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With four matches remaining on their schedule, the Sockers FC look have established themselves as a solid club and look to stay ahead in the Premier Development League playoff race.

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Midland County tops 30 rigs this week

By Trevor Hawes
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Midland County had fewer than 30 rigs for 16 consecutive weeks, but that changed this week when oilfield services company Baker Hughes reported the nation's most-active county had 31, an increase of two.

The count also rose in the Permian Basin, which added four for a total of 154. The Permian has added rigs for the fourth straight week and is up 20 since May 13, when a tie for year-low of 134 was reported.

District 8 extended its hot streak to seven after adding four rigs for a total of 107 this week.

In other areas active in the Permian, District 7B held steady at one rig; District 7C was up one to 20; District 8A was unchanged at seven for the third straight week; and New Mexico fell to 19 after a rig was idled in Lea County.

Six counties in the Permian had double-digit rig counts: Midland, Reeves (24), Loving (13), Howard (11), Lea (10) and Upton (10).

At this time last year, there were 232 rigs in the Permian.

Texas & New Mexico

Texas finished the week with 198 rigs, unchanged. The last time the Lone Star State had 200 or more rigs was the week ending April 1.

The Barnett had eight rigs, up one; the Eagle Ford was down one to 33; the Haynesville fell two to 23; and the Granite Wash was unchanged at eight.

There weren't any rigs listed as offshore or in inland waters in Texas. The state hasn't had an offshore rig since the week ending May 13.

New Mexico fell one rig to 19. All of its rigs were in the Permian.

A year ago this week, Texas had 363 rigs and New Mexico had 45.

United States

Oil rigs rose big nationwide, with 11 more going online for a total of 341. There were 89 natural gas rigs, down one. The lone miscellaneous rig was unchanged.

In total, the U.S. had 431 rigs, up 10. There were 408 rigs on land, up 11; four in inland waters, up one; and 19 offshore, down. Both idled offshore rigs were in

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RUN OF THE WATERMILL

Small idea leads to cool advancement

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A need, a great idea, late nights, dedication, a napkin with notes and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. Put them together, and you have the recipe for Watermill Express, a company that offers self-serve purified water.

In Midland and Odessa, a handful of locations are getting the water seller's newest product. Replica windmills are being replaced with red stucco stations that dispense not only water, but Waterocks Ice.

"It's some of the best ice you can get because we start with our pure drinking water," Watermill Express President and CEO Lani Dolifka said in a phone interview. "A lot of people don't consider that the purity of ice is dependent on the quality of the water you use. Our water, being as pure as it is, makes a superior ice product."

The ice will be available in 10-pound bags, but campers, oilfield workers, landscapers and soccer moms alike will enjoy being able to fill up their coolers with bulk ice dispensed in 10-pound and 20-pound quantities, Dolifka said.

The new ice-dispensing stations started going up in Texas about three years ago, but getting to that point was a long journey. Watermill Express has been in business for 31 years. The idea to sell purified municipal water at convenient locations and at low prices started with bad water in Brighton, Colorado.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Windmill Express water stations around Midland are being updated with new equipment, such as this one on Midkiff near Wadley on Wednesday.

Lani and her husband-to-be, Don Dolifka, searched for a solution back in college.

"The water quality in the small town that we were from was not good, so we decided there had to be a better solution and came up with the idea of producing high-quality water at an affordable price, and that's kind of how we got our start," she said.

Lani was an engineering student at the University of Colorado; Don was studying construction management at Colorado State. Together, they created the concept and co-founded Watermill Express. Like many good ideas, a napkin used for note-taking was involved.

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Week in Oil: Prices rebound from Brexit vote

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The Brexit vote might have rattled markets on June 24, but oil has since bounced back — at least a bit.

After starting the week down $1.31 (2.75 percent) at $46.33 a barrel, West Texas Intermediate futures contracts for August delivery closed Friday at $48.99, up 66 cents (1.37 percent) on the day and up $1.35 (2.38 percent) for the week.

WTI stayed in $40 territory but had a week-high of $49.88 on Wednesday. It's been in the $40 range 56 times in 126 total trading days so far and has hit the $50s four times.

WTI has been down more than it's been up. Futures have closed lower 67 times and higher 59. The lowest price this year is $26.21, while the highest is $51.23.

Plains Marketing posted price generally rise and fall in concert, but Friday bucked the trend. WTI posted rose 75 cents, while West Texas sour rose 80 cents. WTI fetched $45.50 a barrel, up 1.68 percent; sour was priced at $41.95, up 1.94 percent.

WTI posted was up $1.25 (2.82 percent) for the week, while sour was up $1.30 (3.20 percent).

Neither has reached the $50 mark this year, but WTI has come the closest at $47.75. The year-high for sour is $44.15. WTI has seen gains 57 times, losses 58 times and has been unchanged 11 times. Sour has been up 58 times, down 57 times and unchanged 11 times.

WTI posted has been priced in the $40s 48 times, while sour has only been there 26 times.

For the year, WTI futures are up $12.23 (33.27 percent), WTI posted is up $12.25 (36.84 percent) and sour is up $9.95 (31.09 percent).

In other futures trading Friday, September contracts were up 64 cents to $49.65, while October hit the $50s after rising 66 cents to $50.25. There weren't any contracts in the $60 range, but December 2024 was close at $59.97.

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Energy prices

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WTI Posted	$45.50 ▲	$0.75
WTS Posted	$41.95 ▲	$0.80
Natural Gas	$2.987 ▲	$0.063
Gasoline	$2.178 ▼	$0.001

The big number
As many as
9 gunmen
attacked a restaurant in Bangladesh. Page 3A

Word of the Day: sitzmark
Do you know what it means? Find out the definition on Page 3A.

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Associated Press

This image released by Iraq's Counterterrorism Service shows destroyed militant vehicles after airstrikes on Islamic State fighters fleeing the outskirts of Fallujah, Iraq, on Wednesday. Iraq's Defense Ministry has released footage showing airstrikes on dozens of vehicles, which officials said was an IS convoy fleeing the western city of Fallujah following its recapture by the Iraqi military.

IS fled last stand in Fallujah but fears of comeback linger

By Susannah George
Associated Press

FALLUJAH, Iraq — Clumps of hair from hastily shaven beards littered floors and filled wastebaskets in houses in the Iraqi city of Fallujah's western neighborhood, a dense block of low-rise homes that were the Islamic State militants' last stand before they largely fled, melting into the sprawling Anbar desert in the face of advancing Iraqi ground forces.

Iraqi officers said they bombed convoys of fleeing militants this week, destroying dozens of vehicles and purportedly killing scores of IS fighters.

But the way IS abandoned the long-held urban stronghold also underscores the group's ability to adapt and regroup, long after defeat on the battlefield.

In the city's Julan neighborhood, Iraqi Cpl. Sahar Najim kicked through the refuse of facial hair with his boot, saying that he has seen similar scenes in other cities and towns retaken from IS. As the militants realize they are losing, they quickly shave off their beards to disguise themselves and escape among fleeing civilians, he said.

