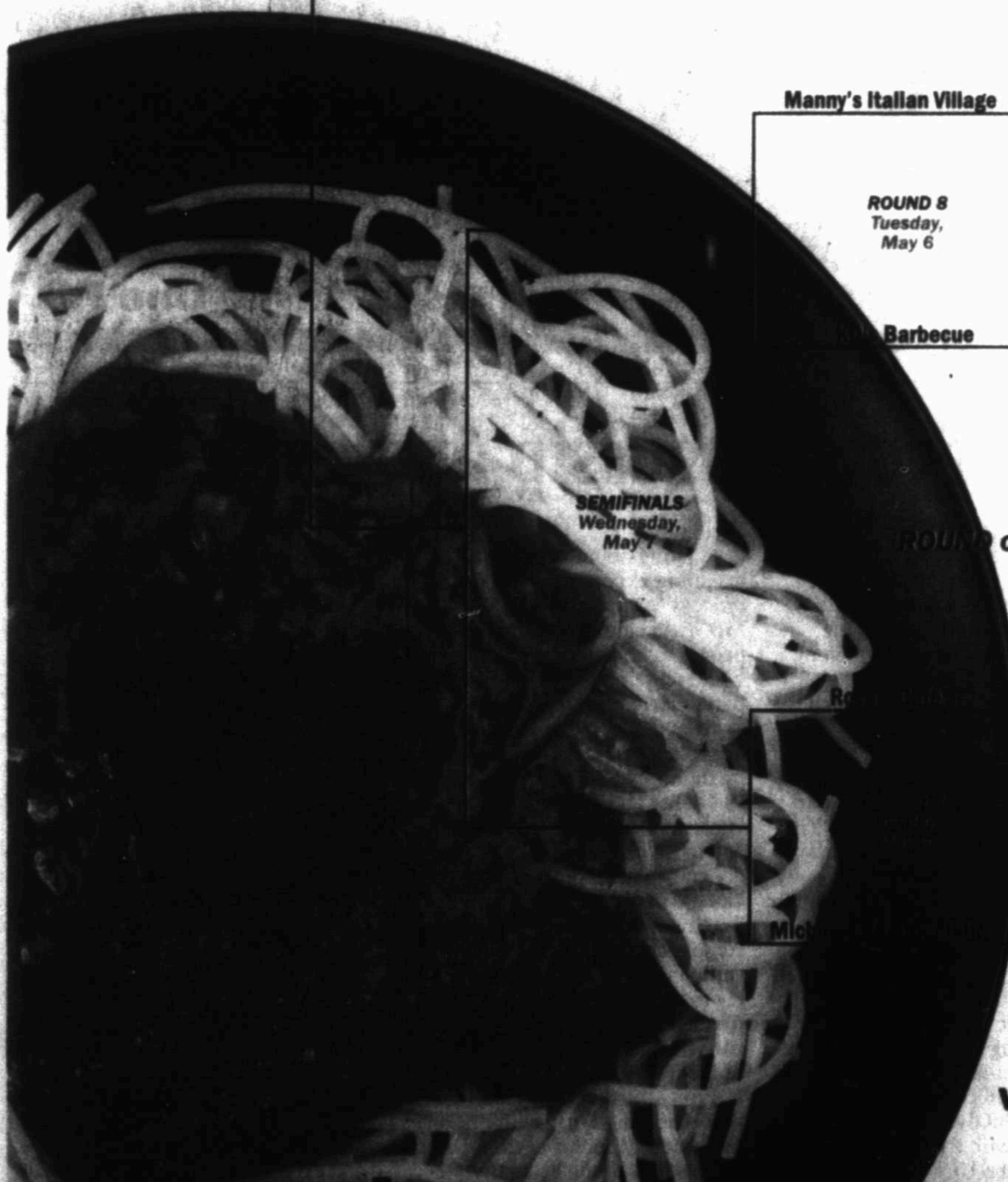


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Wall Street Bar & Grill def. Brooks' BBQ; def. Osaka Japanese Steakhouse; def. Harvest Caffe

Cannon Region

Manny's Italian Village def. Taste of Chicago; def. Shogun Steak House; def. Graham's Pharmacy
KD's Barbecue def. Romie's Mexican Restaurant; def. Dos Compadres; def. Jorge's

Buck Region

Rosa's Cafe def. Bushido Japanese Steak House; def. Cattle Baron; def. La Bodega
Michael's Charcoal Grill def. La Mision; def. Burgers, Fries and Cherry Pies; def. Texas Roadhouse

ITUNES TOP LISTS

Books

- Top paid Books
1. "The Target" by David Baldacci
 2. "The Fault in Our Stars" by John Green
 3. "Heaven is for Real" by Todd Burpo & Lynn Vincent
 4. "Divergent" by Veronica Roth
 5. "Insurgent" by Veronica Roth
 6. "Allegiant" by Veronica Roth
 7. "The Goldfinch" by Donna Tartt
 8. "The Collector" by Nora Roberts
 9. "NYPD Red 2" by James Patterson & Marshall Karp
 10. "Gone Girl" by Gillian Flynn
 11. "Orphan Train" by Christina Baker Kline
 12. "Flash Boys: A Wall Street Revolt" by Michael Lewis
 13. "Taming Alex" by Jill Sanders
 14. "Pride Over Pity" by Kaitlyn Lowry
 15. "Missing You" by Harlan Coben
 16. "The Husband's Secret" by Liane Moriarty
 17. "Carnal Curiosity" by Stuart Woods
 18. "Everybody's Got Something" by Robin Roberts & Veronica Chambers
 19. "A Game of Thrones" by George R. R. Martin
 20. "Fifty Shades of Grey" by E. L. James

Apps

- Top paid iPhone apps
1. A Dark Room
 2. Heads Up!
 3. Goat Rampage
 4. Minecraft: Pocket Edition
 5. Afterlight
 6. ThemeLab
 7. Sleep Cycle alarm clock
 8. The Survival Games: Mini Game
 9. Plague Inc.
 10. The Amazing Spider-Man 2

- Top free iPhone apps
1. Piano Tiles
 2. 2048: The Game
 3. Swamp AttackOut
 4. Beats Music
 5. FarmVille 2: Country Escape
 6. Snapchat
 7. UberFacts
 8. Instagram
 9. Don't step the white tile
 10. YouTube

- Top paid iPad apps
1. Minecraft: Pocket Edition
 2. The Amazing Spider-Man
 3. Leo's Fortune
 4. The Survival Games: Mini Game
 5. Heads Up!
 6. SpongeBob Moves In
 7. Blek
 8. Goat Rampage
 9. Wallykazam!
 10. Hitman GO
- Top free iPad apps
1. FarmVille 2: Country Escape
 2. Microsoft Word for iPad, Microsoft Corporation
 3. 2048: The Game
 4. Hearthstone: Heroes of Warcraft
 5. Piano Tiles
 6. Swamp Attack
 7. Sonic & All-Stars Racing
 8. Hair Salon for Cartoon
 9. Farm Heroes
 10. Microsoft Excel for iPad

Music

- Top songs
1. "Happy" (From "Despicable Me 2"), Pharrell Williams
 2. "All of Me," John Legend
 3. "Talk Dirty" (feat. 2 Chainz), Jason Derulo
 4. "Turn Down For What," DJ Snake, Lil Jon
 5. "Let It Go," Idina Menzel
 6. "Fancy" (feat. Charli XCX), Iggy Azalea
 7. "Dark Horse" (feat. Juicy J), Katy Perry
 8. "Play It Again," Luke Bryan
 9. "Problem" (feat. Iggy Azalea), Ariana Grande
 10. "Not a Bad Thing," Justin Timberlake

- Top albums
1. "The New Classic," Iggy Azalea
 2. "Honest," Future
 3. "Nashville: On the Record (Live)," Nashville Cast
 4. "Frozen," Various Artists
 5. "You Make Me Brave (Live)," Bethel Music
 6. "From Here To Now To You Live," Jack Johnson
 7. "Ghost Stories," Coldplay
 8. "Crash My Party," Luke Bryan
 9. "Testimony," August Alsina
 10. "Pure Heroine," Lorde



Asus VivoTab Note 8

Solid tech options for upgrading mom

By Ron Harris
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Mom is busy. She's working and making and doing and raising you, among other things. In return, it's probably time for her to upgrade her aging PC or laptop. Hint, hint.

To that end, I've found and tested three products with all the latest touch-screen creature comforts: one tablet, one laptop and one all-in-one, which is a computer where the crucial components (CPU, optical drive, hard disk drive, RAM) are all built in to the housing of the display.

Asus VivoTab Note 8
(\$299, Windows 8)

Your mom is probably like a lot of busy moms who use their smartphones for nearly everything to do with staying connected. But occasionally a little more screen size would do nicely. The Asus VivoTab Note 8 is a solid pick for a tablet.

The Note 8 has an 8-inch display, measured diagonally, and can quickly go from easy, breezy light-use mode to professional environment workhorse.

Popular social media apps such as Facebook and Twitter are just a touch away. But when it's time to get productive, that's where having a full version of the Windows 8 system comes in handy. Strong,

office-ready apps, such as Microsoft Office, deliver the utility mom is accustomed to, in a way iPads and Android tablets can't.

The Wacom stylus pen is an attractive bonus. It tucks away in a hole near the base when not in use. But you'll use it on some Windows applications that have less than finger-friendly menus, or to doodle some notes in the margins of documents.

I tested it out with various drawing apps, like Pen Sketch. Its sensitivity and ability to vary the weight and thickness of the strokes was really impressive.

When I took some notes at a city hall meeting using Microsoft's OneNote, it looked exactly like smooth pen on paper. There were no jagged, pixelated edges on my lines, and the stroke weight of my jotted notes matched the various pressure I applied while scribbling.

The VivoTab Note 8 battery boasts 8 hours of life and comes with Microsoft Office for free. It's typically free only on tablets with a lightweight variant of Windows called RT. The Note has the full version.

It also has a MicroSD slot for expanded storage, which can come in handy if your mom shoots a lot of video. The base model has just 32 gigabytes, typical for Windows tablets. The quad-core Intel Atom processor is strong enough for most tablet tasks. The display is sharp. There's a lot for mom to

like here.

Lenovo Flex 15D
(\$499, Windows 8)

Touch screens on laptops are tricky. Touch them too hard with one finger and the laptop rocks back, or tips over. It's not a good experience if the screen is teetering back and forth when you interact with it.

Lenovo Group's Flex 15D solves that. The laptop's hinge is designed such that the keyboard half of the laptop can face down and act as a stand for the touch display. What you lose in terms of a physical keyboard in this configuration, you gain by having a sturdy and pleasing angle by which to view and access the display.

It's a sleek-styled laptop, tapered thin near the touchpad below the keys. The straight lines and minimalist bezel design make this a very eye-appealing addition to the office or household.

Underneath all that sleek is enough power to get mom through her tasks. The Flex 15D has a quad-core AMD 1.5 GHz processor, four gigabytes of RAM and a 500 gigabyte hard drive.

The touch screen responded well to my pinches and swipes, but I found the resolution a little soft. It's sharp enough for most common tasks but non jaw-dropping sharp.

Asus All-in-One PC ET2322
(\$1,099, Windows 8)

All-in-one desktop computers have finally hit their full stride with the advent of touch-screen interaction. This Asus unit is big and bold. It handled visually oriented tasks on my desktop effortlessly.

The display is a lush 23-inch full high-definition screen that delivers rich colors with crisp sharpness. At that size, it's good to be sharp because there's going to be a lot of video viewing and photo slide-show swiping going on.

The display houses all of the guts of the computer — the hard drive, processor, RAM, optical DVD-RW drive. It all rests on a circular, silver stand that can angle the screen for sight-level comfort. Looks aside, this is a powerful PC with an Intel Core i5 processor.

Moms are going to like launching simple pastime apps with the swipe of a finger and then settling down with the wireless keyboard and mouse for some home office productivity. I know I did.

Also tucked under the lower left of the screen is a 6-in-1 card reader, for camera memory cards and more. Near the top is a 2 megapixel user-facing camera makes for solid selfies and Skype chats. I kept looking around for something AsusTek Computer Inc. forgot on this unit — some weak link in the chain of performance. If it's there, I missed it.



Lenovo Flex 15D



Asus All-in-One PC

Secret, Whisper grow on gossip and confession

By Omar L. Gallaga
Cox Newspapers

Earlier this year, Annie Hsieh, who works at an Austin startup, downloaded an app called Secret.

What intrigued her was the app's promise of anonymity. It's a social network, not unlike Twitter, where people post things, but without names and with only vague references to locations.

"I thought it would be interesting to see what people share when they were anonymous," Hsieh said.

Hsieh reads a lot more secrets using the app than she posts. But one thing she shared got a lot of attention. "It was about the lingering effects of a traumatic childhood experience," she said. "A lot of people came forward and said they'd had a similar experience and said they had never shared it before but felt compelled to offer support."

Hsieh said she was surprised not just by the outpouring itself but by the idea that it came from virtual strangers, "even though they didn't know who I was."

Welcome to the semi-anonymous Web, where a new generation of apps allows users to let loose with postings they wouldn't

dare broadcast to Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn or any number of other public online networks.

In November, San Francisco-based Secret launched, joining another app that has been gaining traction for its promise of on-line anonymity. Whisper, which launched in 2012. Recently, Secret raised \$8.6 million from outside investors, while Whisper drew \$21 million in funding. Last week, another anonymous social app, "Yik Yak," focused on texting, raised \$1.5 million.

While the apps have been criticized as potential breeding grounds for cyberbullying, they've grown on the promise of compelling personal anecdotes that don't have a place on the public social Web and for passing along industry gossip, especially in tech-heavy locales such as Austin and Silicon Valley.

Joseph McGlynn III, a doctoral researcher with the Center for Identity at the University of Texas at Austin, has been studying these kinds of apps and said there are good reasons for their existence.

"Apps such as Secret and Whisper are valuable in that they can provide a platform for people to discuss sensitive topics," McGlynn said. Users, he said, can speak more freely with less fear of judgment, retaliation or social

alienation.

"Talking about negative or troubling experiences is a cathartic process for many people," McGlynn said. "The ability for people to be part of a community while remaining anonymous is particularly promising."

What do people post on these apps? A lot of it is everyday minutiae, eye-popping sex talk (infidelity and monogamy are constant themes, at least on Secret) and loose chatter about impending departures at companies such as Google or Nike. During South by Southwest Interactive in March, some early adopters of Secret shifted their focus from Silicon Valley to the Austin festival and posted frequent updates about debauched partying and withering criticisms of the fest and people attending.

Typically, the posts aren't the kind you'd find on Twitter or on Facebook, where everything one posts sticks to their identity forever. They could all be made up. There's no way to know. But much of it feels deeply human and frail, bits that would be bulldozed and overanalyzed on the public Web.

Chrys Bader, a co-founder of Secret, said that humanity is the point.

"Everyone is human at the core, and we all have the same human

issues, regardless of where you are and who you are," Bader said. "There's tremendous power in the information because of the way we built it."

Secret started with just 100 users, friends of the founders who were testing out the app. Bader said they noticed right away that even in a small, semi-anonymous community, people were coming back again and again to share.

Though Bader said that personal struggles and daily anecdotes make up a lot of Secret, it's also emerging as an information back channel. Word that the head of Google Plus, Vic Gundotra, was leaving the company began appearing on Secret days before it was official. Anonymous gossip, to no one's surprise, spreads fast.

"People are finding out about things first on Secret," Bader said. He says the company is focused on releasing an Android version and expanding the product globally, especially to countries where there are more restrictions on free speech.

But is anyone every truly anonymous online? Even Bader admits that no online entity is ever 100 percent secure and unhackable. "You're anonymous in the app, but that doesn't mean you're untraceable," he said.

Facebook unveils host of mobile-friendly features

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Mark Zuckerberg, like Facebook, is maturing. The soon-to-be 30-year-old CEO of the 10-year-old social networking company grew reflective as he stood in front of hundreds of developers to announce a host of mobile features designed to put "people first."

"We used to have this famous mantra, 'move fast and break things,'" Zuckerberg said at Facebook's f8 developer conference in San Francisco.

But moving quickly was sometimes so important that Facebook's engineers would tolerate a few bugs, or push out

products that were not always fully baked. Fixing the bugs, Zuckerberg said, "was slowing us down." Backpedaling on features that didn't work—or that users didn't like—slowed things, too, though Zuckerberg did not mention that.

Facebook's new mantra may not be as sexy. Zuckerberg pointed to a new sign that read "Move fast with stable infra," as in infrastructure, and the audience laughed.

The last time Facebook held a developer conference was in 2011. That was before the company went public in 2012, before it began showing mobile advertisements and before it paid eye-popping amounts of money to acquire small, popular apps like Instagram and WhatsApp.

In the tech world, three years can be a lifetime. Facebook's focus is now squarely on the mobile world, not just its own applications but those built by outside developers.