Losing Fallujah, 40 miles west of Baghdad, was a huge blow to the Sunni militant group, depriving it of bomb-making facilities, a safe haven for training recruits and sources of income through taxing the local population.

To the east, in the city's industrial neighborhood, dozens of car repair shops had been converted into car bomb factories. A garage still advertising Toyota car repairs was stocked with plastic jugs filled with chemicals.

Iraqi forces declared Fallujah fully liberated Sunday, after government troops routed the remaining IS fighters from the city's north and west under the close cover of U.S.-led coalition airstrikes. The battle, which began May 22, was the latest in a string of territorial defeats for IS in Iraq over the past year.

At the height of the group's power, in 2014, IS rendered nearly a third of the country out of government control, having blitzed across large swaths of the north and west and capturing Iraq's second-largest city of Mosul. Now, it's estimated to control only 14 percent of Iraqi territory, according to the office of Iraq's prime minister.

More than 500 IS fighters managed to flee Fallujah throughout the five-week offensive, an Iraqi officer told The Associated Press on Thursday. Earlier this year, more than 1,000 IS fighters were estimated to have fled the operation that retook Ramadi, the Anbar provincial capital.

Coalition officials initially estimated that only 500-700 IS fighters were inside Fallujah, but once the operation began, Iraqi officers said it quickly became evident there were many more. Iraqi Lt. Gen. Abdul Wahab al-Saadi gave an estimate of around 3,000.

In the face of battlefield losses, IS has in the past resorted to large-scale bombings in Baghdad and other Iraqi towns, far from the front-line fighting. In May, after IS lost the strategically important town of Hit in Anbar province, a wave of bombings in and around Baghdad killed more than 200 in a single week.

After declaring Fallujah IS-free, coalition and Iraqi planes attacked a series of convoys of suspected IS fighters and their families outside the city. Two convoys were hit by Iraqi and coalition airstrikes, and a third convoy, outside Ramadi, the provincial capital, was also targeted.

In total, more than 200 vehicles were estimated to have been destroyed and hundreds of suspected IS fighters were thought to have been killed in the span of three days this week, according to an Iraqi officer who took part in calling in the airstrikes. Both Iraqi officers spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss operational details.

IS has made no statements on its Fallujah losses and the numbers could not independently be verified.

There are concerns that the militants who got away will regroup.

"Of course we are concerned," coalition spokesman U.S. Army Col. Christopher Garver said about IS fighters who managed to escape and the Islamic State's ability to morph back into an insurgency. "But we have to defeat them first on the battlefield."

Some Iraqi officials say the haphazard method that IS fled — in convoys traversing open desert where the militants were exposed to airstrikes — indicates the extremists are in their last throws and nearing total defeat.

But mobilizing of hundreds of fighters, just days after the declared fall of Fallujah shows IS still exercises a significant degree of command and control, according to Nathaniel Rabkin, managing editor of Inside Iraqi Politics, a political risk newsletter.

"IS are masters at going to ground and living to fight another day," Rabkin said, adding that while the Iraqi military has learned to recapture towns and cities from IS, the extremists will continue to be a threat once they go underground.

Hunting down IS forces who have gone into hiding, Rabkin said, "that is a more difficult challenge."

Palestinian kills Israeli, wounds family in West Bank attack

By Mohammed Draghmeh and Ian Deitch
Associated Press

RAMALLAH, West Bank — A Palestinian gunman ambushed a family traveling in a car in the West Bank on Friday, killing an Israeli man and wounding his wife and two teenage children in an assault that prompted the military to send hundreds of troops to the area — the largest operation in the territory in two years.

The army also imposed a closure on the Hebron district, a flashpoint area where many of the recent attacks have stemmed from.

Additionally, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Israel will reduce the amount of tax revenues it collects on behalf of the Palestinians each month, saying that some of the money was being given to families of attackers.

The tough Israeli action followed a deadly spike in Palestinian violence, with several attacks in two days.

Lt. Col. Peter Lerner, an Israeli military spokesman, said the Hebron closure will limit movement except for humanitarian cases. Over 80 Palestinian attacks have originated or taken place in Hebron area since the current wave of violence erupted in September, he said. Hebron is the largest Palestinian city in the West Bank and home to about 170,000 Palestinians. About 850 Israeli settlers also live in heavily-guarded enclaves there.

Much of the animosity in the biblical city is over a holy site known to Jews as the Tomb of the Patriarchs and to Muslims as the Ibrahimi Mosque.

Lerner said an initial investigation shows the Palestinian car overtook the Israeli vehicle and opened fire before fleeing the scene. He said it was not immediately known how many gunmen carried out the attack. He said at least 20 shots were fired.

Hundreds of soldiers deployed will act as "a physical barrier on the ground," Lerner said, describing it as the military's "most substantial" steps taken in the West Bank since 2014, when thousands of troops entered the West Bank to find three Israeli teenagers who were abducted and killed by Palestinian gunmen.

Lerner did not elaborate on how long the closure would be in place.

Hebron Mayor Dawod Zatari said the Israeli troops closed the southern entrance to the city, which connects it to other cities and villages.

"This measure is meant to collectively punish our people," he said.

The man was identified in Israeli media as Miki Mark, 48, the head of a Jewish seminary in the settlement of Otniel. Reports said he was a father of 10 and a cousin of Yossi Cohen, the head of Israel's spy agency, Mossad.

In another attack Friday, Israeli police said a Palestinian woman, later identified by Palestinian officials as 27-year-old Sarah Tarayreh, had attempted to stab an officer during a security check outside the Hebron shrine.

She aroused suspicion at the checkpoint and was asked to go into a room to undergo a further security check by a female police officer, said Israeli police spokeswoman Luba Samri. At that point, the woman pulled out a knife and tried to stab a female officer before she was shot and killed, Samri said.

Tarayreh was from the same town and the same clan as the Palestinian who stabbed a 13-year-old Israeli-American girl to death as she slept in her bedroom on Thursday, but was not a close relative, said the mayor of Bani Naim, Mahmoud Manasrah. Palestinian clans in the West Bank can have thousands of members.

The killing of the 13 year-old-girl, carried out by a 17-year-old Palestinian high school dropout, was among the most brazen attacks so far in a nine-month wave of assaults, and it drew angry accusations and calls from Israeli leaders for the world to condemn the incident. On Thursday evening, a Palestinian stabbed and wounded a man and a woman in the Israeli city of Netanya.

Over the past nine months, Palestinians have carried out dozens of stabbings, shootings and attacks using cars against civilians and security forces that killed 34 Israelis and two American tourists. Israeli troops and some armed civilians have killed about 200 Palestinians during this period, most said by Israeli to be attackers.

The Palestinians and Israeli rights groups have accused Israel of using excessive force at times by killing assailants who they say could have been subdued. In some cases, Palestinians were killed as they tried to flee the scene, or after they had already been stopped or wounded after carrying out an attack.