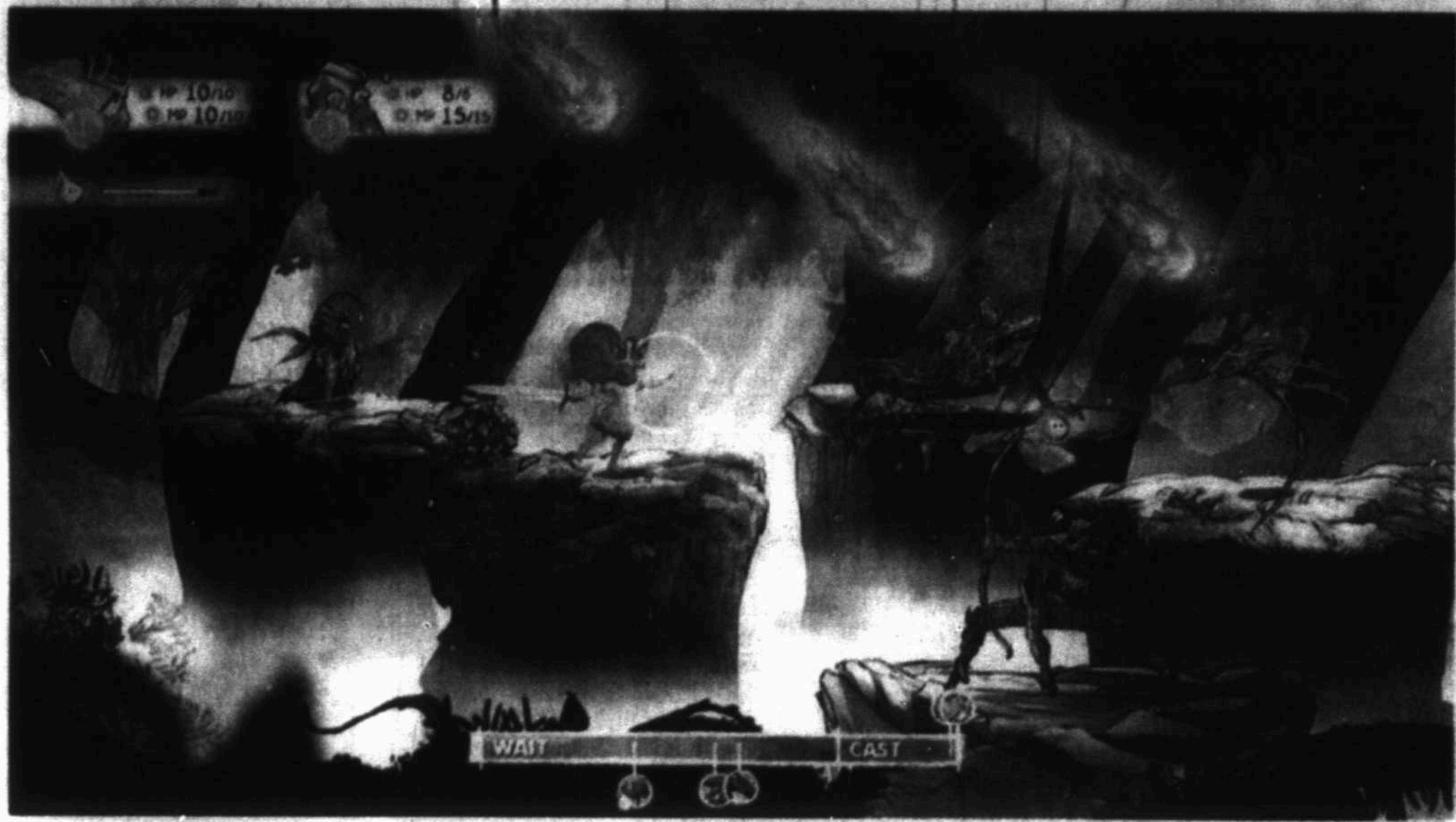
As part of its mobile, people-first focus, Facebook says it will let users log in to apps anonymously, without sharing their identities and personal information with mobile applications they don't trust.

Facebook's 1.28 billion users can already use a "log in with Facebook" button to sign up for apps that let them listen to music, play games, read the news and monitor fitness activities. But using the button allows apps to access information related to the Facebook user's identity.

With the anonymous login, Facebook will have information about users but the apps won't. Facebook says the feature will let more people to try out new apps.

The company is also launching more granular controls that let people determine the types of information they share with apps when they want to use their Facebook identity to log in.

Facebook also took the wraps off its long-awaited mobile advertising network, called "Audience Network," which allows it to serve ads to outside mobile applications, not just its own. This will increase its competition with Google, which currently dominates the mobile advertising market.



This photo provided by Ubisoft shows a scene from the video game, "Child of Light."

'Child of Light' a luminous fairy tale

By Lou Kesten
Associated Press

REVIEW

"Child of Light" (Ubisoft, for the PlayStation 4, Xbox One, PlayStation 3, Xbox 360, Wii U, PC, \$14.99) doesn't look like any other video game. With its seemingly hand-drawn characters and watercolor backgrounds, it more closely resembles a children's picture book, the kind your mom would read to you before bedtime.

It's a fitting look, since "Child of Light" is an interactive fairy tale. It's the story of Aurora, a princess who is transported to a strange world called Lemuria where the sun, moon and stars have vanished. She's armed with an oversized sword and the ability to use light as a weapon. She can also fly, in slow and smooth motions that add to the game's dreamlike mood.

During her journey, Aurora meets a motley assortment of pilgrims, each of whom has lost something. A jester named Rubella is trying to find her brother; a dwarf named Finn has seen all his friends turned into crows; a prison guard named Oengus is trying to restore his lost honor.

Aurora's most dependable companion, though, is Igniculus, a firefly who floats by her side. The light

emitted by Igniculus can unlock doors and treasure chests. It can heal Aurora and her friends. And it can distract enemies long enough for Aurora and company to get in a few licks before being attacked.

That last skill comes in handy during the cleverly designed battles, which emphasize strategy over reflexes. Each character, friendly or hostile, is represented by an icon on a timeline; when the icon gets about 80 percent across, time stops and you're asked to choose an action. Some actions happen almost immediately, but if you want to cast a powerful spell, time slows to a crawl. Move too slowly and an opponent can sneak in and knock you off your game.

The turn-based battles will feel familiar to fans of role-playing games, but other elements are more RPG-lite. After almost every battle, Aurora or one of her friends levels up, slightly raising both offensive and defensive abilities. Each character gets points to spend on a skill tree, where you can upgrade stats or gain more powerful spells. I found the constant upgrades distracting, given that the differences between

levels are too small to make much of a difference.

RPG fans who enjoy trying new weapons and armor won't get that satisfaction here; each character is pretty much stuck with the equipment he or she begins with. And there's just one type of loot to collect: gems that, depending on their color, add fire, water or lightning to your attacks or defend against the same elements. There's a rudimentary crafting tool that lets you turn cheap jewelry into brilliant gems, but it gets old quick.

Your appreciation of "Child of Light" will depend on how much you enjoy its story, which leans heavily on fairy-tale clichés like the wicked stepmother. I also lost patience with the writers' insistence on telling the story in verse, leading to doggerel like "Now be strong, get ready for battle/I will free you from your shackle." It's cute at first, but soon becomes cloying.

Still, "Child of Light" gets much right, from its charmingly pugna-cious heroine to its distinctive images and music. It's an encouraging experiment from a big publisher like Ubisoft, and Lemuria is a world I'd be delighted to return to. Three stars out of four.

Jury says Samsung infringed Apple patents

Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif. — A California jury awarded Apple \$119 million — far less than it demanded — in a patent battle with Samsung over alleged copying of smart phone features, and the jury made the victory even smaller by finding that Apple illegally used one of Samsung's patents.

The verdict was a far cry from the \$2.2 billion Apple sought and the \$930 million it won in a separate 2012 trial making similar patent infringement claims against older Samsung products, most of which are no longer for sale in the United States.

The jury found that Apple had infringed one of Samsung's patents in creating the iPhone 4 and 5. Jurors awarded Samsung \$158,400, trimming that amount from the original \$119.62 million verdict. Samsung had sought \$6 million.

"Though this verdict is large by normal standards, it is hard to view this outcome as much of a victory for Apple," Santa Clara University law professor Brian Love said. "This amount is less than 10 percent of the amount Apple requested and probably doesn't surpass by too much the amount Apple spent litigating this case."

Survey: 'Heartbleed' spooks 39 percent of Internet surfers

By Michael Liedtke
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Most Americans who recently learned about a major breakdown in Internet security have been trying to protect themselves but a group nearly as large is unaware of the threat, according to a new survey.

The findings released Wednesday by the Pew Research Center provide a gauge on how Web surfers have been responding to a computer bug nicknamed "Heartbleed."

The flaw in a key piece of security technology used by more than 500,000 websites had been exposing online passwords and other sensitive data to potential theft for more than two years.

After word of the problem got out on April 7, affected websites began to close the Heartbleed loophole and security specialists recommended that Web surfers change their online passwords as a precaution.

That advice apparently resonated among those who read about in the extensive media coverage of the Heartbleed risks.

Passwords were changed or online accounts were closed by 39 percent of the Internet users in Pew's telephone survey of 1,501 adults taken in the U.S. from April 23-27.

But 36 percent of the Internet users participating in the survey hadn't heard about Heartbleed at all.

The almost equal division between people insulating themselves from Heartbleed and those unaware of the problem shows there is still a knowledge gap even as the Internet and mobile devices make it quicker and easier to find all kinds of information.

"There are some people who are pretty tuned in and are in an action frame of mind and then there others that don't know about the news that is breaking," said Lee Rainie, director of Pew Re-

Microsoft patches IE

Microsoft is releasing a security update for Internet Explorer that closes a gap that allowed attackers to take complete control of a computer. It also issued the update to Windows XP users, despite dropping support for the older operating system last month.

The update went live at 8 a.m. Thursday. Adrienne Hall, general manager of Microsoft Trustworthy Computing, said in a statement that the company decided to fix the problem quickly for all customers, saying it takes the security of its products "incredibly seriously."

Microsoft reported the problem Saturday, saying it was aware of "limited, targeted attacks" and that the vulnerability affected Internet Explorer versions 6 through 11.

The company said users with automatic updates enabled don't need to take any action.

Associated Press

search's Internet Project.

Better educated and more affluent Internet users tended to pay the most attention to Heartbleed. Roughly three-fourths of the Internet users aware of Heartbleed had college educations and lived in households with annual incomes of at least \$75,000, according to Pew.

Although Heartbleed stories appeared for several days online and in print publications, most websites bitten by the bug didn't send warnings to their users.

Major banking websites and other widely trafficked websites weren't affected by Heartbleed, factors that Rainie said may have caused many people to pay less attention to the media's coverage of the bug.

Only 19 percent of the survey respondents said they had heard "a lot" about Heartbleed. By comparison, 46 percent said they had heard "a lot" about the escalating tensions between Russia and Ukraine.

How to reach a human for DSL bill problem

By Omar L. Gallaga
Cox Newspapers

A reader, Ogeal, asks about an Internet billing issue: "For seven years I have had Internet service for \$20 per month with AT&T and BellSouth. I now have my present bill, which has increased to \$46 for FastAccess DSL. Can you tell me what this means and do I need it? I did not order it. It takes hours to talk to a human at AT&T."

Any sudden jump in your bill will probably require you to get in contact with the company to sort it out. The good news is that, there are a few shortcuts. The website Get Human

(gethuman.com) allows you to search for the name of a company and lists ways to bypass or quickly zip through automated phone menus. AT&T and BellSouth are both included on the site.

If a phone call is still too time-consuming, you could try initiating a live computer chat (available on the customer support pages of some company websites), sending an email or showing up in person if the company has a local office or retail store. Some have more success contacting customer support via social media services such as Twitter or Facebook. Make sure to have your bill's account number handy.

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Rangers' bats come alive for Darvish in victory

By Joe Resnick
Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Prince Fielder fought his way out of a slump just the way manager Ron Washington predicted he would — by driving the ball where no shift could get in the way.

Fielder had a pair of RBI doubles to end a drought of 39 at-bats without an extra-base hit, and the Texas Rangers trounced the Los Angeles Angels 14-3 on Sunday.

"I was just trying to go up there with an approach and not really worry about the result. And good results happened today," the five-time All-Star first baseman said. "I haven't been pressing, but anytime you're not doing what you know you

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can do, it's definitely frustrating."

The Rangers built a 5-2 lead after two innings with Fielder's identical doubles — both line drives over the head of first baseman C.J. Cron and just inside the foul line.

"Prince is seeing the ball much better, and it looked like he's beginning to get his timing again," Washington said. "He swung down on the ball today. He's not attacking. He's letting the ball come to him, letting his hands work, and then just putting his bat head on it. That shift they used on him wasn't going to hold none of that stuff he hit today."

Yu Darvish (2-1) worked into the seventh inning to earn his first vic-

tory in almost a month. The right-hander shrugged off first-inning homers by Erick Aybar and Albert Pujols to win for the first time since his season debut on April 6 at Tampa Bay.

"Yu struggled the first couple of innings, but then he found something that worked and settled down," Washington said.

Darvish allowed three runs, seven hits and no walks in 6 1-3 innings, with nine strikeouts. His teammates scored three more runs than they totaled in his five previous starts combined. J.P. Arencibia hit his first home run and Michael Choice added a three-run shot.

"When you have your ace out

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Mark J. Terrill/AP

Texas' Michael Choice, left, is congratulated by manager Ron Washington, right, after hitting a three-run home run during the fourth inning Sunday against the Los Angeles Angels in Anaheim, California.

Sensational Spurs

Parker leads San Antonio past Mavs in Game 7

Spurs119
Mavericks98
San Antonio's wins series, 4-3.

Raul Dominguez
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Faced with the possibility of having a second straight season end with a Game 7 loss, the San Antonio Spurs played with emotion and let Tony Parker have some fun.

Parker scored 32 points and the San Antonio led by as many as 31 on its way to a 119-96 victory over the Dallas Mavericks, closing out a stressful first-round series Sunday in seven games.

The finale featured Tim Duncan diving into Dallas' bench to save a ball and the Spurs' reserves continually on their feet to celebrate baskets. But no one had as much fun or hit the floor more than Parker.

The All-Star point guard was 11 for 19 from the field and 10 for 13 on free throws as Dallas was unable to keep him from attacking the lane, despite a series of hard fouls.

"I just knew that I had to be aggressive if we wanted to have a chance to win the game because of the strategy that the Mavericks chose," Parker said. "They just dared me to score."

Manu Ginobili scored 20 points, Danny Green added 16 points and Tim Duncan and Kawhi Leonard had 15 points apiece for San Antonio.

Dirk Nowitzki had 22 points and nine rebounds to lead Dallas.

Last season ended for the Spurs with a Game 7 loss in the NBA Finals against the Miami Heat. Facing a much earlier end, San Antonio rode a raucous home crowd and overwhelmed Dallas.

San Antonio advances to face the fifth-seeded Portland Trail Blazers, who upset the Houston Rockets in a six-game series. The series opens Tuesday in San Antonio.

The Spurs got off to a quick start as they had done at home all series, but the Mavericks were unable to respond as they did in winning Game 2 on the road.

Leonard's 16-foot jumper gave San Antonio an 18-7 lead



Eric Gay/AP

San Antonio Spurs' Tony Parker goes up for a basket during the first half of Game 7 of the Spurs' opening-round series against the Dallas Mavericks on Sunday in San Antonio.

Please see SPURS/3C

Lady Chaps eliminated by Howard

Hawks7
Lady Chaparrals1

From staff reports

LUBBOCK — The Midland College softball team ended its season on Sunday with a 7-1 loss to Howard College in an elimination game of the NJCAA Region V West Tournament at Rocky Johnson Field.

The Lady Chaparrals (31-23) were forced into the loser's bracket after losing 6-2 to Odessa College on Saturday night in the semifinal.

Odessa College ended up winning the championship with a 9-1 run-rule victory in six innings over Howard College. The Lady Wranglers (49-10) will make their second straight trip to the NJCAA National Tournament in St. George, Utah, on March 14-17.

The Lady Chaps were held to one run on five hits by Hawks pitcher Nicole Wilson.



Gomez

Please see LADY CHAPS/2C

'Hounds win with big 3rd inning

RockHounds4
RoughRiders2

From staff reports

FRISCO — A four-run third inning proved to be the difference for the Midland RockHounds in a 4-2 victory over the Frisco RoughRiders Sunday afternoon at Dr Pepper Ballpark.

The RockHounds had three hits in that third inning and also took advantage of a pair of walks and an error.

Chad Oberacker had an RBI double, Colin Walsh had an RBI groundout, Max Muncy had an RBI single and Dusty Coleman hit a pop-up RBI single to give the 'Hounds the early 4-0 advantage.

Andrew Werner (1-2) pitched five solid innings for Midland as he scattered two hits and struck out five.

The only runs for Frisco came



Werner

Please see ROCKHOUNDS/2C

Hamlin races to first Talladega Superspeedway win

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Denny Hamlin, winner of three races at Daytona that didn't count, finally has a points-paying victory at a restrictor-plate track.

Hamlin, who opened the season with a pair of wins in Daytona exhibition races only to finish second in the Daytona 300, was again sitting second in the closing laps Sunday at Talladega Superspeedway. But he won a drag race with leader Kevin Harvick on a restart with two laps remaining, and was out front when

NASCAR froze the field because of debris from an accident.

Hamlin let out a deep sigh when the yellow flag waved.

"Superspeedway win," he said on his radio. "With points! With points!"

Hamlin became the eighth winner in 10 races this season as drivers jockey to grab the 16 spots available in the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship. A victory conceivably gives a driver an automatic berth, and Joe Gibbs Racing now has both Hamlin and Kyle Busch eligible for the Chase.

It didn't appear that Hamlin had enough to beat Harvick, already a

two-time winner this season, until the final restart. Harvick didn't get the help he needed from behind, was hung out without any drafting partners, and Hamlin pulled out to a comfortable lead. Then an accident deep in the pack scattered debris, and NASCAR was forced to throw the caution when a bumper was seen laying on the surface.

The yellow prevented Greg Biffle from pulling out of line in an attempt to grab the victory away from Hamlin.

Clint Bowyer finished third, and

Please see TALLADEGA/5C



Rainer Ehrhard/AP

Denny Hamlin celebrates after winning the Aaron's 499 Sprint Cup race under caution race at Talladega Superspeedway on Sunday in Talladega, Alabama.

HOUNDWATCH

SATURDAY'S SCORE

Midland 4, Frisco 2

TODAY'S GAME

Midland at Frisco, 7:05 p.m., Dr Pepper Ballpark, Frisco

RADIO/INTERNET

www.mlb.com
KCRS (950 AM)

RECORDS

Midland 19-10, Frisco 18-12

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Frisco 2, Midland 1	Midland 4, Frisco 2	Midland at Frisco	Midland at Frisco	San Antonio at Midland

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

- WHAT'S ON TV**
- MLB**
St. Louis at Atlanta, 6 p.m., ESPN
Texas at Colorado, 7:30 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest
- NBA**
Playoffs, conference semifinals, Game 1, Washington at Indiana, 6 p.m., TNT
Playoffs, conference semifinals, Game 1, L.A. Clippers at Oklahoma City, 8:30 p.m., TNT
- NHL**
Playoffs, conference semifinals, Game 3, N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network
Playoffs, conference semifinals, Game 2, Los Angeles at Anaheim, 9 p.m., NBC Sports Network
- SOCCER**
Premier League, Crystal Palace vs. Liverpool, 1:55 p.m., NBC Sports Network

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY
COLLEGE BASEBALL
UTPB at Lubbock Christian, 1 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

- BASEBALL**
- American League**
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Sent INF David Adams outright to Bowie (EL).
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Activated OF Moses Sierra. Assigned 3B Connor Gillaspie to Charlotte (IL). Optioned LHP Frank De Los Santos to Charlotte.
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Recalled OF Neyer Morgan from Columbus (IL). Optioned LHP Nick Hagadone to Columbus.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Activated LHP Tim Collins from the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Aaron Brooks to Omaha (PCL).
OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Claimed OF Nick Buss off waivers from the Los Angeles Dodgers and optioned him to Sacramento (PCL). Transferred RHP A.J. Griffin to the 60-day DL.
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Recalled RHP Nathan Karns from Durham (IL). Designated RHP Heath Bell for assignment.
- National League**
ATLANTA BRAVES — Activated RHP Gavin Floyd from the 15-day DL. Optioned LHP Ian Thomas to Gwinnett (IL).
- COLORADO ROCKIES** — Activated RHP Jhouly Chacin from the 15-day DL. Placed C Wilin Rosario on the 15-day DL, retroactive to May 3.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Recalled RHP Stephen File from Albuquerque (PCL). Optioned RHP Jose Dominguez to Albuquerque.
- American Association**
LAREDO LEMURS — Signed RHP Beth Litz and RHP Cesar Carrillo.
- Can-Am League**
NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Released INF Tim Pahuta.
- SOCCER**
Major League Soccer
VANCOUVER WHITECAPS — Agreed to terminate the contract of F. Kerry Miller.
- COLLEGE**
FLORIDA STATE — Reinstated RHP James Winston to the baseball team after being suspended following a shoplifting incident.

MLS STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE					
W	L	T	Pts	GF	
Sporting Kansas City	4	2	2	14	11
New England	4	3	2	14	9
New York	3	2	5	14	14
Columbus	3	2	3	12	10
D.C.	3	2	1	12	11
Houston	3	4	2	11	12
Toronto FC	3	4	0	5	7
Philadelphia	1	4	5	8	10
Montreal	1	4	3	6	7
Chicago	0	2	6	6	12

COLLEGE BASEBALL

SOUTHWEST				
W	L	T	Pts	GF
Missouri St.	10	1	0	30
Oklahoma St.	14	1	0	42
Ora Roberts	4	0	0	12
San Houston St.	18	0	0	54
TCU	21	0	0	63
Texas A&M-CC	11	1	0	33
Texas-Arlington	8	1	0	24
Texas-Pan American	13	0	0	39
Texas St.	6	1	0	18

AFL STANDINGS

NATIONAL CONFERENCE				
W	L	T	Pts	PF
Arizona	7	0	0	21
Los Angeles	2	5	0	6
San Antonio	1	7	0	3

FIGHT SCHEDULE

- Wednesday**
At Osaka, Japan, Animal Fluorocing vs. Kazuo Isha, 12, for Ryozen's IBF flyweight title; Katsunari Takayama vs. Shin Ono, 12, for Takayama's IBF strawweight title.
- Saturday**
At Le Guais, Venezuela, Johan Perez vs. Fernando Monte de Oca, 12, for Perez's interim WBA World light welterweight title.
At The Green Center, Los Angeles (ESPN), Bernabe Stiverne vs. Chris Arreola, 12, for the vacant WBC heavyweight title; Eric Molina vs. Delany Williamson, 10, heavyweights.
At Foxwoods, Massachusetts, Conn. (SHO), Joel Diaz Jr. vs. Tyler Asselino, 10, super featherweights.
At Montevideo (ESPN2), Dahn Rodriguez vs. Joaquin Alcaraz, 10, light middleweights.
At the Forum, Inglewood, Calif. (HBO), Juan Manuel Marquez vs. Mike Alvarado, 12, WBO welterweight eliminator.
At Turning Stone Casino & Casino Village, N.Y. (ESPN2), Brandon Adams vs. Willie Monroe Jr., 10, "Boxer" middleweight bout; Petr Petrov vs. Fernando Carrasco, 10, "Boxer" lightweight bout.
At Bell County, Kentucky (HBO), Adonis Stevenson vs. Andrew Cottrell, 12, for Stevenson's WBC light heavyweight title; Julian Williams vs. Michael Medina, 10, light middleweights; Michael Zamboni vs. Prince Doka Jr., 10, for the vacant NABF welterweight title; Artur Sargsyan vs. Jeff Leamy, 10, light heavyweights; Dexter Alvarez vs. Redwan Kalajdzic, 10, for the vacant WBC Silver light heavyweight title; David Lamotte vs. Fernando Guerrero, 10, middleweights; Jermell Charlo vs. Charlie Ota, 10, junior middleweights.
At American Bank Center, Corpus Christi (HBO), Bryant Jennings vs. Mike Perez, 12, WBC heavyweight eliminator; Daniel Geale vs. Matthew Macklin, 10, middleweights; Edwin Rodriguez vs. Marcus Johnson, 10, super middleweights.
At Tullis Gutierrez, Mexico, David Sanchez vs. Bradley Tavares, 12, for the vacant WBA junior bantamweight title.
At Acapulco, Mexico, Johnny Gonzalez vs. Chive Atwell, 12, for Gonzalez's WBC featherweight title.
May 31
At Macao, China, Shinya Wajima vs. Norito Domains, 12, for Wajima's WBA Super World featherweight title; Nicholas Walters vs. Alejandro Perez, 12, for Walters' WBA World featherweight title; Evgeny Gradovits vs. Alexander Malcherich, 12, for Gradovits' IBF featherweight title; Chris Aulds vs. Yastaba Ishimoto, 12, IBF junior featherweight eliminator.
At Krefeld, Germany, Felix Sturm vs. Sam Soliman, 12, for Sturm's IBF middleweight title.
At Havelly Stadium, London (HBO), Carl Froch vs. George Groves, 12, for Froch's IBF-WBA super middleweight title; Jamie McDonnell vs. Taboranbang Na Ratchawong, 12, for the vacant WBA World bantamweight title; Kevin Mitchell vs. Graham Skelton, 12, lightweights; James DeGale vs. Brandon Ginn, 12, super middleweights.
At Mexico City, Mexico, Sergio R. Rangel vs. Carlos Cuadras, 12, for Rangel's WBC super flyweight title.
June 1
At Moscow, Dimitry Chudinov vs. Patrick Nielsen, 12, for Chudinov's interim WBA World middleweight title.

LADY CHAPS

From 1C

The only run MC scored came in the second inning to tie the game at 1. Howard, though, responded with a three-run third inning to

take the lead for good. Corinna Liscano was 3-for-5 with a double and three runs scored for Howard (46-13), while Roselani Bloomfield was 2-for-4 with two RBI.

No Lady Chap had more than one hit and Kelcey Gomez scored the team's only run. Dominique Lozano Alcocer took the loss for MC in the circle.

HOWARD COLLEGE 7, MIDLAND COLLEGE 1

Howard — 100 120 9-7 8 1
Midland — 010 000 0-1 8 8

Nicole Wilson and Elizabeth Torres, Dominique Lozano Alcocer, Shelby Wassenaar (3) and Yessha Housam, W — Wilson, L — Lozano Alcocer, 2B — HC, Corinna Liscano.
Records: Midland College 31-23; Howard College 49-13

RockHounds

From 1C

against Murphy Smith in the eighth inning, but Seth Frankoff not only finished the eighth but closed out the game with a perfect ninth inning to earn his seventh save of the season. The teams, which have split the first two games, will play the third game

of the series beginning at 7:05 p.m. today at Dr Pepper Ballpark.

ROCKHOUNDS 4, ROUGHRIDERS 2

Midland	r	b	i	Frisco	a	b	r	b	i
Oberacher	4	1	1	Martinez	5	0	0	0	0
Wahle	5	0	1	Sardinas	5	0	0	0	0
Murphy	1	1	1	Odey	2	1	1	0	0
Alcott	1	0	1	Smolinski	1	0	0	0	0
Marie	3	0	0	Telle	3	0	0	0	0
Whitaker	1	0	0	Rus	4	0	0	0	0
Coleman	4	0	2	Adams	1	0	0	0	0
Nakajima	2	0	1	Grayson	1	0	0	0	0
Head	3	1	0	Cantwell	4	0	0	0	0
Forsythe	4	1	0						
Totals	36	4	6	Totals	35	2	2		

Midland — 004 000 000-4
Frisco — 000 000 000-2

E — Nakajima (1), Whitaker (3), Forsythe (1), Telle (3), LOO — Midland 10, Frisco 8, 2B — Oberacher (6), Alcott (1), Telle (4).
SB — Telle (4).

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Werner W. 1-2	5.0	2	0	0	0
Smith	2.2	5	2	2	2
Frankoff S. 7	1.1	0	0	0	0

Cabrera L. 1-1 4.1 3 4 2 4 6
Borres 1.2 1 0 0 0 0
Kela 2.0 2 0 0 1 4
Fort 1.0 1 0 0 0 1

WP — Werner.
T — 2:57 A — 10:15A.

Texas League

First half

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	15	15	.500	—
Arkansas	14	16	.467	1
Springfield	14	16	.467	1
NW Arkansas	11	19	.367	4

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Frisco	18	12	.600	1 1/2
Corpus Christi	15	15	.500	4 1/2
San Antonio	13	16	.448	6

Sunday's Scores
San Antonio 6, Corpus Christi 4
Midland 4, Frisco 2
Arkansas 5, Northwest Arkansas 3
Texas 7, Springfield 5
Today's Games
Texas at Springfield, 11:10 a.m.
Arkansas at Northwest Arkansas, 7:05 p.m.
Midland at Frisco, 7:05 p.m.
San Antonio at Corpus Christi, 7:10 p.m.

Mayweather escapes to fight another night

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Floyd Mayweather Jr. was all smiles as he headed up an escalator with his large entourage, turning to flash a thumbs-up at fans greeting him. Mayweather escaped to fight another night, and the fight may be against the man who came closest to handing him the first defeat of his 16-year pro career. Marcos Maidana nearly did what 45 other fighters couldn't, taking the fight to Mayweather before losing a 12-round majority decision that angered both the Argentine and the fans at MGM Grand arena. Mayweather was hit more than any bout in his career, and needed to rally from the middle rounds on to keep his unbeaten record. Maidana called the richest fighter in the world an ordinary boxer and said he deserved a rematch in September.



Isaac Brakken/AP
Marcos Maidana, left trades blows with Floyd Mayweather Jr. in their WBC-WBA welterweight title fight Saturday in Las Vegas.

"If the fans want to see us do it again, we'll do it again," Mayweather said. Maidana threw twice as many punches, but Mayweather was more efficient in landing more than half his shots in a fight where the 37-year-old was tested to the limit. Mayweather won five of the last seven rounds on two scorecards and six of the last seven on the third to pull out the win. Bleeding from a cut by his right eye from a head butt in the fourth round that he said blinded him for two rounds, Mayweather had to reach deep into his bag of tricks to salvage what

had been expected to be a relatively easy \$32-million pay day against the 6-1 underdog. Maidana landed more punches against Mayweather than any fighter ever had, showering him with overhand rights that often found their mark on the top of his head. Mayweather countered with straight right hands and left hooks, but was never able to hurt his challenger in the welterweight title fight. Mayweather said he decided to stand inside and fight Maidana to please the fans. "I was in a tough competitive fight," May-

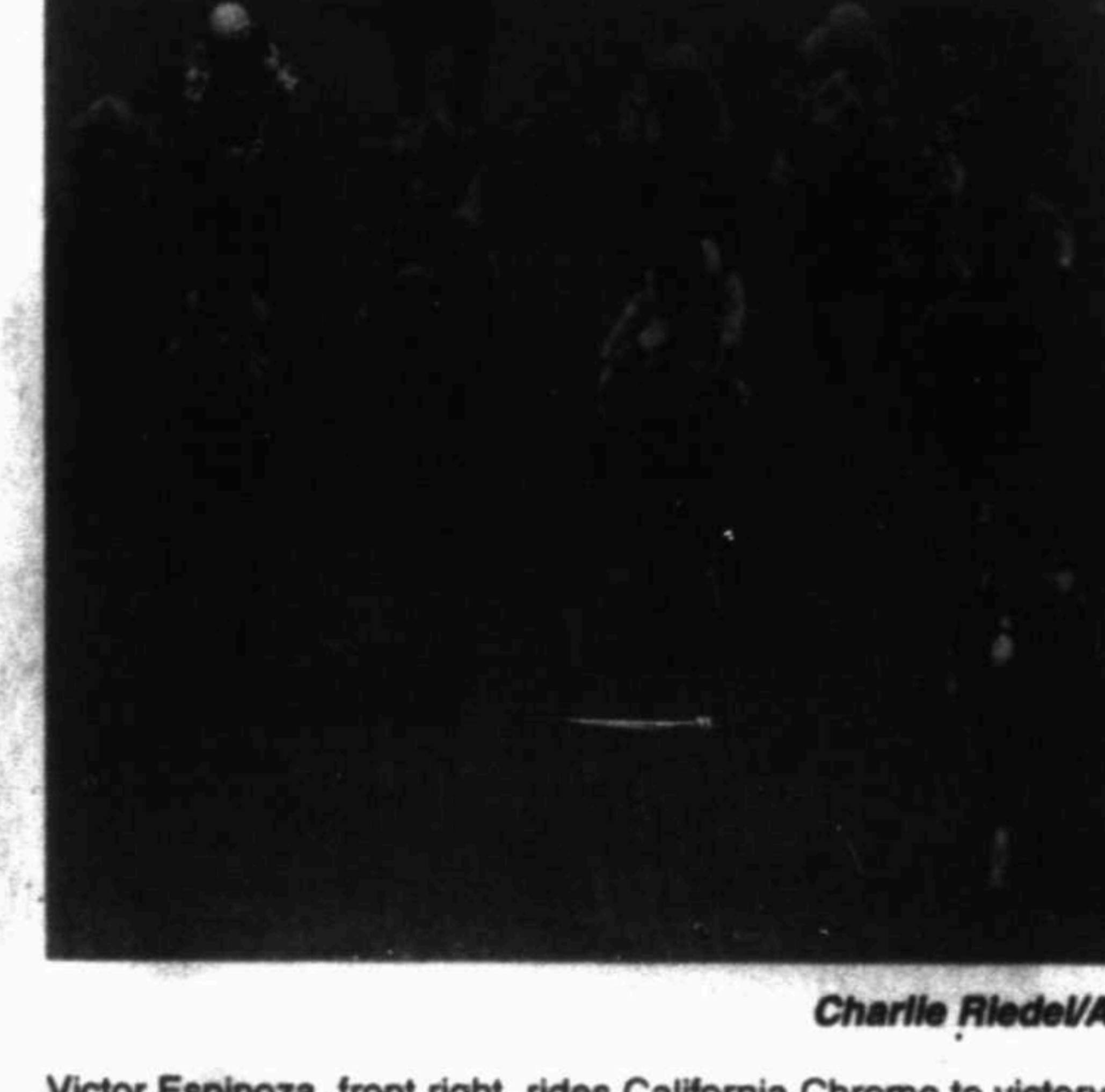
weather said. "I normally like to go out there and box and move. But he put pressure on me, so that's when I decided I'd make it competitive and fight differently. I wanted to give the fans what I know they wanted to see, so I stood there and fought him." In the end, though, Mayweather got the win — just as he did in his previous 45 fights. The decision was met with disbelief by Maidana and booed heavily by the crowd. He retained his welterweight title by winning 117-111 on one scorecard and 116-112 on another. A third judge

had it even at 114-114. The Associated Press scored it for Mayweather, 115-113. Mayweather is in the middle of a six-fight deal with the Showtime network and is supposed to fight again in September. The one possible opponent other than Maidana would be Amir Khan of England, who looked good in his welterweight debut on the same card when he won a decision over Luis Collazo. But Kahn can't fight in September because his training would be interrupted by the Muslim holiday Ramadan.

Derby winner California Chrome heads to Preakness

By Beth Harris
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Art Sherman has never had a big operation or wealthy clients who infused cash and horses into his stable. But the 77-year-old trainer can now say he won the Kentucky Derby. A day after California Chrome raced to a 1 3/4-length victory as the 5-2 favorite in the Derby, Sherman and his star horse received a stream of visitors at Churchill Downs. "It's pretty cool, I can tell you," he said Sunday. "Beating all the big boys, and maybe they had their doubts that this horse wasn't a runner, but when you run against him you find out. He's the real McCoy, this one." Now the oldest trainer to win the Derby and his horse are headed to Baltimore for the Preakness in two weeks, the next step on the Triple Crown trail. It will be Sherman's first trip to Maryland since 1959, when he was a jockey at the old Bowie Race Course. He rode some races at Laurel during his 23 years in the saddle, but has never visited Pimlico. Sherman plans to keep California Chrome at Churchill Downs before sending him to Baltimore, possibly on May 12. "Five days at Pimlico



Charlie Riedel/AP
Victor Espinoza, front right, rides California Chrome to victory during the 140th running of the Kentucky Derby on Saturday at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky.

ripe to try and knock off the Derby champ. Already other horses are lining up to take him on. Commanding Curve, the Derby runner-up, and seventh-place finisher Ride On Curlin could possibly show up in Baltimore, where the Preakness has a maximum field of 14. The possible new shooters include Pablo Del Monte, whose owners decided not to run in the Derby; Federico Tesio winner Kid Cruz; Illinois Derby winner Dynamic Impact; Bayern, trained by Bob Baffert; and Social Inclusion, who ran third in the Wood Memorial. Like his trainer, California Chrome typically stays close to home. The colt made his first trip out of state to run in the Derby. Sherman built a low-key but respected training operation first in the San Francisco Bay area and now in the Los Angeles area, but rarely travels outside the state to race. Still, he and his horse impressed some of racing's big-name trainers. "I thought he reflected Art Sherman," trainer Steve Asmussen said about California Chrome. "He wasn't overwhelmed by the situation, did what he did and went about his business as usual and looked like a winner every step of the race. I would expect him to be able to be in the best shape in two weeks."