Israel says the violence is fueled by a Palestinian campaign of lies and incitement, compounded on social media sites that glorify and encourage attacks. Palestinians say it stems from frustration at nearly five decades of Israeli rule in territory they claim for a state.

Netanyahu on Friday visited the family of Hallel Yaffa Ariel, the girl stabbed to death Thursday.

"To see Hallel's room, to see the blood stains next to her bed and the books and clothes of a small child, this is shocking," he said.

In announcing the tax money withholdings, Netanyahu accused the Palestinian Authority, which runs the West Bank, of transferring funds to attackers by various laundering methods.

"The more severe the acts of terrorism, the greater the amount of funds," he said, adding that payment "to terrorists and their families constitutes incentive for murder."

The Palestinian ministry of prisoner affairs said the salaries are paid to every Palestinian prisoner and freed prisoners who spent more than five years in Israeli jails.

"The money goes to the families as social welfare, we cannot leave any family without help," said Issa Qaraqe, the minister for prisoner affairs.

Amani Sarahneh, spokeswoman of the Palestinian prisoners' club, said the Palestinian government pays about $11 million per month to prisoners and freed prisoners.

Also Friday, a report by, the Quartet of Mideast negotiators — the U.N., U.S., European Union and Russia — said Israel's settlement expansion is eroding the viability of a Palestinian state and raises "legitimate questions" about its commitment to a two-state solution.

Obituaries
Death Notices

Bobby Aaron Norris

Bobby Aaron Norris, 24, of Midland, passed away on Thursday, June 30, 2016.

The family will be accepting guests at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Midland from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 5, 2016.

Funeral services will be at Greenwood Baptist Church at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 6, 2016, with interment following at Resthaven Memorial Park.

He is survived by his parents, Paula and David Norris; and by one brother and one sister.

Gilbert Blea, Sr.

Gilbert Blea, Sr., 72, of Midland, passed away Thursday, June 30, 2016 at his residence.

Family will be receiving friends for visitation on Monday, July 4, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Chapel.

A funeral service has been set for Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Stonegate Fellowship, 6000 W. Wadley Ave.

He is survived by his wife, Erlinda Blea; three sons, Gilbert Blea, Jr., Daniel Blea, and Martin Blea, Sr.; and by three brothers and five sisters.

OTHER DEATHS
FROM WIRE REPORTS

IOWA

Retired professor suing U. of Iowa over search has died

IOWA CITY — A retired professor suing the University of Iowa for alleged open meetings violations during its presidential search has died at age 82.

Harold Hammond was a prominent oral pathologist at the University of Iowa dental school, where he taught and conducted research from 1967 until 2004.

In retirement, he made news fighting the school in court.

Hammond had been bringing a lawsuit alleging a UI search committee repeatedly violated the open meetings law before the hiring of President Bruce Harreld last year.

Hammond's estate could continue the case, assign it to another plaintiff or drop it. No decisions have been made.

To settle a similar lawsuit after Sally Mason was named president in 2007, a search committed admitted violating the open meetings law and paid Hammond's legal fees of $66,000.

NEW YORK

Alvin Toffler, author of 'Future Shock,' dead at 87

Alvin Toffler, a guru of the post-industrial age whose million-selling "Future Shock" and other books anticipated the disruptions and transformations brought about by the rise of digital technology, has died. He was 87.

He died late Monday in his sleep at his home in the Bel Air neighborhood of Los Angeles, said Yvonne Merkel, a spokeswoman for his Reston, Virginia-based consulting firm, Toffler Associates.

One of the world's most famous "futurists," Toffler was far from alone in seeing the economy shift from manufacturing and mass production to a computerized and information-based model.

"Future Shock," a term he first used in a 1965 magazine article, was how Toffler defined the growing feeling of anxiety brought on by the sense that life was changing at a bewildering and ever-accelerating pace. His book combined an understanding tone and page-turning urgency as he diagnosed contemporary trends and headlines, from war protests to the rising divorce rate, as symptoms of a historical cycle overturning every facet of life.

WORD OF THE DAY
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sitzmark
[sits-mahrk, zits-]
adjective

1. *Skiing.* a sunken area in the snow marking a backward fall of a skier.

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Associated Press

Bangladeshi security personnel stand guard near a restaurant that has reportedly been attacked by unidentified gunmen in Dhaka, Bangladesh on Friday. Local media reported that a group of attackers took hostages inside a restaurant frequented by both locals and foreigners in a diplomatic zone in Bangladesh's capital.

Gunmen take hostages at Bangladesh restaurant; 2 dead

Associated Press

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) — Heavily armed militants struck at the heart of Bangladesh's diplomatic zone on Friday night, taking dozens of hostages at a restaurant popular with foreigners. Two police officers were killed and at least 26 people wounded in a gunbattle as security forces cordoned off the area and sought to end the standoff.

The Islamic State group claimed responsibility for the attack on the Holey Artisan Bakery in Dhaka's Gulshan area, according to the SITE Intelligence Group, which monitors jihadis activity online. At least 35 people, including about 20 foreigners, were still trapped inside the restaurant, said kitchen staffer Sumon Reza, who was among more than 10 people who managed to run to the rooftop and escape.

The attack marks an escalation in the growing drumbeat of militant violence to hit the traditionally moderate Muslim-majority nation in the past three years, but with increasing frequency in recent months. Most attacks have been by machete-wielding men singling out individual activists, foreigners and religious minorities.

Bangladesh did not immediately respond to the claim of responsibility by IS, but in the past have denied that the extremist group has a presence in the country. The U.S. State Department said it had seen the IS claim but could not confirm its authenticity.

More than eight hours after the hostage crisis began, a standoff had developed with little sign of any resolution.

The attackers "have not responded to authorities' calls for negotiation," said a member of the elite anti-crime force, Rapid Action Battalion, identifying himself as Lt. Col. Masood, during an interview with the Indian TV channel Times Now.

He said authorities were planning to launch a coordinated response at dawn, and that the security cordon would prevent any of the attackers from escaping. Authorities also ordered internet services to be blocked across the country, according to internet service provider Aamra.

Police said the two officers died at a hospital after being wounded in the gunfire with as many as nine attackers, who also hurled bombs. Ten of the 26 wounded were listed in critical condition, six of whom were on life support, according to hospital staff, who said the injuries ranged from broken bones to gunshot wounds. Only one civilian was among the wounded.

Reza said the attackers chanted "Allahu Akbar" (God is Great) as they launched the attack at about 9:20 p.m. Friday, initially opening fire with blanks. A huge contingent of security forces cordoned off the area around the bakery.

Resident Lutful Amin told The Associated Press he heard several explosions, the last of which went off at about 10:45 p.m.

The head of the Rapid Action Battalion told reporters Friday night that they were working to save the lives of the people trapped inside the restaurant. The hostages included an unknown number of foreigners.