Pierce's block leads Nets past Raptors

By Ian Harrison
Associated Press

TORONTO — Slowed by foul trouble and struggling with his shot, Paul Pierce still found a way to come up big for the Brooklyn Nets.

And, right when they needed him most. Pierce blocked Kyle Lowry's shot from the lane on the final play of the game, and the Nets held off the Toronto Raptors 104-103 in Game 7 on Sunday to advance to the second round of the playoffs.

"I just happened to be in the right place at the right time," Pierce said. "I saw him split the defenders, I saw him go up, I went up with him."

"I got my hand on the ball — game over."

The Nets will begin the conference semifinals at Miami on Tuesday night, facing the two-time defending NBA champion Heat.

Pierce had more fouls (three) than points (none) in the second half, but his only block of the game punctuated a hard-fought series win for the Nets.

Leading by one, Brooklyn used its final timeout after failing to inbound the ball. On the second opportunity,

Nets104
Raptors103
Brooklyn wins series, 4-3.

Shaun Livingston tried a lob pass to Pierce, but Terrence Ross got a hand on the ball and then knocked it off Pierce and out of bounds for a turnover.

"I rushed it a little bit," Livingston said. "I'm thinking Paul is going to hold him off. He kind of slipped there. Once he slipped, it was a jump ball and Terrence Ross is probably the last guy you want to throw a jump ball to."

Toronto used a timeout and gave the ball to Lowry, whose driving shot was blocked by Pierce as time expired. Lowry lay prone in the key as the Nets surged onto the court in celebration.

"I really didn't have a great offensive game," Pierce said. "I was in foul trouble for most of the night. Sometimes you've got to find ways to help your ballclub win."

Nets coach Jason Kidd said Brooklyn's defense "bent a little" but didn't break, thanks mostly to Pierce's clutch play.

"Paul said it best, that's why he's here, to make plays," Kidd said. "He didn't have a great game, but it only

takes one play to help a team win and that's what he did tonight."

Brooklyn went 4-0 against Miami in the regular season, but that didn't mean much to Brooklyn's Kevin Garnett.

"That goes out the window," he said. "This is the postseason. They're playing very well. They went right through Charlotte without a beat and they have a lot of confidence."

Joe Johnson scored 13 of his 26 points in the fourth quarter to lead the Nets. Marcus Thornton scored 17, Garnett had 12 points and 11 rebounds for his first double-double of the series, and Deron Williams added 13 points.

"Joe has kept us alive this whole series," Garnett said.

Amir Johnson fouled out with 20 points and 10 rebounds for Toronto, which trailed by 10 with just over six minutes remaining before storming back and having a chance to win it at the buzzer.

"They pushed us to the brink," Livingston said.

Lowry finished with 28 points and DeMar DeRozan 18 for the Raptors, who fell to 0-2 in franchise history when playing in a Game 7. Toronto lost Game 7 of the conference semifinals to Philadelphia in 2001.



Nathan Denette/The Canadian Press

Brooklyn forward Paul Pierce (34) celebrates with teammate Andray Blatche, right, after Pierce's block sent the Nets past the Toronto Raptors on Sunday in Game 7 of an opening-round playoff series in Toronto.

NBA PLAYOFF GLANCE AND BOXES

Series	Game	Time
FIRST ROUND (Best-of-7, if necessary)	EASTERN CONFERENCE	
	Indiana 4, Atlanta 3	
	Saturday, April 19: Atlanta 101, Indiana 93	7 p.m.
	Tuesday, April 22: Indiana 101, Atlanta 85	7 p.m.
	Thursday, April 24: Atlanta 98, Indiana 85	7 p.m.
	Saturday, April 26: Indiana 91, Atlanta 86	7 p.m.
	Monday, April 28: Atlanta 107, Indiana 97	7 p.m.
	Thursday, May 1: Indiana 95, Atlanta 88	7 p.m.
	Saturday, May 3: Indiana 92, Atlanta 80	7 p.m.
	Sunday, April 20: Miami 99, Charlotte 88	7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 23: Miami 101, Charlotte 97	7 p.m.	
Saturday, April 26: Miami 98, Charlotte 85	7 p.m.	
Monday, April 28: Miami 109, Charlotte 98	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, April 30: Toronto 115, Brooklyn 113	7 p.m.	
Friday, May 2: Brooklyn 97, Toronto 83	7 p.m.	
Sunday, Brooklyn 104, Toronto 103	7 p.m.	
Washington 4, Chicago 1	7 p.m.	
Sunday, April 20: Washington 102, Chicago 93	7 p.m.	
Tuesday, April 22: Washington 101, Chicago 99	7 p.m.	
Friday, April 25: Chicago 100, Washington 97	7 p.m.	
Sunday, April 27: Washington 98, Chicago 89	7 p.m.	
Tuesday, April 29: Washington 75, Chicago 69	7 p.m.	
WESTERN CONFERENCE		
San Antonio 4, Dallas 3		
Sunday, April 20: San Antonio 90, Dallas 85	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, April 23: Dallas 113, San Antonio 92	7 p.m.	
Saturday, April 26: Dallas 109, San Antonio 108	7 p.m.	
Monday, April 28: San Antonio 93, Dallas 89	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, April 30: San Antonio 109, Dallas 103	7 p.m.	
Friday, May 2: Dallas 113, San Antonio 111	7 p.m.	
Sunday, San Antonio 119, Dallas 96	7 p.m.	
Oklahoma City 4, Memphis 3	7 p.m.	
Saturday, April 19: Oklahoma City 100, Memphis 95	7 p.m.	
Monday, April 21: Memphis 111, Oklahoma City 105	7 p.m.	
Thursday, April 24: Memphis 98, Oklahoma City 95	7 p.m.	
Saturday, April 26: Oklahoma City 92, Memphis 89	7 p.m.	
Tuesday, April 29: Memphis 100, Oklahoma City 99	7 p.m.	
Thursday, May 1: Oklahoma City 104, Memphis 84	7 p.m.	
Saturday, May 3: Oklahoma City 120, Memphis 109	7 p.m.	
L.A. Clippers 4, Golden State 3	7 p.m.	
Saturday, April 19: Golden State 109, L.A. Clippers 105	7 p.m.	
Monday, April 21: L.A. Clippers 136, Golden State 98	7 p.m.	
Thursday, April 24: L.A. Clippers 98, Golden State 96	7 p.m.	
Sunday, April 27: Golden State 118, L.A. Clippers 97	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, April 29: L.A. Clippers 113, Golden State 103	7 p.m.	
Friday, May 1: Golden State 100, L.A. Clippers 99	7 p.m.	
Saturday, May 3: L.A. Clippers 126, Golden State 121	7 p.m.	
Portland 4, Houston 2	7 p.m.	
Sunday, April 20: Portland 122, Houston 120	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, April 23: Portland 112, Houston 105	7 p.m.	
Friday, April 25: Houston 121, Portland 116	7 p.m.	
Sunday, April 27: Portland 123, Houston 120	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, April 30: Houston 108, Portland 96	7 p.m.	
Friday, May 2: Portland 99, Houston 98	7 p.m.	
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS (Best-of-7, if necessary)		
EASTERN CONFERENCE		
Miami vs. Brooklyn		
Tuesday, May 6: Brooklyn at Miami, 6 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Thursday, May 8: Brooklyn at Miami, 6 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Saturday, May 10: Miami at Brooklyn, 7 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Monday, May 12: Miami at Brooklyn, 7 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, May 14: Brooklyn at Miami, TBD	7 p.m.	
Friday, May 16: Miami at Brooklyn, TBD	7 p.m.	
Sunday, May 18: Brooklyn at Miami, TBD	7 p.m.	
Indiana vs. Washington		
Tuesday, May 6: Washington at Indiana, 6 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Thursday, May 8: Washington at Indiana, 6 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Saturday, May 10: Indiana at Washington, 7 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Monday, May 12: Indiana at Washington, 7 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, May 14: Washington at Indiana, TBD	7 p.m.	
Friday, May 16: Washington at Indiana, TBD	7 p.m.	
Sunday, May 18: Indiana at Washington, TBD	7 p.m.	
WESTERN CONFERENCE		
San Antonio vs. Portland		
Tuesday, May 6: Portland at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Thursday, May 8: Portland at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Saturday, May 10: San Antonio at Portland, 9:30 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Monday, May 12: San Antonio at Portland, 9:30 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, May 14: Portland at San Antonio, TBD	7 p.m.	
Friday, May 16: San Antonio at Portland, TBD	7 p.m.	
Monday, May 19: Portland at San Antonio, TBD	7 p.m.	
Oklahoma City vs. L.A. Clippers		
Tuesday, May 6: L.A. Clippers at Oklahoma City, 8:30 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Thursday, May 8: L.A. Clippers at Oklahoma City, 9:30 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Saturday, May 10: Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.	7 p.m.	
Monday, May 12: L.A. Clippers at Oklahoma City, TBD	7 p.m.	
Wednesday, May 14: L.A. Clippers at Oklahoma City, TBD	7 p.m.	
Friday, May 16: Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, TBD	7 p.m.	
Sunday, May 18: L.A. Clippers at Oklahoma City, TBD	7 p.m.	
SUNDAY'S BOXES		
SPURS 119, MAVERICKS 96		
DALLAS (96): Manon 2-5 1-2 5 Nowitzki 8-21 6-22 Dierken 1-3 0-0 2 Calderon 2-8 0-4 4-4 Ellis 3-11 4-4 12 Carter 4-12 0-0 10 Blair 4-5 0-8 Harris 6-10 2-2 17 Wright 3-4 0-0 6 Crowder 1-4 0-2 Larkin 0-1 0-0 0 Ellington 2-2 2-8 B.James 0-0 0-0 0 Totals 36-88 15-17 96		
SAN ANTONIO (119): Leonard 7-14 0-1 15 Duncan 7-8 1-2 15 Spiller 0-0 1-2 Parker 1-1 1-10 13-32 Green 5-7 2-16 Daw 3-5 2-2 8 Ginobili 5-7 8-9 20 Belinelli 2-4 0-5 Mills 2-8 1-2 7 Baynes 0-0 0-0 0 Bonner 0-0 0-0 0 Joseph 0-0 0-0 0 Ayres 0-2 0-0 0 Totals 42-74 25-33 119		
Dallas 33 23 22 28 — 96	San Antonio 35 33 26 25 — 119	
3-Point Goals—Dallas 9-25 (Harris 3-3) Ellington 2-4 Ellis 2-6 Carter 2-6 Manon 0-1 Crowder 0-1 Nowitzki 0-2 Calderon 0-2 San Antonio 10-24 (Green 4-6 Ginobili 2-3 Mills 2-6 Belinelli 1-2 Leonard 1-5 Parker 0-1 Daw 0-1) Fouled Out—None Rebounds—Dallas 46 Nowitzki 9 San Antonio 48 (Duncan 8) Assists—Dallas 21 (Carter Calderon 4) San Antonio 21 (Daw Ginobili 5) Total Fouls—Dallas 21 San Antonio 21 Technicals—Dallas Coach Carlos Parker Flagrant Fouls—Blair Crowder 4-18 581-18 797		
NETS 104, RAPTORS 103		
BROOKLYN (104): J.Johnson 11-25 3-5 26 Pierce 4-10 0-0 10 Garnett 5-8 2-3 12 Williams 3-8 7-10 13 Anderson 2-6 0-0 5 Blatche 4-7 1-2 9 Thornton 4-8 5-6 17 Kurlerink 0-0 0-0 Plumlee 0-1 2-2 2 Livingston 4-5 2-2 10 Teleovc 0-3 0-0 0 Totals 37-81 22-30 104		
TORONTO (103): Ross 5-12 1-3 11 A.Johnson 9-12 2-2 20 Vanoucnas 1-5 1-1 3 Lowry 7-19 12-14 28 DeRozan 5-12 7-18 Patterson 5-6 6-16 Vasquez 1-3 0-2 Salmon 1-3 0-3 Fields 0-0 0-0 Hayes 1-2 0-2 2 Totals 35-73 29-33 103		
Brooklyn 26 35 20 23 — 104	Toronto 28 25 20 30 — 103	
3-Point Goals—Brooklyn 8-23 (Thornton 4-6 Pierce 2-4 Anderson 1-4 Johnson 1-5 Williams 0-1 Teleovc 0-3) Toronto 4-13 (Lowry 2-4 DeRozan 1-2 Salmon 1-3 Vasquez 0-1) Ross 0-3) Fouled Out—A.Johnson Rebounds—Brooklyn 51 (Garnett 11) Toronto 43 (A.Johnson 10) Assists—Brooklyn 16 (Williams, J.Johnson 4) Toronto 13 (DeRozan 6) Total Fouls—Brooklyn 26 Toronto 27 Technicals—Garnett DeRozan 4-20 457-19 800		



Associated Press

San Antonio's Manu Ginobili (20) is fouled by Dallas' Wayne Ellington (21) as Ginobili tries to score during the second half of Game 7 of an opening-round playoff series Sunday in San Antonio.

SPURS

From 1C

6 minutes into the game and the lead swelled to 29 with 2 minutes remaining in the first half.

"We gave ourselves a chance but today we got hit by a tidal wave early," Dallas coach Rick Carlisle said. "They had their best game today and we just weren't able to do quite enough to stay in it early."

"It's hard when you get hit with an onslaught early the way the guys did."

Nowitzki struggled through much of the series, but the Mavericks pushed the Spurs to the brink of elimination behind strong postseason performances from Monta

Ellis, Vince Carter, Devin Harris and DeJuan Blair.

"On the court what confounded us was that they've got shooters all the way around," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "Dirk Nowitzki gets a crowd, if you double him you, you leave a lot of other open shooters. So we played him pretty much one-on-one, so we could stay at home a little bit better. That and the ability to shoot it; spread the floor; run the sets that Rick does and the speed of Harris and Ellis was tough for us to handle."

Dallas also played a physical series.

There were two technical fouls and two flagrant fouls in Game 7 and two

more flagrant fouls reversed upon review.

Parker was assessed a technical with 31.6 seconds left in the first quarter after making a layup on and jawing with former teammate Blair as the two ran down the court. The two had been talking to each other all series and Parker was clearly frustrated at times with the hard fouls committed by Blair on his drives earlier in the series.

But Parker said it was all in good fun.

"I was just laughing with DeJuan," Parker said of the technical. "That's why it was so funny to get a technical for that, because I was not even cursing at him. DeJuan

played four years (for the Spurs). He lived for a year at my house. I love DeJuan."

Blair was later assessed a flagrant foul for elbowing Ginobili in the face on a drive. After the foul, Blair stared down Popovich, who was screaming at officials over the severity of the foul.

The flagrant foul energized the Spurs, who went on a 14-2 run to take a 51-27 lead with 8 minutes remaining in the first half.

"Everybody was active and kind of focused," Duncan said. "We had very little mistakes."

San Antonio never led by less than 14 points in the second half.

NHL PLAYOFFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

ROUNDUP

PENGUINS 3 RANGERS 0

PITTSBURGH — Kris Letang broke a scoreless tie in the second period, and Marc-Andre Fleury made 22 saves for his seventh playoff shutout to lift the Pittsburgh Penguins to a 3-0 victory over the New York Rangers on Sunday night, tying the second-round series one game apiece.

Letang's 15th career postseason goal matched Larry Murphy's record for Penguins defensemen. Jussi Jokinen scored during a third-period

power play, and Evgeni Malkin added an empty-net goal for the Penguins, who managed a home split in the first two games with the suddenly weary Rangers.

Game 3 is tonight in New York.

BLACKHAWKS 4 WILD 1

CHICAGO — Bryan Bickell had a goal and two assists, and Chicago beat Minnesota to take a 4-0 lead in the Western Conference semifinals.

Brandon Saad scored his

first two goals of the postseason, and Chicago earned its sixth consecutive win despite stretches of lacker play in the second and third periods.

Corey Crawford made 18 saves in another solid performance. Cody McCormick scored his second career playoff goal, but Minnesota missed another chance to steal home-ice advantage from the defending Stanley Cup champions.

Blackhawks are 16-2 in home postseason games over the last two years 5-0 at home in these playoffs.

GLANCE

Today: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 7: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, 8:30 p.m.

x-Friday, May 9: N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, TBD

x-Sunday, May 11: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, TBD

x-Tuesday, May 13: N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, TBD

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Chicago 2, Minnesota 0

Friday, May 2: Chicago 5, Minnesota 2

Sunday, Chicago 4, Minnesota 1

Tuesday, May 6: Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Friday, May 9: Chicago at Minnesota, TBD

x-Sunday, May 11: Minnesota at Chicago, TBD

x-Tuesday, May 13: Chicago at Minnesota, TBD

TBD

x-Thursday, May 15: Minnesota at Chicago, TBD

Los Angeles 1, Anaheim 0

Saturday, May 3: Los Angeles 3, Anaheim 2, OT

Today: Los Angeles at Anaheim, 9 p.m.

Thursday, May 8: Anaheim at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.