Their nationalities were not immediately clear. On Saturday, Japan's top government spokesman Yoshihide Suga said at a hastily called news conference in Tokyo that the government is trying to confirm that Japanese were among the hostages. Prime Minister Shinzo Abe told reporters that saving lives is the top priority.

"Some derailed youths have entered the restaurant and launched the attack," Benazir Ahmed said. "We have talked to some of the people who fled the restaurant after the attack. We want to resolve this peacefully. We are trying to talk to the attackers, we want to listen to them about what they want."

"Our first priority is to save the lives of the people trapped inside," Ahmed said. He would not say how many people were being held hostage.

Among the hostages was a businessman and his wife and two children, according to his uncle Anwarul Karim.

"My nephew Hasnat Karim called me and said he was inside with his family. He told me, 'Please save us, please!' And he hung up," he said. "We do not know what is going on there."

In Washington, a White House official said President Barack Obama was briefed on the attack by his chief counterterrorism adviser Lisa Monaco. The president asked to be kept informed as the situation develops, said the official, who was not authorized to speak publicly about the president's meetings.

State Department spokesman John Kirby said the U.S. is in contact with the Bangladesh government and has offered its assistance to bring those responsible to justice.

Attention in Istanbul bombing focused on Chechen extremist

By Dominique Soguel and Suzan Fraser
Associated Press

ISTANBUL — Attention focused Friday on whether a Chechen extremist known to be a top lieutenant in the Islamic State group was involved in the suicide attacks that killed 44 people at Istanbul's Ataturk Airport.

U.S. Rep. Michael McCaul, chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security, told CNN that Akhmed Chatayev directed Tuesday night's attack at one of the world's busiest airports. The CIA and White House declined to comment on McCaul's assertion and officials said the investigation of the bombing is still ongoing. McCaul could not be reached for further comment.

Turkish officials also were not able to confirm Chatayev's role. The Sabah newspaper, which is close to the government, said police had launched a manhunt for him.

McCaul said Chatayev's whereabouts are unknown. The 35-year-old one-armed militant, who fought in Chechnya against Russian forces and their local allies in the early 2000s before fleeing to the West, was put on the U.S. list of suspected terrorists in 2015. That same year, he resurfaced in an IS video as the commander of the group's Chechen battalion in Syria.

Although no one has claimed responsibility for the airport attack, the Islamic State group is suspected, and Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan repeated Friday that IS was "most probably" behind it. The group has boasted of having cells in Turkey and other countries.

"They have no connection to Islam. Their place is in hell," Erdogan said, speaking in Istanbul following Friday prayers. "These people were innocent; they were children, women, elderly ... They embarked on a journey unaware, and came face to face with death."

UK shelves balanced budget goal as Brexit vote roils economy

By Jill Lawless
Associated Press

LONDON — Britain's Treasury chief on Friday abandoned the government's long-held goal of balancing the nation's books by 2020, warning that the country's vote to leave the European Union had sent shock waves and instability through the U.K. economy.

Gove

In a sign of that uncertainty, a leading contender to become the country's next prime minister said he would not trigger formal EU exit talks before next year — even as senior European officials urged Britain to hurry up and go.

George Osborne, Britain's finance minister, said the referendum result is "likely to lead to a significant negative shock for the British economy."

"We will continue to be tough on the deficit but we must be realistic about achieving a surplus by the end of this decade," he said in a speech in Manchester, northwest England.

The Conservative government elected in 2010 has cut billions from public spending in a bid to eliminate a budget deficit that's expected to hit 75.6 billion pounds ($100 billion) this year. Before the EU referendum last week, the Office For Budget Responsibility had forecast a budget surplus of 10.4 billion pounds in 2019-20.

Osborne, who argued during the campaign that Britain should stay in the EU, had estimated that a vote to leave would hurt public finances to the tune of 30 billion pounds.

He said Britain must "reduce uncertainty by moving as quickly as possible to a new relationship with Europe and being super competitive, open for business and free trading. That's the plan and we must set to it."

Those who campaigned for a British exit, or Brexit, say any economic pain will be temporary, and that leaving the EU will open up new trading possibilities with other regions.

But that could be a long way off. Prime Minister David Cameron announced his resignation after losing the referendum and said his successor should oversee EU exit talks. Five Conservative lawmakers are vying to replace him in a contest whose winner will be announced Sept. 9

The new leader will be the person to invoke Article 50 of the EU constitution — the formal mechanism that begins two years of divorce negotiations.

One of the Conservative front-runners, Justice Secretary Michael Gove, said Friday that he was passionately committed to leaving the EU — but had "no expectation that Article 50 would be triggered in this calendar year."

Gove also said he would "only trigger it after extensive preliminary talks" — even though EU officials have said no such talks can be held until Article 50 is invoked.

Gove's comments are likely to annoy EU leaders, who have put strong pressure on Britain to start talks soon on leaving the 28-nation bloc.

German Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier told news website Spiegel Online that "what we can expect from London, and quickly, is a timetable for when exit negotiations with the EU are supposed to begin and how the British foresee these negotiations."

But like other German and European officials this week, he didn't define what he meant by "quickly."

Gove also said he would not call an early election to seek a personal mandate for change. Britain's next scheduled election is in 2020.

Gove, one of the leaders of the victorious campaign to quit the alliance, said at a campaign launch that the next Conservative leader should be a true supporter of Brexit — a cause he has espoused for 20 years. That was a slap at his leading rival for the Tory leadership, Home Secretary Theresa May, who backed the "remain" campaign.

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Things to do

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■ Adult Kickball, 2 p.m. Visit facebook.com/groups/Midlandkickball for more information.

■ Tabletop players group, 2:30 p.m., Astral Castle, 10 Meta Drive. 2:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

■ Sockers FC vs. Springfield Synergy with postgame fireworks, 7:30 p.m., Grande Communications Stadium, 5514 Champions Drive. Sockersfc.org.

■ Texas Heat, 8 p.m., Your Place, 3704 W Wall St.

■ Brightside: a music, lighting and dance experience. 8 p.m., The Reserve, 117 W. Wall St. $5. ryotpm.com.

■ Tim Kreitz Band, 9 p.m., The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.

■ DJ Wildman, 9 p.m., The Lift on 7th, 1401 E. 7th St. Odessa.

■ Summer Mummers 2016: "Midland's Master Munchie Maker or… Are You Going to Eat That?" at the Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado Ave. summermummers.com.

Firecracker Fandango

Downtown Odessa, Inc.'s 21st annual Firecracker Fandango is today. There will be kids' activities, food and a fireworks show. Performing live will be William Clark Green, David Lee Garza y los Musicales and Dalton Domino. Tickets are $13 for adults and $11 for children and seniors.

When it's open today

U.S. Postal Service

■ Graves Station, 3304 W. Wadley Ave.
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Both branches of Midland County Public Library are closed today and Monday.

Swimming pool hours

■ Doug Russell Aquatic Center, located at 900 Midland Drive, will be open from noon to 7 p.m. today.

■ Washington Aquatic Center, located at 1601 E. Indiana Ave., will be open from noon to 7 p.m. today.

■ The cost of entry at city of Midland pools is $3 per person, with free admission for children under the age of 2.

Source: City of Midland

Recycling Container Locations

Large 30-cubic yard open top containers:

■ Midland Citizens Collection Station 4100 Smith Road, 685-7278 has recycling containers for cardboard, aluminum, paper and No. 1 and No. 2 plastics.

■ Midland College (Chaparral Center)
3200 N. Garfield Road -- Cardboard, paper, aluminum and No. 1 and 2 plastics

■ Security Bank Ballpark west side 5514 Champions Drive -- Cardboard, No. 1 and 2 plastics

Large item pickup

For residential customers, the city of Midland will pick up furniture and appliances at no additional charge. These items must be placed in the alley in the city right-of-way; the city will not go onto private property. Do not place your item next to the Dumpster; it needs to be behind your home, in the alley. These larger item collections must be scheduled with the Solid Waste Division. Please call 432-685-7278 to schedule this service.

City of Midland

Watering schedule

■ The current outdoor watering schedule allows residents and businesses in the city of Midland to water twice per week.

Even-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays.

Odd-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Tuesdays.

Any violation may result in a fine up to $500.

Source: City of Midland

How sick are you?

■ Midland Memorial Hospital is offering a nurse triage program "68-NURSE."

The program is designed to help people determine whether or not their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dinling 686-8773.

The program is free and available 24 hours a day-365 days a year. Local nurses are available to help you determine the best place to receive care for your situation. 68-NURSE can help you save time and money by directing you to the most appropriate healthcare option, whether it's a neighborhood clinic, urgent care center, emergency room… or just staying home.

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Pick 3 night: 3-0-4
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Daily 4 day: 3-3-3-6
Daily 4 evening: 7-9-7-1
Daily 4 night: 4-7-1-3
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All or Nothing morning: 1-2-3-5-6-7-10-16-17-19-21-23
All or Nothing day: 2-3-7-10-13-15-16-19-21-22-23-24
All or Nothing evening: 2-4-5-9-10-12-13-15-20-21-23-24
All or Nothing night: 2-3-5-8-9-10-12-15-16-17-21-23

AP file photo

In this April 12, 2012, file photo, water rushes along the course at the National Whitewater Center at dusk on the first day of competition in the canoe slalom Olympic trials, in Charlotte, N.C. The chlorination and filtration systems at the artificial water rapids course where Olympic kayakers train were inadequate to kill a rare, brain-attacking organism, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Friday after an Ohio teenager died from the amoeba.

CDC: Amoeba didn't die in whitewater center's murky churn

By Emery P. Dalesio and Tom Foreman Jr.
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — The chlorination and filtration systems at an artificial water rapids course where Olympic kayakers train were inadequate to kill a rare, brain-attacking organism, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said after an Ohio teenager died from the amoeba.

The rushing water channels at the U.S. National Whitewater Center had become so murky with debris that the chlorine and ultraviolet light that might have killed the Naegleria fowleri amoeba didn't work, Dr. Michael Beach said Friday.

"It's kind of a murky water," said Beach, the CDC's associate director for healthy water. Speaking by phone, Beach wouldn't comment on whether a more effective system could have saved the life of Lauren Seitz, 18, of Westerville, Ohio.

The whitewater center closed its whitewater rafting and kayaking operations on June 24. The fast-water channels will be drained, dried and scrubbed to kill any vestiges of the amoeba, the nonprofit said on its web site. The website didn't indicate when the rapids course might reopen. A spokesman for the center declined to comment Friday on the CDC findings.

Seitz died June 19, just three weeks after graduating from high school and more than a week after returning home to suburban Columbus, Ohio, from a church group trip that included a visit to the whitewater center about 15 miles west of Charlotte. Her only known underwater exposure was thought to be when her raft overturned at the whitewater center.

The center held Olympic qualifying trials for U.S. canoe and kayak competitors in April and also hosted the qualifying races before the 2012 and 2008 Olympics, said Aaron Mann, a spokesman for USA Canoe/Kayak. American Olympians haven't used the Charlotte course in recent weeks because they've been competing in Europe ahead of a training camp in France leading up to the Rio de Janeiro games, he said.

The amoeba is very common in lakes and other kinds of warm, fresh water, yet it's very rare that it will make anyone sick, said Dr. Thomas Kerkering, chief of infectious diseases cat Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine in Roanoke, Virginia. The amoeba won't infect a person who drinks or swallows water containing it and must enter the body through the nose to cause harm.

"Where most people get it is when they wipe out waterskiing and the water goes up their nose," Kerkering said.

The odds that the organism will cause the dangerous, brain-eating disease are just about chance, Kerkering said, since some people jumping into the water might contract the illness while most others don't.

Only 138 people nationwide have been stricken by the disease between 1962 and 2015, according to the CDC. Florida and Texas have had the most cases with 34 each in that time. North Carolina had four cases prior to Seitz, none of them involving the whitewater center, while Ohio is one of 32 states without a recorded case over the five-decade span. All five cases last year were fatal. They were in California, Oklahoma, Arizona, and two in Texas. The most recent was in Texas last August.

Initial symptoms showing up on average five days after exposure may include headache, fever or vomiting and worsen to include stiff neck, confusion, seizures and hallucinations.

The deadly amoeba was found in all 11 water samples taken from the National Whitewater Center's fast-flowing whitewater channel, said Dr. Stephen Keener, Mecklenburg County's medical director. Four samples from the neighboring Catawba River didn't find the organism, but it was found in one sample of the river's sediment, Keener said Thursday.

Water for the center's courses comes from the Charlotte-Mecklenburg municipal system, two water wells and rain, the operator said.

Seitz planned to study music and environmental science at Denison University in Ohio, according to an obituary posted by the funeral home handling arrangements. A celebration of her life is scheduled Saturday. Her family didn't return a telephone call seeking comment.

4 children fatally stabbed in Memphis; mother in custody

By Adrian Sainz
Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Four young children were stabbed to death in a gated apartment complex in suburban Memphis on Friday, and police took their mother into custody for questioning. She has not been charged.

Deputies were called to the complex in unincorporated Shelby County shortly before 1 p.m., said county Sheriff Bill Oldham, who did not specifically allege that the mother had stabbed the children.

"This is an egregious act of evil that has shocked us to our core," Oldham said. "I will never understand how anyone can do this."

Officials have not released the ages of the children, but sheriff's office spokesman Earle Farrell said deputies responding to the scene called them "babies."

"What can you say?" said neighbor Sean Ahearn. "It's just a terrible, terrible thing."

Ahearn said he didn't know the family by name but that he often saw the children, who all appeared to be under age 6, playing in the front yard. They liked to pet his dog when he was taking it for a walk, he said.

"From what I saw, they were very open and friendly kids," he said. "You never imagine that this kind of thing could happen."

The investigation is in a very preliminary stage and investigators do not know if the mother had any mental health issues, Oldham said. He said authorities are working to notify the next of kin and won't release names before that.