Saturday, May 10: Anaheim at Los Angeles, TBD

x-Monday, May 12: Los Angeles at Anaheim, TBD

x-Wednesday, May 14: Anaheim at Los Angeles, TBD

x-Friday, May 16: Los Angeles at Anaheim, TBD

Wright-Phillips lifts Red Bulls past FC Dallas

By Amit Kaluskar
Associated Press

FRISCO — Bradley Wright-Phillips scored in the 71st minute to help the New York Red Bulls beat FC Dallas 1-0 on Sunday.

New York extended its unbeaten streak to four games to improve to 3-2-5, and FC Dallas dropped to 5-3-1.

Thierry Henry assisted on the goal with a through ball from the top of the penalty box to Wright-Phillips, who fired a shot into center of the net from 6 yards. Wright-Phillips scored his sixth goal of the season and his fifth in the last three games.

"It's one of those things when you are scoring you get the luck of the green," Wright-Phillips said. "I'm just trying to get in the

Red Bulls 1
FC Dallas 0

right spot and focus and hit my target."

The Red Bulls played most of the game with a one-man advantage after Dallas' Je-Vaughn Watson was given a red card in the 10th minute for a hard foul on New York's Tim Cahill. Watson kicked Cahill in the lower stomach.

"It was a karate kick. I see those once or twice a year," Cahill said.

After the game in the locker room Cahill showed the red scratches on his stomach from the foul.

The two teams combined for four yellow cards on top of the red card.

"It was a combination of things," New York's Dax McCarty said. "It was a stone-cold red card, extremely chippy play in the

first half. In the second half it seemed the ref swallowed his whistle. I thought Dallas was very physical and did a lot of stuff off the ball that you don't necessarily want to see."

The game was the 100th career game for Henry, who registered his third assist of the season on the goal.

"I'm not thinking of the 100th game, today we did enough to win," Henry said. "They (Dallas) played better than us with only 10 men, it's difficult because Dallas did not deserve to lose."

Red Bulls goalkeeper Luis Robles made a diving save to his right side to stop Blas Perez's penalty attempt in the 58th minute. FC Dallas was awarded the penalty shot after Cahill was called for a foul on Danny Garcia.

Cano, Bloomquist lead Seattle over Astros

Mariners..... 8
Astros..... 7

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Seattle Mariners couldn't do anything against Houston's Collin McHugh in his first start against them this season.

Sunday's game was a lot different.

Robinson Cano and Willie Bloomquist each drove in two runs, and the Mariners pulled away in a four-run third inning to beat the Astros 8-7.

Bloomquist broke a 1-all tie with a two-run double against McHugh (2-1) and Cano followed with his first triple since June 3, 2012.

McHugh, who entered with a 0.59 ERA and 19 strikeouts in two starts, gave up six runs — five earned — and eight hits in four innings. He allowed three hits and struck out 12 in 6 2-3 scoreless innings against Seattle on April 22.

"We had no knowledge of him the first time, and the young man threw the ball pretty good," Seattle manager Lloyd McClendon said. "This time I thought we had better at-bats, gave him stressful at-bats. His pitch count was up, and we were able to take advantage of it."

Houston manager Bo Porter said McHugh struggled with his offspeed pitches Sunday.

"What you saw today was a Seattle Mariners team making an adjustment from the last time they faced him," Porter said. "He didn't have the sharpness to his breaking stuff like he did that day in Seattle."

Brandon Maurer (1-0) allowed four runs and six hits in five innings for his first win since Sept. 28 against Oakland.

McClendon was proud



Pat Sullivan/AP

Seattle's Michael Saunders (55) is forced out as Houston second baseman Jose Altuve loses the ball to miss the double play opportunity in the third inning Sunday in Houston.

of how Maurer got out of the fifth.

"It was a big inning in a lot of ways for him from a mental standpoint," McClendon said. "I think he learned a lot. And I think maybe he grew up a little bit."

Danny Farquhar allowed one run in two innings for his first save since Sept. 28 game. Farquhar allowed a two-out single to Jason Castro that pulled Houston within one run in the ninth, then struck out Matt Dominguez to end the game.

Alex Presley and Jonathan Villar homered, and Chris Carter and Marc Krauss had two RBIs apiece for the Astros, who lost for the seventh time in 10 games and dropped to a big league-worst 10-21.

It was the second straight game with a homer for Villar, who leads the team with five and his 14 extra-base hits are most among American League shortstops.

Cano hit an RBI groundout in the first after Michael Saunders singled leading off and took third on McHugh's errant pick-off throw, which went for

an error. Saunders is hitting .444 with four RBIs in four games in the leadoff spot.

Presley's leadoff homer tied the score in the second.

After Cano's triple, Corey Hart singled for a 5-1 lead in the third.

"Just not executing pitches very well is what it comes down to," McHugh said. "I just missed with a couple of pitches here and there. They put some good swings on it, and that really took the wind out of the sails in that third inning."

John Buck, who had three hits, doubled and scored on Saunders' single in the fourth. Buck had two doubles for his 10th career game with more than one double and first since July 20, 2010.

Carter, who entered with a .169 average, hit a two-run double in the fourth — three of his four homers and seven of his 12 RBIs have come off Mariners pitching.

Seattle boosted its lead to 7-3 in the fifth when Jerome Williams singled Dustin Ackley with the bases loaded. Villar homered in the bottom half.

American League

WHITE SOX 4 INDIANS 3
CLEVELAND — Dayan Viciedo hit a three-run homer in the ninth inning of John Axford, lifting the Chicago White Sox over the Cleveland Indians 4-3 Sunday and stopping a four-game losing streak.

Corey Kluber struck out a career-high 13 in eight innings, including a team-record seven straight. He allowed one run, three hits and two walks, leaving with a 3-1 lead.

Axford (0-2) walked Gordon Beckham leading off the ninth and struck out Jose Abreu, who hit his major league-leading 12th home run in the first. Adam Dunn walked, and Viciedo homered on a 96 mph fastball.

Daniel Webb (2-0) pitched the eighth, and Matt Lindstrom finished for his fourth save.

PLAYERS 5

YANKEES 1
NEW YORK — Wil Myers had a three-run, inside-the-park homer on a drive off the top of the center-field fence and drove in four runs.

Erik Bedard (1-1) earned his first win as a starter since last June, allowing one run and six hits in six innings to help the Rays finish a 5-5 trip.

ATHLETICS 3 RED SOX 2

BOSTON — Yoenis Cespedes drove in the go-ahead run on an infield single with the bases loaded in the 10th off Chris Capuano (1-1) as Oakland averted a three-game sweep and completed a 5-5 trip. The hit drove in Jed Lowrie, who had doubled with two outs.

Jim Johnson (3-2) got a double-play grounder by Jonny Gomes to end the ninth and worked the 10th.

TIGERS 9 ROYALS 4

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Justin Verlander (4-1) took a no-hit bid into the sixth inning and won his fourth straight decision, helping Detroit complete a three-game sweep and extend its winning streak to a season-high five games. Billy Butler singled to right on a 1-2 pitch with two outs in the sixth, leaving him with a .432 average in 74 at-bats against the Detroit ace.

TRINOS 5 ORIOLAS 2

MINNEAPOLIS — Phil Hughes (3-1) gave up two runs and six hits in 6 1-3 innings to win his third straight

start. After a single by Nick Markakis starting the game, Hughes retired his next 14 batters.

Miguel Gonzalez (1-3) allowed three runs, six hits and four walks in 4 2-3 innings. Trevor Plouffe and Kurt Suzuki hit two-run doubles.

National League

GIANTS 4 BRAVES 1

ATLANTA — Brandon Crawford homered twice, and the San Francisco Giants beat Atlanta 4-1 Sunday to complete a three-game sweep that extended the Braves' losing streak to six — their longest since dropping eight straight in May 2012.

Madison Bumgarner (3-3) allowed one unearned run and three hits in six innings, striking out nine as the Giants won their fifth in a row. Santiago Casilla pitched the ninth for his first save.

MARLINS 5 DODGERS 4

MIAMI — Jeff Baker hit a winning double off the wall against Jamey Wright (2-2) with two outs in the ninth.

Right fielder Yasiel Puig retreated and made a leaping try for an acrobatic catch but slammed against the fence, and the ball deflected off it and hit him in the face. Puig collapsed to his stomach and was slow to rise; he passed a concussion test and Los Angeles said he is day to day.

METS 5 ROCKIES 1

DENVER — Dillon Gee (3-1) allowed six hits in six innings, extending his scoreless streak to a career-best 16 innings as New York avoided a four-game sweep. He is 13-6 with a 2.66 ERA since last May 30.

After wasting a 6-0 lead in Saturday's 11-10 loss, the Mets jumped to a 4-0 lead after four innings.

PHILLIES 1 NATIONALS 0

PHILADELPHIA — Robert Hernandez (2-1) allowed four hits in 7 1/3 innings.

Jimmy Rollins hit a one-out triple in the first and scored on Chase Utley's single off Gio Gonzalez (3-2), who gave up four hits and struck out seven in 7 1/3 innings.

REDS 4 BREWERS 3

CINCINNATI — Chris Heisey scored from first on Todd Frazier's 10th-inning double into the left-field corner off Tyler Thornburg (3-1). Cincinnati took three of four against Milwaukee, which is

still a big league-best 21-11. Brandon Phillips greeted reliever Brandon Kintzler with a tying 425-foot homer to center in the eighth, Phillips' first home run since April 5.

CARDINALS 5 CUBS 4

CHICAGO — Yadier Molina drove in two runs with a two-out single in the ninth inning and the St. Louis Cardinals snapped out of an offensive funk with a 5-4 victory over the Chicago Cubs on Sunday night.

The defending National League champions had lost four of five to fall a game below .500. The Cardinals scored all their runs with two outs.

PADRES 4 DIAMONDBACKS 3

SAN DIEGO — Cameron Maybin reached base after an overturned umpire's call, then scored on Yonder Alonso's slow grounder in the ninth off Oliver Perez (0-1) as San Diego stopped a four-game losing streak. Maybin started the winning rally with a chopper to second and was initially called out before the call was overturned on a video review. Huston Street (1-0) pitched the ninth for the win.

Interleague BLUE JAYS 7 PIRATES 2

PITTSBURGH — Colby Rasmus hit a grand slam and Melky Cabrera added a two-run homer. Toronto jumped ahead 6-1 after wasting a 5-3, ninth-inning edge in the series opener and a 5-0, fourth-inning advantage Saturday night.

Dustin McGowan (2-1) pitched three-hit ball for seven innings, allowing one run and striking out five as the Blue Jays won for the fourth time in 13 games.

SATURDAY'S LATE TEXAS SCORE ANGELS 5 RANGERS 3

ANAHEIM, Calif. — C.J. Cron hit an RBI single on the first pitch he saw in the major leagues, doubled his second time up and hit a tiebreaking RBI single in the sixth inning to lead the Angels to a victory over the Rangers.

Howie Kendrick capped his first four-hit game of the season with an RBI double in the ninth and scored two runs. Right-hander Garrett Richards (3-0) allowed three runs and nine hits over six innings with two walks and a career-high nine strikeouts after three straight no-decisions.

RANGERS

From 1C

there, you want to support him and get him some runs so he can have a breather," said third baseman Adrian Beltre, who had an RBI single among his three hits. "Today we did that, and hopefully we can do it more often because he always gives us a good chance to win ballgames."

Darvish is 7-1 with a 3.82 ERA in 11 career starts against the Angels and has won his last six decisions against them.

"He owns us, pretty much," Pujols said. "That's how he's been pitching the last three years I've been here. He was being pretty aggressive in the strike zone and he mixed

his pitches pretty well. We have to figure out next time how to beat him."

Pujols shrugged off an 0-2 pitch by Darvish that glanced off the front of his helmet in the fifth inning as he closed his eyes and turned his head to the right. He remained in the game after a trainer checked on him at first base.

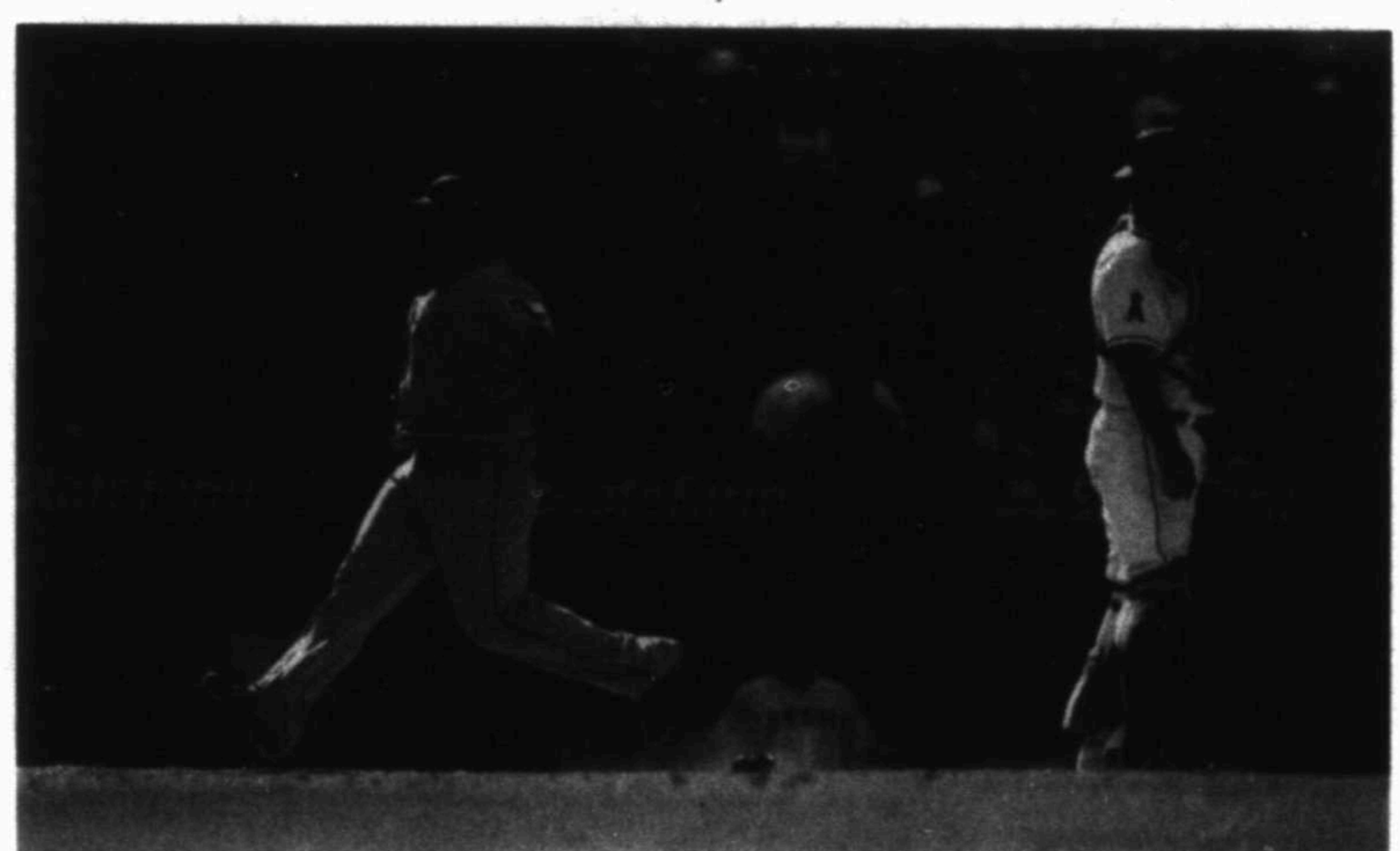
"I was just lucky I got out of the way at the right time. I'm just glad nothing crazy happened," Pujols said. "If he was going to hit me intentionally with the score 9-2, then he's an idiot. But I don't think that happened. The ball just slipped out of his hand, and that's it. Believe me, if I would have known that was on purpose, I would

have charged the mound. But I don't think anything like that happened."

Angels starter Tyler Skaggs (2-1) lasted 2 2-3 innings in the shortest of his 19 big league starts, giving up six runs.

Arencibia, who hit a bases-loaded sacrifice fly in the first, made it 6-2 in the third with his homer to left-center. Choice, who had four RBIs, increased the margin to 9-2 in the fourth with his homer against Kevin Jepsen.

Alex Rios capped a five-run ninth with a two-out bases-loaded triple against Nick Maronde. All five runs were unearned after right fielder Collin Cowgill dropped Josh Wilson's fly-ball for a two-base error.



Mark J. Terrill/AP

Texas' Prince Fielder, left, scores as Los Angeles Angels catcher Hank Conger looks on at a triple by Alex Rios during the ninth inning of Sunday's game in Anaheim, California.