"One of the most difficult questions in any investigation is always, 'Why did this happen?'" he said.

Oldham said the district attorney general's special victims' unit has been called in and Shelby County Mayor Mark Luttrell has promised all resources necessary for the investigation.

County Commissioner Mark Billingsley also said the county would work to help the family of the children recover.

"It's just a very sad day," he said. "It's really beyond words, quite frankly."

The apartment where the stabbing occurred is in a gated community with a golf course called The Greens at Irene. On Friday afternoon, deputies were standing at the gate house questioning motorists as they drove into the neighborhood.Resident Patricia Johnson spoke with reporters from her car Friday afternoon. She said she wasn't allowed to leave for two hours as deputies investigated the scene.

She has a child, and said she burst into tears when she heard about the killings.

"I can't fathom that," she said. "What would babies do to make you do that?"

The state Department of Children's Service has offered its assistance to local law enforcement, but has no record of interaction with the slain children, said spokesman Rob Johnson.

Report: Static electricity caused Hawaii lab explosion

By Cathy Bussewitz
Associated Press

HONOLULU — A laboratory explosion at the University of Hawaii that resulted in a researcher losing her arm was likely caused by static electricity, according to an independent investigation.

The University of California Center for Laboratory Safety, which handled the investigation, released its results Friday.

The explosion that occurred in March was initially thought to have been caused by a faulty pressure gauge, but the investigators said static electricity released into a tank most likely caused the explosion, said Michael Bruno, vice chancellor for research at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

"By all accounts and from everything that we know so far, there were many, many efforts to make this process as safe as possible, and in fact the exact same experiment essentially had been conducted 10 or perhaps 11 times prior to this accident occurring," Bruno said.

The researcher had told fire department investigators she would get shocked on occasion when touching the tank. She reported that to the professor who hired her to conduct research into bioplastics and biofuels, but he told her not to worry about it:

The day before the explosion, the researcher reported hearing a cracking sound while conducting an experiment. She was advised to use different equipment, advice Bruno referred to as "what looks like a tragic decision."

"In hindsight, that was not the right interpretation of what had happened," Bruno said.

Investigators said it was challenging to determine the cause of the detonation because they weren't able to inspect the accident scene until 13 days later. It was important to first clean up the blood and damage to the lab and to ensure that the building was structurally sound, Bruno said.

Report: Albuquerque police failed in use-of-force reviews

By Mary Hudetz
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Albuquerque police struggled to adequately investigate use-of-force cases amid a mostly failed review system for holding officers accountable, while the department's SWAT units showed improvement in de-escalating standoffs and other high-stress situations, a court-appointed monitor's report said Friday.

The report filed in federal court by monitor James Ginger described a police department still falling short with supervisor oversight and use-of-force policies, despite an overall commitment to reform.

Ginger is tasked with tracking reforms mandated in a settlement agreement between Albuquerque police and the U.S. Justice Department, which found a culture of excessive force among the police department ranks after a monthslong investigation that ended in 2014.

The Albuquerque Police Department also faced public scrutiny for a high rate of shootings by police between 2010 and 2014.

"Across the board, the monitoring team has found that the components in APD's system for overseeing (and holding officers accountable for) the use of force, for the most part, has failed," the report said. "Mistakes or misconduct led to reporting failures, delayed investigations, and the loss of potential evidence, including key statements."

Ginger, who the U.S. Attorney's Office in New Mexico describes as an expert on police reform, took particular issue with a case in which an officer reportedly kneed a suspected car thief in the head in October. The officer's supervisor delayed filing a report on the case, which monitors said raised serious concerns about a "superficial chain of command" for reviews.

The 352-page report from Ginger's team is its third for the Albuquerque Police Department. It reviews the department's reform efforts between December and March.

IDEA

From 1A

"Don and I were working late one night, and we looked at each other and said we had to come up with a name," Dolifka said. "I had brought in some peanut butter and jelly sandwiches that evening for dinner because we were working late."

They sought a name that symbolized speed and efficiency.

"We came up with Watermill Express, wrote it down on a napkin, thought it was great and kept on working."

The work hasn't stopped. Watermill Express stations are available at 1,300 locations in 11 states, and they're not just spigots hooked up to the water supply. In addition to sophisticated filtration and purification equipment, it takes a team of people on the ground to service, sanitize and monitor the stations. The stations are also high-tech, allowing the company to monitor operations remotely.

"If there's any problem with the water or equipment, our system will automatically contact us, and then we dispatch a technician to address the issue," Dolifka said. "It's the only way we've been able to manage that many locations. We've had to use technology to help us monitor all this equipment. It's a small little building, but there's a lot packed inside."

And although some might think there's no hope for making its municipal water palatable, Dolifka said all locations are tailored to the area through consistent testing and analysis.

"We've never set up in a place where the water was untreatable," Dolifka said.

Midlanders will be treated to free water and ice 10 a.m.-6 p.m. July 15-17 at the new Watermill Express station at 3303 W. Illinois Ave., located at the intersection of Midkiff Road near 7-Eleven. The grand opening event will offer 10 pounds of ice and five gallons of water per vehicle per day.

For sale will be water jugs and various reusable drinking bottles as part of the company's One For You, One To Share promotion that offers a free matching container with each container purchase.

Like Trevor on Facebook and follow him on Twitter at @HowdyHawes

Dead whale stuck on Los Angeles beach ahead of holiday

By John Antczak
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The reeking carcass of a dead humpback whale was stuck on a popular Los Angeles County beach Friday as Fourth of July weekend crowds began arriving.

Authorities planned to use boats pulling ropes attached to the tail to pull it off the sand during an evening high tide and take it far out to sea.

Because of the stench, authorities attempted the procedure at midday, with a bulldozer pushing, but it was unsuccessful.

The huge whale washed onto Dockweiler Beach, a long stretch of sand near the west end of Los Angeles International Airport, just before 8 p.m. Thursday and holiday beachgoers began arriving in the morning.

Lifeguards posted yellow caution tape to keep people away, and biologists took samples to determine what caused the death of the humpback, an endangered species. Beachgoers watching from a distance covered their noses.

Tail markings were compared with a photo database and found that the same whale had been spotted three times previously off Southern California between June and August of last year by whale watchers who gave it the nickname Wally, said Alisa Schulman-Janiger, a whale research associate with the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County.

At the time of the prior sightings the humpback was covered with whale lice, which usually means a whale is in poor physical condition, but it was also actively feeding and breaching, she said.

Schulman-Janiger said she noticed healed entanglement scars on its tail indicating that in the past it been snarled in some sort of fishing line. The carcass was in relatively good condition which meant the whale could have died as recently as Thursday morning, she said.

The whale was about 46 feet long and at least 15 years old, meaning it had reached maturity, said Justin Greenman, stranding coordinator for the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Skin and blubber samples were taken for DNA testing along with fecal matter to be tested for biotoxins.

The experts had hoped to more extensively open up the whale but due to the holiday weekend authorities decided to get it off the beach as soon as possible, Greenman said.