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES AND LINESCORES

STANDINGS				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
New York	16	14	533	—
Baltimore	15	14	517	1/2
Boston	15	17	469	2
Tampa Bay	15	17	469	2
Toronto	14	17	452	2 1/2
Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Detroit	17	9	654	—
Minnesota	14	15	483	4 1/2
Chicago	15	17	469	5
Kansas City	14	16	467	5
Cleveland	13	18	419	6 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Oakland	17	12	513	—
Texas	17	14	548	2
Los Angeles	15	15	500	3 1/2
Seattle	14	15	483	4
Houston	10	21	323	9

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
San Francisco	20	11	645	—
Colorado	19	14	576	2
Los Angeles	18	14	563	2 1/2
San Diego	14	18	438	6 1/2
Arizona	11	23	324	10 1/2
Sunday's Scores				
Miami 5, L.A. Dodgers 4	Atlanta 4, Philadelphia 2	Pittsburgh 2, Toronto 0	Washington 0, San Diego 4	
Arizona 3, Cincinnati 4	Arizona 3, N.Y. Mets 5	Colorado 1, N.Y. Mets 5	Chicago Cubs 4, St. Louis 5	
Today's Games				
L.A. Dodgers (Greene 5-0) at Washington	Zimmermann 2-1, 6:05 p.m.	San Francisco (Pett 2-1) at Pittsburgh (Locke 0-0), 6:05 p.m.	Toronto (Happ 0-0) at Philadelphia (Kendrick 0-2), 6:05 p.m.	
N.Y. Mets (Niese 2-2) at Miami (Ewald 2-1), 6:10 p.m.	St. Louis (Miller 3-2) at Atlanta (Haring 3-2), 6:10 p.m.	Chicago White Sox (Quintana 1-2) at Chicago Cubs (Samardzija 0-3), 7:05 p.m.	Arizona (Belinger 1-1) at Milwaukee (Garza 1-3), 7:10 p.m.	
Texas (Perez 4-1) at Colorado (Lyles 3-0), 7:40 p.m.	Kansas City (Ventura 2-1) at San Diego (Suits 1-3), 9:10 p.m.			
SUNDAY'S AL WEST BOXES				
RANGERS 14, ANGELS 3		Los Angeles		
Choo dh	3 2 2 0	Youtz dh	5 1 3 1	
Ortiz pf	6 1 0 1	Arout cf	3 0 0 1	
Albritt 3b	5 3 3 1	Pujols dh	3 1 1 1	
Fielder 1b	4 3 3 2	Barnes cf	3 0 0 0	
Piles rf	5 0 1 3	Hendro 2b	4 0 0 0	
Choice of	5 1 2 4	Isbert 2b	4 0 0 0	
Arreola c	4 2 2 2	Cron 1b	4 0 2 0	
JoWhan 2b	5 1 0 0	Conger c	3 1 1 0	
Andrews 3	3 1 1 1	JMcCrif ph	1 0 0 0	
Conger lf	3 0 1 0	Green ph	1 0 1 0	
Waller 1b	1 0 1 0	Green ph	1 0 1 0	
Totals	49 14 14 14	Totals	34 9 9 9	
Texas		Los Angeles		
W	L	Pct	GB	
Atlanta	17	13	567	—
Washington	17	14	548	1/2
New York	16	14	533	1
Philadelphia	15	14	517	1 1/2
Miami	15	15	518	1 1/2
Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Minnesota	21	11	656	—
St. Louis	18	16	520	5
Cincinnati	15	16	484	5 1/2
Pittsburgh	12	19	387	9 1/2
Chicago	11	18	379	10 1/2

MARINERS 8, ASTROS 7				
Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
MInrds dh	5 1 2 1	Altuve 2b	4 1 1 0	
BIngrt ss	5 1 1 2	Fowler cf	5 0 1 0	
Cano 2b	5 1 2 2	JCastro c	4 1 2 1	
Hart dh	5 1 2 1	Hoes pr	0 0 0 0	
Almont pr-dh	0 0 0 0	MInrn dh	5 1 1 0	
Seager 3b	4 0 0 0	Presley lf	3 2 2 1	
Smoltz 1b	5 0 1 0	Guzmth ph	3 0 1 0	
Romer rf	3 1 1 0	Krauss ph	0 0 1 2	
Adley lf	2 1 0 1	Springer cf	4 1 1 0	
Duck c	4 2 3 1	Carter 1b	4 0 1 2	
MInrzt 3b	4 0 0 0	Villar ss	4 1 1 1	
Totals	38 8 12 8	Totals	38 7 11 7	
MARIERS 8, ASTROS 7				
Seattle	104	110	010-8	
Houston	010	210	021-7	
E-McHugh (1), DP-Houston 1, LOB-Seattle 7, Houston 8, 2B-Bloomquist (1), Romero (4), Buck 2 (2), Abreu (8), McDermott (6), Presley (1), Carter (7), SB-Cano (1), HR-Presley (3), Villar (5), SB-Albritt (3).				
MARIERS 8, ASTROS 7				
Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
MInrn 1b	5 6 4 4	2 3	0	2
WInham 2b	2 0 0 0	0	0	0
Furush 3b	0 2 2 0	0	0	0
Fanghler 1b	2 3 1 1	0	0	0
Houston	4 8 6 5	1 4	1	1
McHugh L2-1	4 0 0 0	0	0	0
DDowns	1 1 0 0	0	0	0
Furush pitched to 2 batters in the 9th. HBP-by Williams (Romero), PB-Buck. T-3:30 A-34,996 (42,000).				
ATHLETICS 3, RED SOX 2, 10 INNINGS				
Oakland	ab	r	h	bi
Crip of	5 0 0 0	0	0	0
Laynie ss	5 1 1 0	Victoria 2b	5 0 0 0	
Drizin 3b	2 2 1 0	DOrtiz dh	4 0 0 0	
Mog 1b	4 0 2 1	Carp 1b	4 1 2 0	
Callap ph	0 0 0 0	JHerr pr	0 0 0 0	
Gentry rf	0 0 0 0	Najjar 1b	0 0 0 0	
Cedeno lf	5 0 1 0	Pryor c	4 1 2 1	
Jeon dh	5 0 1 0	Burgess 3b	3 0 1 0	
Dillon c	2 0 1 0	GSims lf	3 0 2 1	
Riddick of	4 0 0 0	GIone ph	2 0 0 0	
Barton 1b	0 0 0 0	Milke 3b	3 0 1 0	
Sogard 2b	3 0 0 0	StrjJr cf	4 0 0 0	
Totals	38 8 9 9	Totals	35 2 9 2	
Pittsburgh 8, Boston 2				
Pittsburgh	000	010	100-8-2	
Boston	000	010	100-0-2	

E-Crip (2), Riddick (2), DP-Oakland 4					
Boston 1, LOB-Oakland 9, Boston 5, 2B-Lowrie (10), Moss (4), Cespedes (9), G.Sizemore (5), HR-Perezynski (3), SB-Donaldson (1), CS-J.Herrera (2).					
IP H R ER BB SO					
Oakland	6	6	2	2	2
Gray	2-3	0	0	0	1
Lackey	1	1	0	0	0
Gregerson	1	1	0	0	0
Doolittle	2-3	1	0	0	0
J.Johnson W-2 1-2 3	1	0	0	0	0
Boston					
Wright	6	5	2	2	3
A.Miller	1	0	0	0	2
Tazawa	1	0	0	0	2
Uehara	1	0	0	0	1
Capuano L1-1	2-3	1	1	2	0
Baderph	1-3	1	0	0	0
Gray pitched to 2 batters in the 7th. T-3:45 A-35,849 (37,071).					
SUNDAY'S LINESCORES					

GOLFOURDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

PGA
WELLS FARGO CHAMPIONSHIP: At Charlotte, North Carolina. More than two years after going through brain surgery, J.B. Holmes is a winner again on the PGA Tour.

Holmes made it harder than he needed to on the final hole at Quail Hollow until rapping in a 3-foot bogey putt for a 1-under 71 and a one-shot victory over Jim Furyk in the Wells Fargo Championship. Furyk finished his Sunday-best 65 some two hours earlier.

Jason Bohm had the best chance to catch Holmes. He was one shot behind when he pulled a 4-iron into the water on the par-3 17th, making double bogey. Phil Mickelson never had a chance, missing four putts from the 4-foot range and closing with a 76 to finish out of the top 10.

LPGA
NORTH TEXAS LPGA SHOOTOUT: At Irving, there was no near-miss for Stacy Lewis this time.

After six runner-up finishes in her previous 16 tournaments, Lewis took control in the final round of the North Texas LPGA Shootout, shooting a 7-under 64 for a six-stroke victory over Meena Lee. With consecutive birdies at the end, Lewis finished at 16-under 268 and with the LPGA Tour's largest margin of victory since Jiya Shin won the 2012 Women's British Open by nine.

Champions
INSPIRITY INVITATIONAL: At The Woodlands, Bernhard Langer won the Champions Tour's Inspirity Invitational for the third time, closing with a 1-under 71 for a one-stroke victory over Fred Couples. Langer finished at 11-under

205 at The Woodlands to become the 10th 20-time winner on the 50-and-over tour.

European/Asian Tours
THE CHAMPIONSHIP AT LAGUNA NATIONAL: At Singapore, Chile's Felipe Aguilar won The Championship at Laguna National, holing out for eagle from 142 yards on the par-4 18th hole for a 10-under 62 and a one-stroke victory.

Aguilar played the back nine in 8-under 28 and finished at 22-under 266. He birdied the par-5 15th and holed a 10-foot putt for another birdie on the par-3 17th.

Web.com
SOUTH GEORGIA CLASSIC: At Valdosta, Georgia, Blayne Barber won the South Georgia Classic for his first Web.com Tour title, closing with a 5-under 67 for a two-stroke victory.

GOLF SCORES

PGA
Wells Fargo Scores
Sunday
At Quail Hollow Club Course
Charlotte, N.C.
Purse: \$6.8 million
Yardage: 7,562; Par: 72

J.B. Holmes (50), \$1,242,000	70-67-66-71	274
Jim Furyk (300), \$745,200	72-69-69-65	275
Martin Flores (190), \$489,200	67-68-69-72	276
Jason Bohm (135), \$321,200	73-67-67-70	277
Justin Rose (110), \$276,000	69-67-71-71	278
Brandt Snedeker (85), \$239,750	62-68-68-69	279
Kevin Kisner (65), \$202,775	72-68-68-73	279
Roberto Castro (50), \$200,000	71-70-69-70	280
Rory Sabbatini (50), \$200,100	69-78-65-70	280
Rory Sabbatini (50), \$200,100	74-68-71-67	280
Kevin Chappell (55), \$158,700	73-70-68-68	281
Phil Mickelson (55), \$158,700	73-63-76-71	281
Michael Thompson (55), \$158,700	71-69-69-72	281
Jonathan Byrd (56), \$120,750	69-71-70-73	282
Zach Johnson (56), \$120,750	71-70-69-72	282
Casey Witten (56), \$120,750	72-67-70-73	282
David Howell III (51), \$99,975	69-71-70-73	283
Martin Kaymer (51), \$99,975	69-69-70-75	283
Ryan Moore (51), \$99,975	70-71-78-68	283
Heath Slocum (51), \$99,975	72-68-70-73	283
Gary Woodland (51), \$99,975	71-72-68-72	283
Jason Kokrak (45), \$58,157	75-68-73-68	284
Y.E. Yang (45), \$58,157	75-72-71-69	284
David Hearn (45), \$58,157	75-72-71-73	284
John Merrick (45), \$58,157	71-70-73-73	284
West Roach (45), \$58,157	71-71-69-73	284
Robert Strebe (45), \$58,157	71-68-71-73	284
Mark Wilson (45), \$58,157	72-73-69-73	284
Ricky Barnes (38), \$40,106	72-72-68-73	285
Scott Brown (38), \$40,106	71-73-70-71	285
Angel Cabrera (36), \$40,106	69-69-75-75	285
Carl Pettersson (18), \$14,800	72-68-70-74	285
Chris Kirk (38), \$40,106	71-70-71-73	285
Martin Laird (38), \$40,106	69-70-73-73	285
Vijay Singh (38), \$40,106	69-72-71-73	285
Brendan Steele (28), \$40,106	72-73-69-72	285
Sung-Moon Bae (21), \$29,950	72-71-71-72	286
Bud Cauley (31), \$28,980	71-71-70-74	286
Rickie Fowler (31), \$28,980	74-71-74-67	286
Scott Langley (31), \$28,980	75-71-74-74	286
Hickie Matthews (31), \$28,980	69-69-72-73	286
Webb Simpson (31), \$28,980	68-73-75-76	286
Ernie Els (25), \$20,861	76-67-67-77	287
Si Haas (25), \$20,861	75-70-70-72	287
David Hearn (25), \$20,861	75-72-71-73	287
Pel Perez (25), \$20,861	73-71-66-77	287
Shawn Stebbins (25), \$20,861	69-68-75-75	287
Andrew Svoboda (25), \$20,861	72-72-69-74	287
Natalie Green (19), \$16,643	70-70-74-74	287
Danny Lee (19), \$16,643	71-71-70-76	288
Hunter Mahan (19), \$16,643	72-73-72-71	288
Ben Martin (19), \$16,643	71-73-69-75	288
Ted Potter Jr. (19), \$16,643	72-73-74-74	288
Robert Almerly (18), \$15,801	73-72-73-71	289
Daniel Summerhays (18), \$15,801	70-72-72-75	289
Joey Testa (13), \$15,456	72-73-75-70	289
Mike Weir (13), \$15,456	75-68-74-75	289
Will Wilson (13), \$15,456	71-72-73-74	289
Brian Davis (9), \$14,904	74-71-75-71	291
Michael Putnam (9), \$14,904	73-69-72-77	291
Heath Slocum (9), \$14,904	73-71-74-77	291
Kyle Stanley (9), \$14,904	74-71-75-71	291
Cameron Tringali (9), \$14,904	74-68-79-70	291
Brian Hartman (5), \$14,352	70-74-78-70	291
Darin Love III (5), \$14,352	75-68-74-75	292
Kevin Toney (5), \$14,352	73-72-75-72	292
Johnathan Wagner (5), \$14,076	75-70-75-75	293
Justin Hicks (1), \$13,800	74-71-74-76	295
Carl Pettersson (1), \$13,800	73-71-74-77	295
Jim Ranner (1), \$13,800	74-74-76-76	295
Bronson LaCasse (1), \$13,524	71-73-77-75	296
Jim Herman (1), \$13,386	76-68-72-81	297

LPGA
North Texas LPGA Shootout
Sunday
At Las Colinas Country Club Course
Irving
Purse: \$1.3 million
Yardage: 6,410; Par: 71

Stacy Lewis, \$185,000	71-64-69-64	268
Meena Lee, \$178,985	70-64-70-70	271
Christie Kerr, \$81,981	67-73-67-275	281
Na Yeon Cho, \$50,853	72-69-68-69	276
Kim Knaflman, \$50,853	72-66-68-70	276
Dewi Claire Schrevel, \$32,348	71-66-72-68	277
Lori Tomasevic, \$32,348	70-71-67-69	277
Christie Kerr, \$32,348	67-70-69-71	277
Christina Kim, \$32,348	67-69-70-71	277
Dori Carter, \$32,348	67-70-68-72	277
Suzann Pettersen, \$32,348	69-71-68-72	277
Jennifer Johnson, \$22,228	71-70-65-72	278
Jenny Shin, \$22,228	69-69-68-72	278
Amy Anderson, \$18,097	71-72-67-68	279
Christie Kerr, \$18,097	69-74-67-68	279
Alena Shust, \$18,097	73-70-66-70	279
Pat Hurst, \$18,097	72-70-67-70	279
Inbee Park, \$18,097	71-68-68-72	279
Megan Ghrihan, \$14,295	76-67-68-68	279
Stacy Kerr, \$14,295	71-68-69-68	280
Pornanyon Phattum, \$14,295	70-68-71-71	280
Thidapa Suwanprasit, \$14,295	69-68-74-74	280
Natalie Gulbis, \$14,295	70-65-71-74	280
Juliea Gonzalez, \$14,295	71-68-69-75	280
Sarah Jane Smith, \$11,800	72-70-70-69	281
Ji Young Oh, \$11,800	73-67-71-70	281
Mina Hargan, \$11,800	74-68-68-71	281
Karina Rodriguez, \$8,806	72-69-67-71	281
Tiffany Joh, \$11,800	74-66-70-71	281
Alison Walshaw, \$9,704	72-72-67-71	282
Brittany Lang, \$9,704	71-70-71-71	282
Jennifer Song, \$9,704	73-68-68-72	282
Joey Ewart Shadoff, \$9,704	69-72-67-73	282
Mi Hyang Lee, \$8,229	69-74-69-71	283
Jui Inahar, \$8,229	69-72-71-71	283
Haru Nomura, \$8,229	70-68-74-71	283
Caroline Masson, \$8,229	67-67-75-74	283
Pernilla Lindberg, \$6,967	73-71-68-72	284
Ryann O'Toole, \$6,967	70-73-68-73	284
Haru Nomura, \$6,967	70-70-69-75	284
Sieth Farr, \$6,967	69-70-76-284	284
Paz Echaverria, \$6,033	70-73-70-72	285
Katherine Kirk, \$6,033	69-69-75-72	285
Suzanne Michaels, \$6,033	71-71-70-73	285
Gerina Piller, \$5,377	72-71-70-73	285
Megan McChrystal, \$5,377	70-68-74-74	286

European/Asian Tours
The Championship Laguna National Scores
Sunday
At Laguna National Golf and Country Club
Masters Course
Singapore
Purse: \$1.5 million
Yardage: 7,199; Par: 72

Final		
Felipe Aguilar, Chile	65-67-72-62	266
David Lippuy, United States	64-68-70-65	267
Anders Hansen, Denmark	67-68-67-67	267
Rahul Gangula, India	66-67-71-65	269
Chris Wood, England	68-67-68-67	270
Anirban Lahiri, India	67-70-68-66	271
Gregory Bourdy, France	65-70-67-69	271
David Drysdale, Scotland	68-70-65-65	273
Raphael Jacquelin, France	69-70-68-68	273
Tommy Fleetwood, England	68-67-68-68	273
Anders Hansen, Denmark	65-70-68-70	274
S.P. Chowdhury, India	68-69-71-67	274
Antonio Lascuna, Philippines	68-69-68-68	274
Baek Seuk-ryun, South Korea	68-67-72-69	274
Robert Karlsson, Sweden	72-70-66-70	274
Panupat Pittayarat, Thailand	68-68-68-74	274
Prom Meesawat, Thailand	66-70-72-67	275
Nacho Elvira, Spain	68-69-71-67	275
Kristoffer Broberg, Sweden	65-68-73-66	275

Web.com
South Georgia Classic Scores
Sunday
At Kinderhook Forest Golf Club Course
Valdosta, Ga.
Purse: \$650,000
Yardage: 7,781; Par: 72