North Pacific humpbacks feed along the West Coast from California to Alaska during summer, according to the Marine Mammal Center, a Sausalito-based ocean conservation organization. Although the species' numbers are extensively depleted, humpbacks have been seen with increasing frequency off California in recent years, the center's website said.

Clinics challenge new Louisiana abortion restrictions

By Cain Burdeau
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Abortion clinics and their doctors in Louisiana are challenging new abortion restrictions that include making women wait longer and barring a common second-trimester procedure.

The federal lawsuit filed Friday in Baton Rouge seeks to keep the new rules from taking effect on Aug. 1.

Among other restrictions, lawmakers voted to force many women to wait 72 hours and undergo ultrasounds before getting abortions, and they banned a procedure called dilation and evacuation.

The lawmakers say they only want to safeguard women's health, but judges might decide otherwise following Monday's U.S. Supreme Court ruling, which declared that it's unconstitutional to impose medically unnecessary rules that place an undue burden on access to abortion. The decision overturning a Texas law requiring hospital admitting privileges for abortion doctors was the court's strongest defense of abortion rights in a quarter-century.

The justices blocked enforcement of a similar Louisiana law in March.

Friday's suit was filed on behalf of two north Louisiana clinics and three doctors by the Center for Reproductive Rights, a New York-based legal non-profit. The group's president and CEO, Nancy Northup, said legislatures are "burying women's right to safe and legal abortion under an avalanche of unjustified and burdensome restrictions."

"A web of red tape" over abortions is "driving safe and legal care out of reach for many Louisiana women and putting their health and well-being at risk," her statement added.

Democratic Gov. John Bel Edwards, who "maintains his pro-life position" on abortion, is reviewing the lawsuit, according to a statement from his press secretary Shauna Sanford.

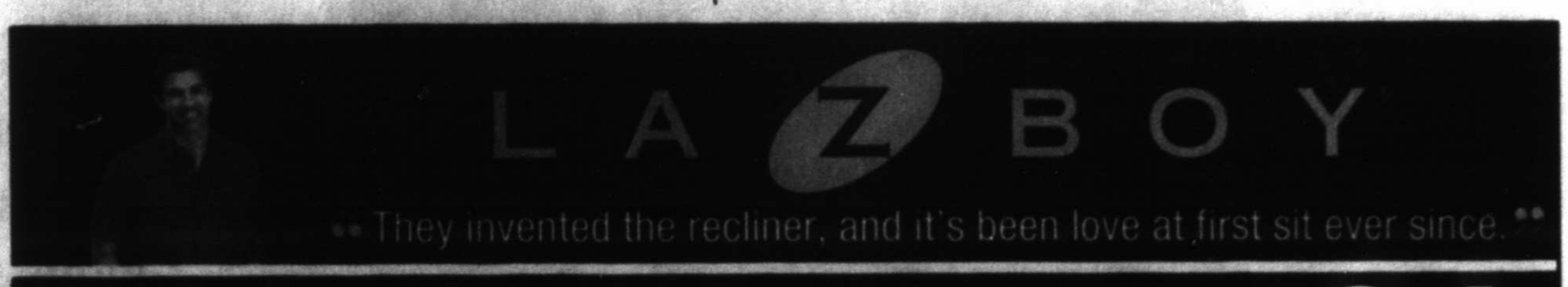
Louisiana would join at least five other states with the nation's longest wait time, 72 hours. However, the current 24-hour wait would remain for women living 150 miles or more from the nearest abortion provider.

The clinics call the wait "an affront to the dignity and autonomy of women" that "imposes mental hardship and suffering, sorrow, and nervousness."

Other new rules would:

- ban "dilation and evacuation," a procedure used to avoid complications in second-trimester abortions — unless it's deemed necessary to prevent "serious health risk" to the woman;
- require doctors who perform abortions to be either board-certified or certifiable in obstetrics and gynecology, or family medicine;
- require abortion providers to bury or cremate fetal remains.
- and prohibit state and local government agencies from funding an abortion clinic or any entity that contracts with abortion clinics.

The suit says the law "imposes a legal stigma on abortion clinics, isolating them by singling them out to Louisiana businesses as uniquely unqualified entities with whom to contract."



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Westar Energy Inc. asks Kansas agency to approve $12.2B sale

Associated Press

TOPEKA, Kan. — A joint application to approve the $12.2 billion sale of Westar Energy Inc. has been filed with the Kansas Corporation Commission.

The Topeka Capital-Journal reportes that Great Plains Energy Inc., Kansas City Power and Light and Westar filed the application Tuesday. If approved, Westar would be sold to Great Plains.

Great Plains is the parent company of KCP&L.

According to the filing, pre-tax savings and efficiencies for Great Plains and Westar are estimated to be about $65 million in the first year after the transaction closes.

The companies say those savings are expected to increase to nearly $200 million annually. The filing says the transaction will create a significant state income tax benefit.

Subject to regulatory agency approvals, including those from KCC and the Federal Energy Regulatory Agency, the companies said the goal is to close the sale in spring 2017. The Missouri Public Service Commission, that state's utility regulatory agency, is still evaluating whether it should have jurisdiction in the sale.

"There's a whole battery of checkboxes they have to fill out so the fiscal and societal impact on the state is examined," KCC spokesman Samir Arif said of the two companies, adding that the KCC will explore issues like the sale's effect on labor displacement, rates, the environment and overall energy policy.

The commission has 60 days to set a procedural schedule regarding the potential sale.

PNM loses support for rate increase request after hearings

Associated Press

SANTA FE, N.M. — Bernalillo County and other groups have withdrawn their support for Public Service Company of New Mexico's request for a rate increase in light of new information provided at hearings.