Final		
Blayne Barber, \$117,000	69-72-66-67	273
Alex Prugh, \$70,200	70-68-70-67	273
Carlos Ortiz, \$44,200	70-68-70-67	273
Ryan Armour, \$26,867	74-66-67-70	277
Greg Owen, \$26,867	72-69-67-69	277
Robert Oppenheim, \$26,867	69-66-70-72	277
Max Homa, \$21,775	67-68-70-73	278
Trevor Murphy, \$18,850	73-69-71-68	279
Nathan Tyler, \$18,850	71-68-72-68	279
Hugo Leon, \$18,850	70-70-68-74	279
Jason Alford, \$11,050	69-70-69-70	280
Ryan Blum, \$14,950	72-68-72-68	280
Zack Sacher, \$14,950	70-70-70-69	280
Daniel Berger, \$11,050	70-68-73-70	281
Justin Lower, \$11,050	73-68-73-71	281
Mike Miller, \$11,050	68-71-70-72	281
Andrew Putnam, \$11,050	68-69-72-72	281
Roger Soren, \$11,050	70-70-69-72	281
Paul Peterson, \$7,096	72-69-69-68	282
Bill Lunde, \$7,096	72-69-74-67	282
Kurt Bull, \$7,096	70-70-72-72	282
Tony Farrow, \$7,096	71-72-69-70	282
Jimmy Gunn, \$7,096	72-68-73-71	282
Chris Parr, \$7,096	72-68-71-71	282
Robert Oppenheim, \$7,096	72-69-70-71	282
Roland Taylor, \$7,096	70-70-72-70	282
Jeff Curt, \$4,599	67-70-71-72	283
Kelly Kraft, \$4,599	69-73-70-71	283
Nicholas Lindheim, \$4,599	69-73-70-71	283
Garrh Walker, \$4,599	74-67-71-71	283
Vaughn Taylor, \$4,599	73-68-73-72	283
D.J. Yasthan, \$4,599	71-72-69-71	283
Jeff Klauk, \$3,559	73-71-69-71	284
Hugo Leon, \$3,559	70-71-74-69	284
Justin Lower, \$3,559	71-71-71-71	284
Andy Pope, \$3,559	71-71-68-74	284
Justin Thomas, \$3,559	74-69-70-71	284
Jared Wolfe, \$3,559	71-70-71-72	284
Bronson Burdick, \$2,600	70-74-69-72	284
Oscar Fraustro, \$2,600	70-70-67-76	285
Scott Harrington, \$2,600	72-72-69-72	285
Ryui Imada, \$2,600	70-70-72-73	285
John Kimball, \$2,600	70-74-71-70	285
Colt Knost, \$2,600	67-70-73-73	285
Tag Ridings, \$2,600	75-69-67-75	285
Miguel Angel Carralho, \$2,004	69-72-74-71	286
Peter Tomaszewski, \$2,004	73-71-73-69	286
Nathan Green, \$2,004	72-72-72-72	286
Matt Davidson, \$1,831	75-69-73-70	287
Ryan Spears, \$1,831	73-69-75-70	287
Chris Eggen, \$1,831	73-71-71-72	287
Andrew Galloway, \$1,831	70-72-73-72	287
Matt Hendrix, \$1,831	70-72-73-72	287
Tim Petrovic, \$1,831	72-71-73-71	287
Chase Wright, \$1,831	74-70-68-74	287
Casey Kirkwood, \$1,742	70-70-73-73	288
Chris Baker, \$1,716	76-68-72-73	289
Luke List, \$1,716	70-70-74-72	289
Aron Prino, \$1,716	68-72-75-74	289
Markus Knudsen, \$1,571	74-70-73-73	290
Sieth Farr, \$1,571	69-70-76-75	290
Whee Kim, \$1,571	74-69-70-77	290
Brett Ladner, \$1,571	71-72-76-71	290
Steve Allen, \$1,512	74-70-76-71	291
Matt Feal, \$1,512	71-73-75-72	291
Mark Hubbard, \$1,512	70-72-78-71	291

AARON'S 499 RESULTS

Sunday
At Talladega Superspeedway
Talladega, Ala.
Lap length: 2.06 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (34) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 188 laps, 123.2 rating, 47 points, \$303,315
2. (35) Greg Biffle, Ford, 188, 115.1, 44, \$295,965
3. (27) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 188, 67.2, 41, \$215,151
4. (18) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 188, 81.8, 41, \$181,700
5. (3) A.J. Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 188, 88.2, 36, \$154,113
6. (2) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 188, 83.8, 36, \$137,284
7. (5) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 188, 107.6, 36, \$158,778
8. (42) Casey Kahne, Chevrolet, 188, 67.7, 36, \$131,145
9. (28) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 188, 94.8, 35, \$140,590
10. (25) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 188, 65.5, 34, \$182,795
11. (41) Landon Cassel, Chevrolet, 188, 64.8, 0, \$104,410
12. (19) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 188, 103.4, 33, \$152,276
13. (15) Aric Almirola, Ford, 188, 66.3, 31, \$143,821
14. (4) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 188, 74.7, 31, \$130,018
15. (8) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 188, 79.4, 28, \$151,148
16. (17) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 188, 55.2, 28, \$118,043
17. (43) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 188, 85.2, 27, \$130,493
18. (6) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 188, 61.6, 27, \$103,738
19. (26) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 188, 61.6, 26, \$127,280
20. (36) Josh Wise, Ford, 188, 48.8, 24, \$96,535
21. (31) Cole Whitt, Toyota, 188, 58.2, 23, \$96,186
22. (7) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 188, 74.9, 23, \$106,835
23. (20) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 188,

69.8, 22, \$148,871
24. (37) Terry Labonte, Ford,

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TODAY: Sunny High: 98 Low: 64

TUESDAY: Sunny High: 93 Low: 64

WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 91 Low: 69

THURSDAY: Sunny High: 96 Low: 69

FRIDAY: Mostly sunny High: 83 Low: 66

SATURDAY: Mostly sunny High: 87 Low: 68

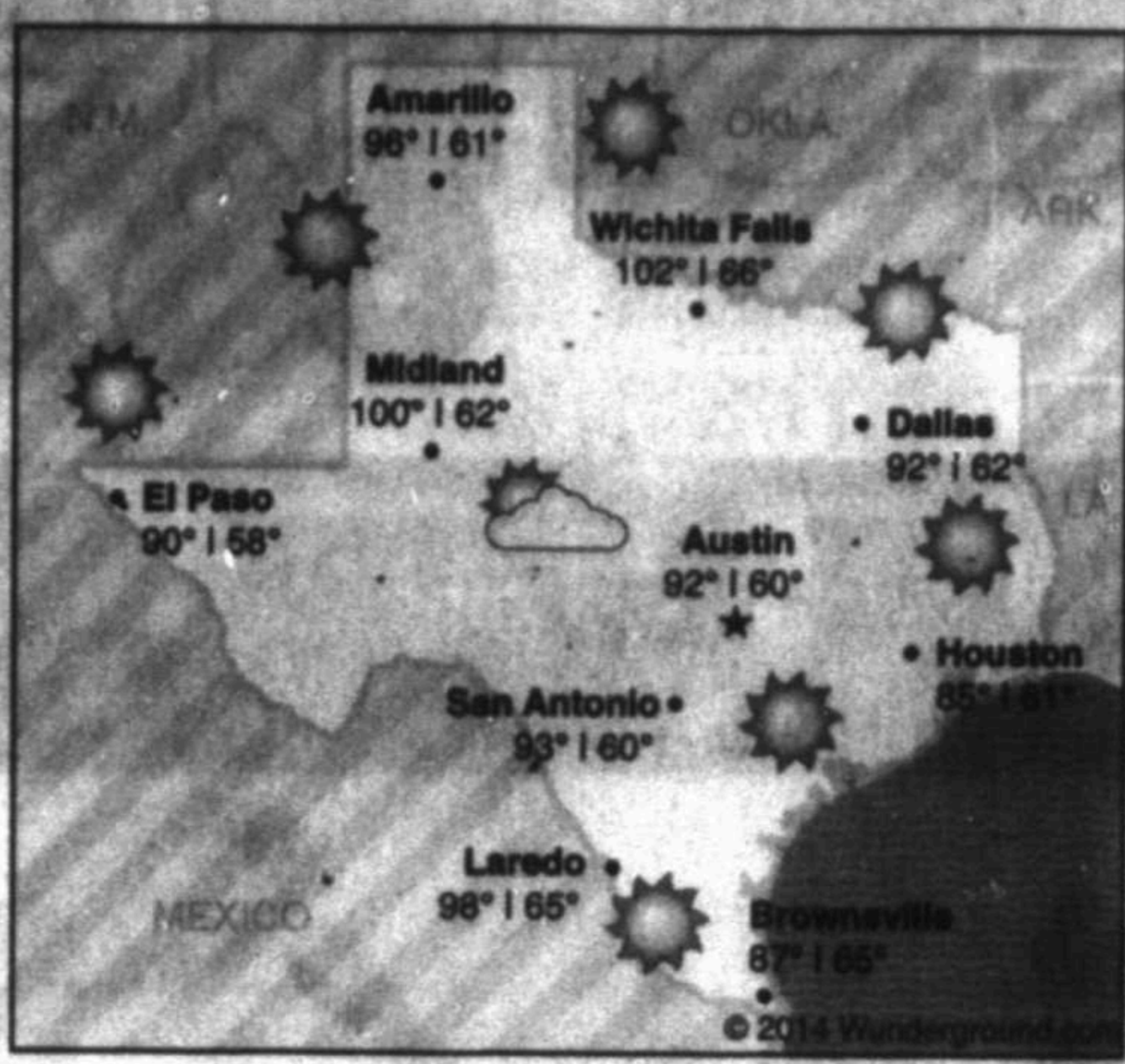
Local forecast

Expect sunny today with a high around 98 and west winds between 10 and 15 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for clear conditions with a low around 64 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph.

Tuesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 93 and southwest winds between 10 and 15 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 64 and southwest winds between 15 and 20 mph.

Wednesday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, mostly clear skies at night, with a high around 91 and a low around 59.

The high on Sunday reached 96, while the low dropped to 62. The record high for May 4 is 103 set in 1947. The record low is 38 set in 2078.



National forecast

Forecast highs for Monday, May 5



National forecast

The stubborn weekend storm system will continue today with a brisk wind. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will stretch from the Great Lakes to the southern Mid-Atlantic States. In between, dry weather is forecast to return to parts of southern New York state, southwestern New England and New Jersey.

Precipitation	Sunday's temperatures
Saturday.....0.00 in.	High.....96
Sunday.....0.00 in.	Low.....62
Month total.....0.00 in.	Normal high.....85
Year total.....0.90 in.	Normal low.....56
Normal total (year to date).....2.65 in.	Sunrise.....7:00 a.m.
	Sunset.....8:32 p.m.

Beach bully kicks sand in friend's vacation plans

DEAR ABBY: For the last few years my family has rented the same beach condo. My friend "John" and his family have joined us there on many occasions. When I asked him his vacation plans for this year, he informed me last night that he has rented the beach condo for the same weeks we have historically occupied it.

I was floored. I think a more appropriate approach would have been for him to have called me first and expressed his interest in renting it, but he should not have rented the unit if it conflicted with our vacation plans. I understand the free marketplace — first-come, first-served — but I can't help feeling he undercut me. — **CONFUSED IN A TENT AT THE BEACH**

DEAR CONFUSED: Your feeling is 100 percent accurate. That weasel DID undercut you, and real friends don't act that way. Now that you know what he's capable of, contact the landlord and make a long-term deal in advance if you want that unit in the future.

DEAR ABBY: I am a lonely 83-year-old woman. All I want is someone to love me, preferably a handsome, wealthy man who will spoil me. I have spent my entire life making other people happy, and now all I want is some happiness back. I mean, can't an older woman

get some loving, too?

I have been told I'm charming. I have the laugh of an angel, a full head of blond/gray hair and a slim figure. I would like a man (preferably in his elderly years) who is lonely and needs some company. And also someone who wants to spend his savings on me. Abby, help me find my soul mate. — **WAITING FOR "GOT-DOUGH"**

DEAR WAITING: Why do I suspect this letter may have been written by a group of sorority sisters after a few drinks? However, just in case it's actually on the level, your "want ad" has now been viewed by millions of Dear Abby readers worldwide, and I'm sure we will hear from many applicants who are eager to be "The One." Let's hope none of them write from "Scam-dinavia."

DEAR ABBY: My daughter-in-law is having a baby. My mother and I told her we would have a shower for her. She registered at a local store

for baby gifts, let us start planning the shower, and then informed us that she would not be opening gifts at the party. My son has sided with her. He said he didn't know her reason, but felt like it was no big deal.

Why would she act that way? We think it's peculiar. The shower has now been canceled at her request. — **MYSTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA**

DEAR MYSTIFIED: Your daughter-in-law may have been trying to be considerate of any guests — possibly members of her family — whose gifts might not have been as expensive as those purchased or crafted by other guests. Or she may have felt self-conscious about being the center of attention.

While I agree that one of the pleasures of attending a shower is seeing the expression of joy on the mother-to-be's face as the presents are unwrapped, look at it this way: Because the shower is canceled, your problem is solved. Now forget about it.

DEAR ABBY

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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A Q 7 6 5 3 ♠ Void ♠ J 8 4
♣ 9 8 6 2

The bidding:

NORTH EAST	SOUTH WEST
1♥ Pass	1♠ Pass
3♥ Pass	?

What call would you make?

A — A three-spade bid might work, but it could also lead to disaster. When the hands are a misfit, it is usually right to stop bidding before the doubling starts.

Pass.

Q 2 — North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A K Q 6 3 ♠ 6 5 ♠ 10 8 3 ♠ 9 8 5

The bidding:

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

What call would you make?

A — Partner has made a reverse bid, showing extras — 17 points or more. Your first duty is to show a fifth card in your major, so bid two spades. Should partner show no interest in spades or no-

trump, your club fit should be adequate for play in that strain.

Q 3 — East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ Q 6 5 ♠ 3 ♠ Q ♠ J 5 4 3 2 ♠ 10 7 2

The bidding:

WEST NORTH E A S T
SOUTH
1♣ 1♠ 2♥ ?

What call would you make?

A — When the auction is competitive, the most important thing you can do is show support for partner. Your assets are worth a raise. Bid two spades.

Q 4 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A 4 ♠ Q 10 2 ♠ A 7 5 3 ♠ J 6 4 3

The bidding:

NORTH EAST	SOUTH WEST
1♠ Pass	1♦ Pass
1NT Pass	?

What call would you make?

A — Partner has at most 14 points, so game is unlikely. This hand should play well in no-trump, so ignore the club fit. Pass. A raise in no-trump might strike gold, but it is against the odds.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Mar. 17th honoree
- 6 Amazed
- 10 Gray timber wolf
- 14 Pasta sauce brand
- 15 Sonny's partner
- 16 Et... and others
- 17 Word before PG or PG-13
- 18 Sacred
- 19 Bismarck is its cap.
- 20 Where to see stars in school
- 23... will be done ...: Lord's Prayer
- 24 Summer zodiac sign
- 25 Of the flock
- 26 Actress Taylor, familiarly
- 27 Hearty dish
- 29 Concealed
- 32 Knives' sharp sides
- 35 "Gone With the Wind" plantation
- 36 Yoko from Tokyo
- 37 Where to see stars in the service
- 41 Chinese chairman
- 42 Get beaten
- 43 "Honest!"
- 44 Capone and Capp
- 45 Voice below soprano
- 46 Pres. between HST and JFK
- 47... gin fizz
- 49 Regret
- 50 Unit of work
- 53 Where to see stars in theaters
- 57 Coffee, in slang
- 58... Crunch: cereal brand
- 59 Tolerate
- 60 "Um, excuse me..."
- 61 Fired
- 62 Memoranda
- 63... avis
- 64 One lacking experience
- 65 John of tractors

DOWN

- 3 Trivial, as a complaint
- 4 New...: modern spiritualist
- 5 Slate of errands and chores
- 6 Sound evoking "Gesundheit!"
- 7 Hemingway's "For... the Bell Tolls"
- 8 Slippery
- 9 Laundry, as a suit
- 10 Polynesian porch
- 11 Like some conservative teaching methods
- 12 Prejudice
- 13 Mighty tree
- 21 Pince-... glasses
- 22 Attorney's field
- 26 Floral necklace
- 27 Authority
- 28 "That's a good point"
- 30 Crucifix letters
- 31 Bowl-shaped roof
- 32 Actress Thompson
- 33 Rotary phone part
- 34 Handle superficially
- 35 Home run jog
- 38 Prowling feline
- 39 Extremely popular
- 40 Enemy
- 45 "You've got mail" company
- 46 Firecracker that doesn't crack
- 48 Andean animal
- 49 Sonata movement
- 50 Online party request
- 51 One on horseback
- 52 Canada honkers
- 53 "That's funny!"
- 54 Like crayons
- 55 Abbr. on a phone's "0" button
- 56 Double-reed instrument
- 57 Cookie container

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, May 5, 2014:

This year you demonstrate an evolving ability to network and broaden your circle of friends and associates. Others see you as somewhat moody yet reliable. Your domestic life increases in significance. A new home is a possibility. If you are single, resist taking a relationship to a live-in status too quickly. A very romantic bond arises as a possibility. If you are attached, the two of you create a landmark year with a transformation or adjustment to your home life. The tie that exists between the two of you flourishes with more time together. LEO provides an anchor when you are moody.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You could be more in the mood for Cinco de Mayo than some of your friends who might hail from that culture. By midafternoon, you will help a friend relax and enjoy the mood of the celebration. Let go of a serious conversation for now. Tonight: Let the good times rock and roll.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Use the morning for any matter that is very serious and that could demand an important conversation or two. Just because you do not see eye to eye with someone does not mean you need to quarrel. Honor and respect your differences. Tonight: Hang out at home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ You might want to honor a change that is likely to make you feel a bit off-kilter. You could feel tense about a personal matter. Understand the liabilities of giving in to your feelings this afternoon — you might not get anything done! Tonight: Go for the moment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ Initiate an important conversation, but avoid any bilateral comments that would add to the present discomfort level. You have an opportunity to clear the air, and you absolutely need to take it. Understand the dynamics of what is going on here. Tonight: Get into a celebration.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You could be excited by news that heads your way. Ponder this information with a greater eye to success and change. You won't want to deny your innate creativity; however, you will need to think before you leap. Tonight: Look beyond the obvious for answers.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Friends play a significant role in your plans, whether you are at work or just off doing your own thing. You'll have

a lot to deal with when speaking to a key loved one or associate. In the afternoon, you might not want to share your ideas so openly. Tonight: Not to be found!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Defer to someone else, and remain open to the possibilities. You will discover the limitations of staying locked in a certain situation. Communication is likely to evolve with someone you trust, who has sound financial knowledge. Tonight: Say "yes" to a friend's request.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Return calls in the morning. You could hear some interesting information or gossip, and you will need time to digest this news. Honor a change in plans without making it a big deal. You could get into a project but have difficulty switching gears. Tonight: Pace yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You have a way of bringing out the best in people, no matter what goes down. You could see a situation in a totally new light after a conversation, and possibly from a different perspective after a talk with someone else. Absorb as much as possible. Tonight: Break patterns.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ You'll want to relate more directly to a loved one than you have been able to in the past. Seize an opportunity to open up a conversation, and listen to the feedback you get. A situation around your domestic life could put a smile on your face. Tonight: Be with a favorite person.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Listen to news that comes from a parent or loved one. You might want to visit with someone at a distance and just enjoy life. Be content hanging out with your immediate circle. Laughter seems to surround a child or loved one. Enjoy it! Tonight: Stay anchored.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Examine what is going on in your immediate circle. You will want to have a conversation with a child or loved one as a result. Realize that a lot is happening around you that might not be easy to integrate into your plans. Tonight: Go along with someone's suggestion.

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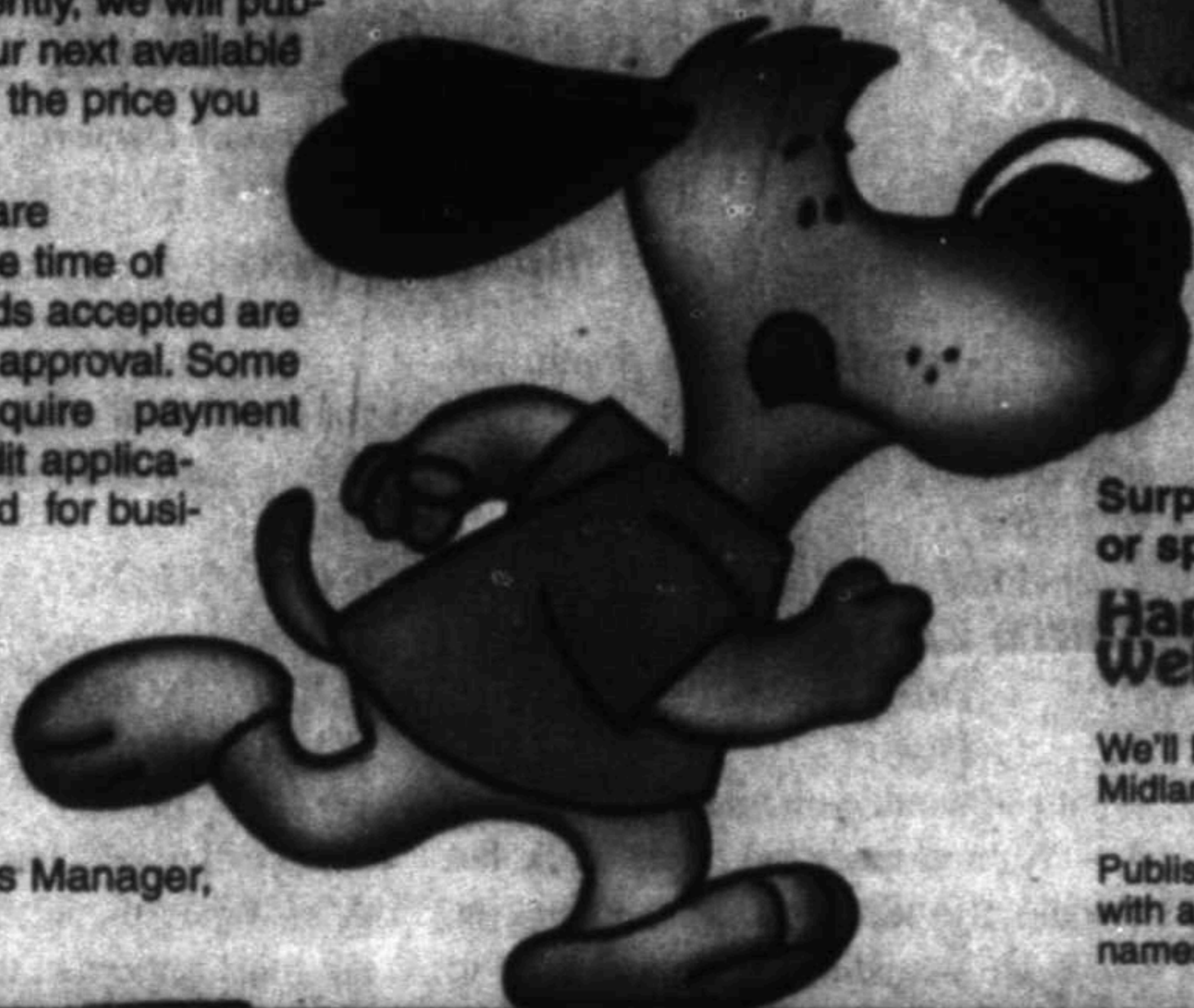
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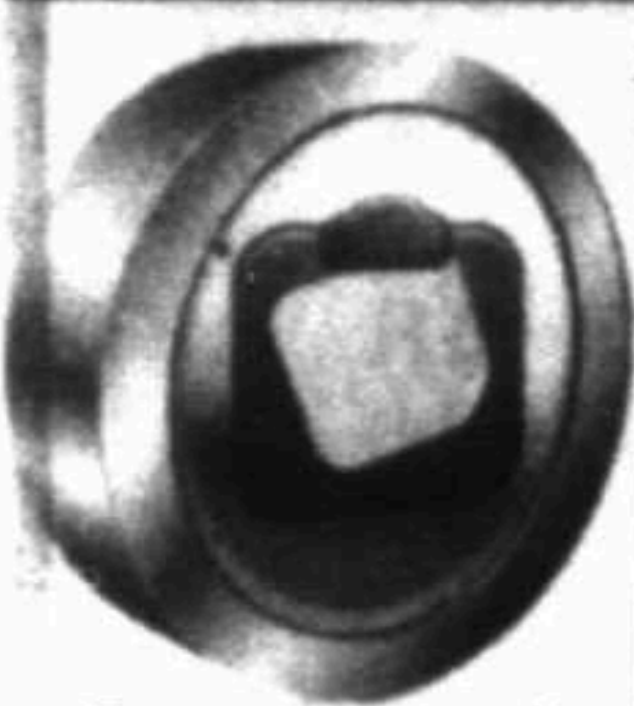
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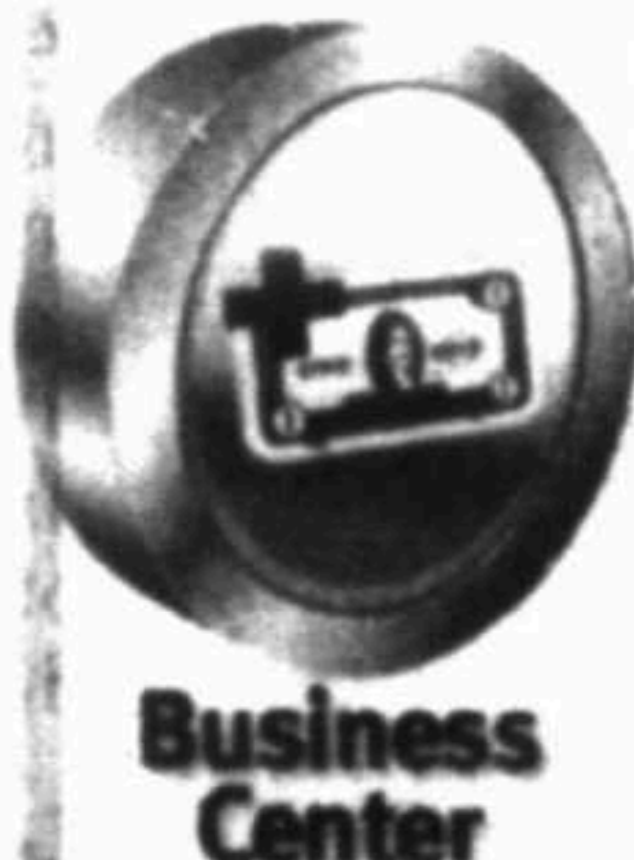
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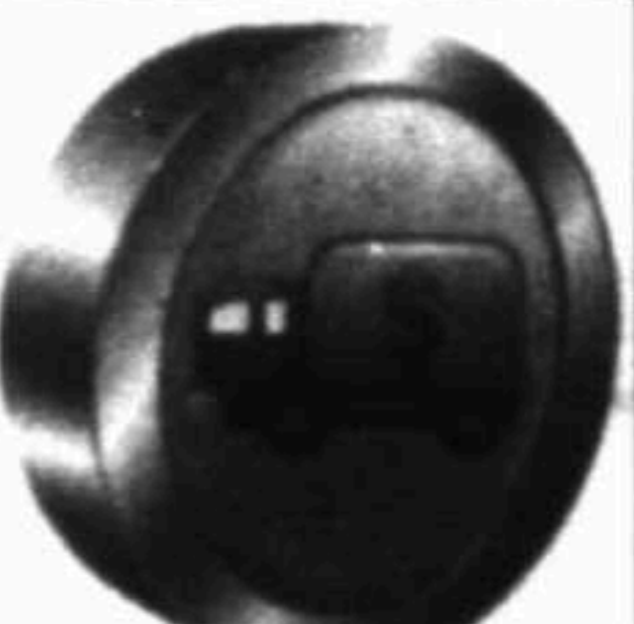


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Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE
 Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person
 Pay \$10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.
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All Positions
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 4108 N. Big Spring St., Midland, TX. 79705

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OTHER JOBS

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 Great parttime jobs to supplement your income. Work Mon-Fri 5:30pm-8:30pm, apply at 1307 N Big Spring.

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 Part Time Warehouse Manager needed for busy furniture store in Midland. Clean driving record required. Apply at Blackbird Interior Design, Furniture & Accessories, 2101 W. Wadley Ave., ste. 12

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Griffin Oil Company, 3910 S. FM 1788, Midland, TX 79706.
 Duties include pulling orders, stocking and taking inventory, and local deliveries. Must have forklift experience and good driving record. Excellent pay & full benefits package. Applications can be completed on site or mail work experience. For additional information, call 800-444-4163 and ask for Tory or Pito at 432-559-1900.

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Customer Service Manager and Route Driver
 Looking for energetic people for the positions of Customer Service Manager and Route Driver for Custom Food Group. Drivers receive \$500 after 6 months of employment. Apply in person at 2045 S. Loop 250 West, Midland, TX. Call or Email to set up an appointment today 806-231-0260 Justin.littlejohn@customfoodgroup.com

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 The Garlic Press is hiring bussers and kitchen staff. Flexible hours. Great work environment and benefits. Apply in person at The Garlic Press in Oak Ridge Square at Wadley and Garfield. 11-2 and 5:30-6:30

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 Fast growing insurance agency looking for a Sales Superstar Call 432-638-9500 or email resume: dbertels@suddenlink.net

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or mail to:
 Bold Energy, LLC

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 Midland, TX 79701

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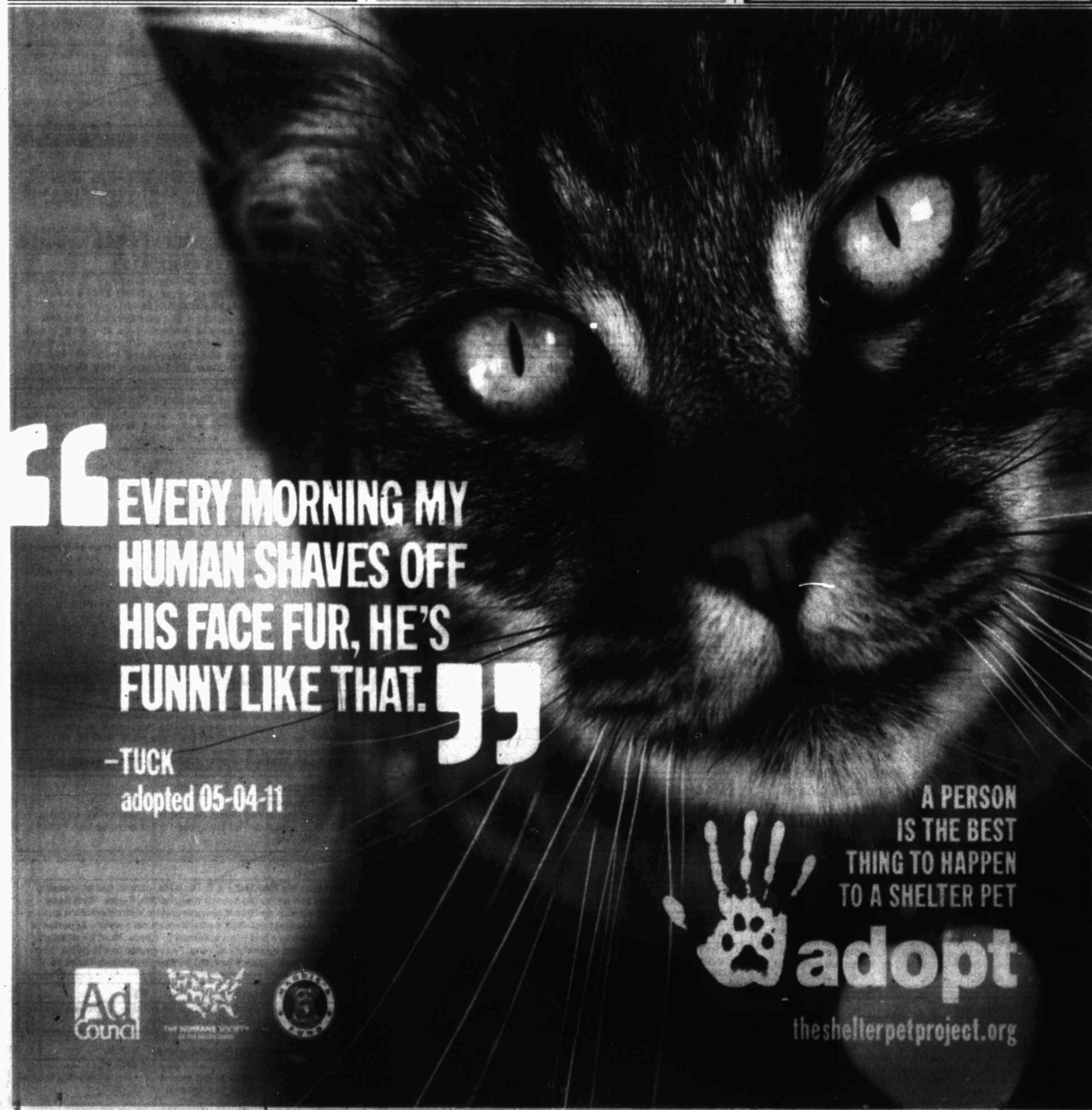


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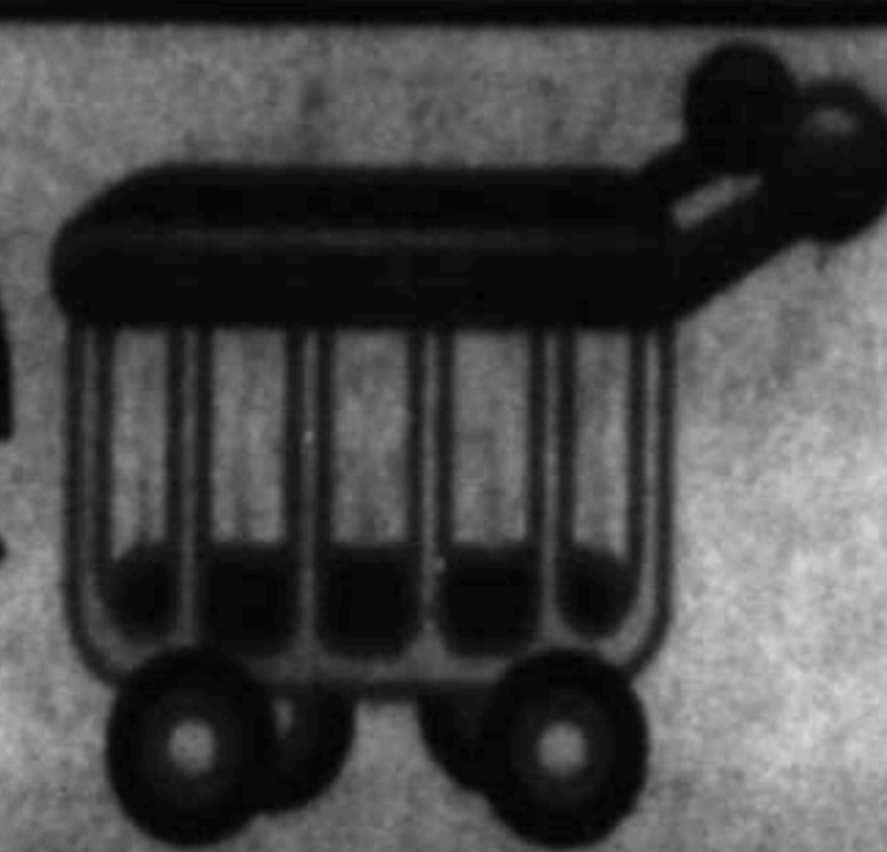
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