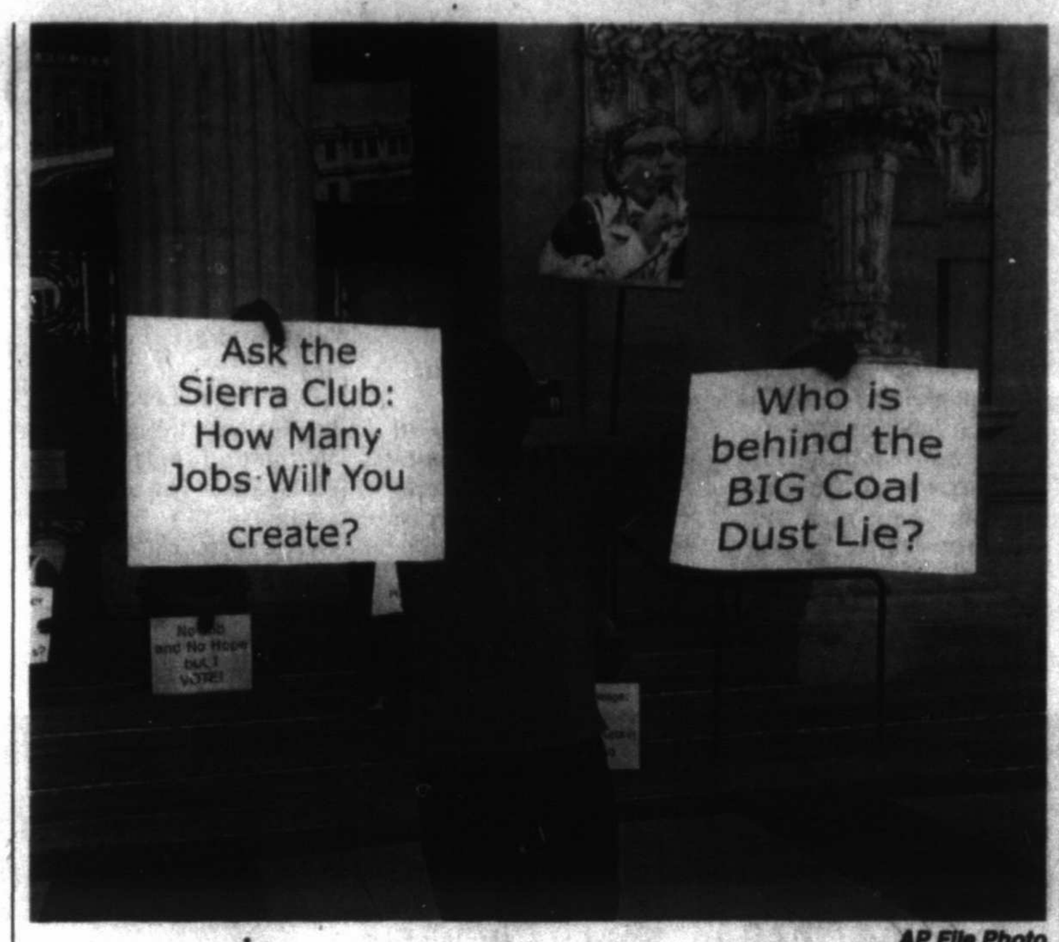
PNM wants to increase its collections from customers by about $123.5 million per year, raising rates by an average of 14.39 percent, The Santa Fe New Mexican reported

The revenue will help cover the purchase of power from the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station in Arizona, company officials said. The rate increase would also cover some $655 million in capital investments the utility has made since 2011 and will make through the end of 2016.

The power from the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station is intended to help fill part of the void that will be left by the closure in 2017 of two units at the coal-fired San Juan Generating Station in northwest New Mexico. The planned closure is the result of an agreement with state and federal officials to curb haze-causing pollution in the region.

The Public Regulation Commission heard arguments on the rate request in April and June and reopened hearings this week to allow commissioners to consider new evidence.

PRC spokesman Carlos Padilla said the new evidence shows the company already recovered from customers the costs of leasing and maintaining the plant, improving infrastructure and buying fuel. As a result, the PRC's staff has retracted its testimony in support of the increase, Padilla said Thursday.



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Stevie Johnson holds up a pair of signs during a protest outside City Hall before a scheduled vote, on Monday to decide whether to ban rail shipments of coal over concerns it would pose a public health or safety hazard in Oakland, Calif. A yes vote Monday by the Oakland City Council could scuttle the plan to build a marine terminal that would serve as a gateway for Utah coal heading to Asia.

Coal port money, payday lending rules among new Utah laws

By Michelle L. Price
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — New laws that took effect in Utah on Friday include added restrictions on payday lenders and a path for Utah to invest more than $50 million in an Oakland coal shipping port, despite leaders of the California city voting this week to ban coal, citing environmental concerns.

About 20 laws are taking effect Friday, many involving budget matters that correlate with the July 1 start of the new budget year.

Most of the law passed this year already took effect May 10, a default date marking 60 days from the end of the Utah's short legislative session.

Highlights of the handful of new laws taking effect on Friday:

Oakland Coal Port

The new law to fund Utah's investment in the Oakland port shuffles around taxpayer money from several funds. Utah's governor and lawmakers say the project is a worthwhile investment and would help the state's rural coal country send its product to overseas markets in Asia. It could also be used to export products such as potash or salt, they say.

On Monday, the Oakland City Council voted to bar coal and petroleum coke at the city's shipping terminals. It's unclear if plans for the terminal will go forward with products other than coal being shipped, or if the matter will end up in court, something a lawyer for the group trying to construct the port hinted at this week.

Utah's law also allows the state to use the money it stashed for projects such as oil and gas pipelines, power lines or rail projects. Utah's Permanent Community Impact Fund Board, which controls the money, had planned to hold onto the funds for about a year while a consultant looked over details regarding the Oakland terminal project and Utah counties submitted a proposal to the board about the investment.

The board's plan has not changed at this point, said Christina Davis, a spokeswoman for Utah's Department of Workforce Services, which oversees the board.

Public Lands Lawsuit

One new law would set up a fund for other states or private individuals to donate to Utah's potential lawsuit to try to force the federal government to give up control of more than 30 million acres of public land. Utah lawmakers have already put aside $4.5 million for the case, which is estimated to cost up to $14 million. Utah lawmakers say they expect any lawsuit would not be launched until 2017, but the decision rests with Utah's attorney general.

Payday Lending

Payday lenders are now required to run a credit check on new customers starting Friday. If someone defaults on their payments, lenders must notify the person how they can pay off the loan with an extended payment plan, under the new law. It also adds new reporting requirements, including how many times they go to court to seek repayments from someone.

Water Infastructure

This law would greenlight the transfer of tens of millions of dollars from transportation projects to fund water projects, which could include the controversial Lake Powell pipeline in southwestern Utah. The billion-dollar pipeline would pull water from the Colorado River to growing southwestern Utah counties. Critics have questioned how water users and water districts will pay for the project, and say the pipeline may not be needed, pointing to a state report last summer that found water officials don't know exactly how much water Utah residents are using or when the state will face a shortage.

Lawmakers voting for the measure say that the law doesn't commit Utah to building any particular project but ensures the state can pay for infrastructure years from now.

Al Gore's daughter in court after arrest at pipeline protest

Associated Press

BOSTON — Former Vice President Al Gore's daughter and other activists arrested at a protest of a natural gas pipeline in Boston have pleaded not guilty to misdemeanor charges.

Karenna Gore, activist Tim DeChristopher and nine others were arraigned Friday on charges including trespassing, resisting arrest and disturbing the peace.

Twenty-three protesters were arrested Wednesday when they tried to block construction of Spectra Energy's West Roxbury Lateral pipeline.

Several of those arrested struck deals to have their charges reduced to civil infractions or to serve probation.

Gore, DeChristopher and four others didn't agree to those conditions and were ordered back to court July 29. They also were ordered to stay away from the pipeline construction site.

Houston-based Spectra Energy Corp. says the pipeline will provide a reliable energy source.

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Murray Energy seeks to layoff thousands in 6 states

Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Giant coal producer Murray Energy has issued notices that it could lay off up to 4,400 coal mine workers in six states come September.

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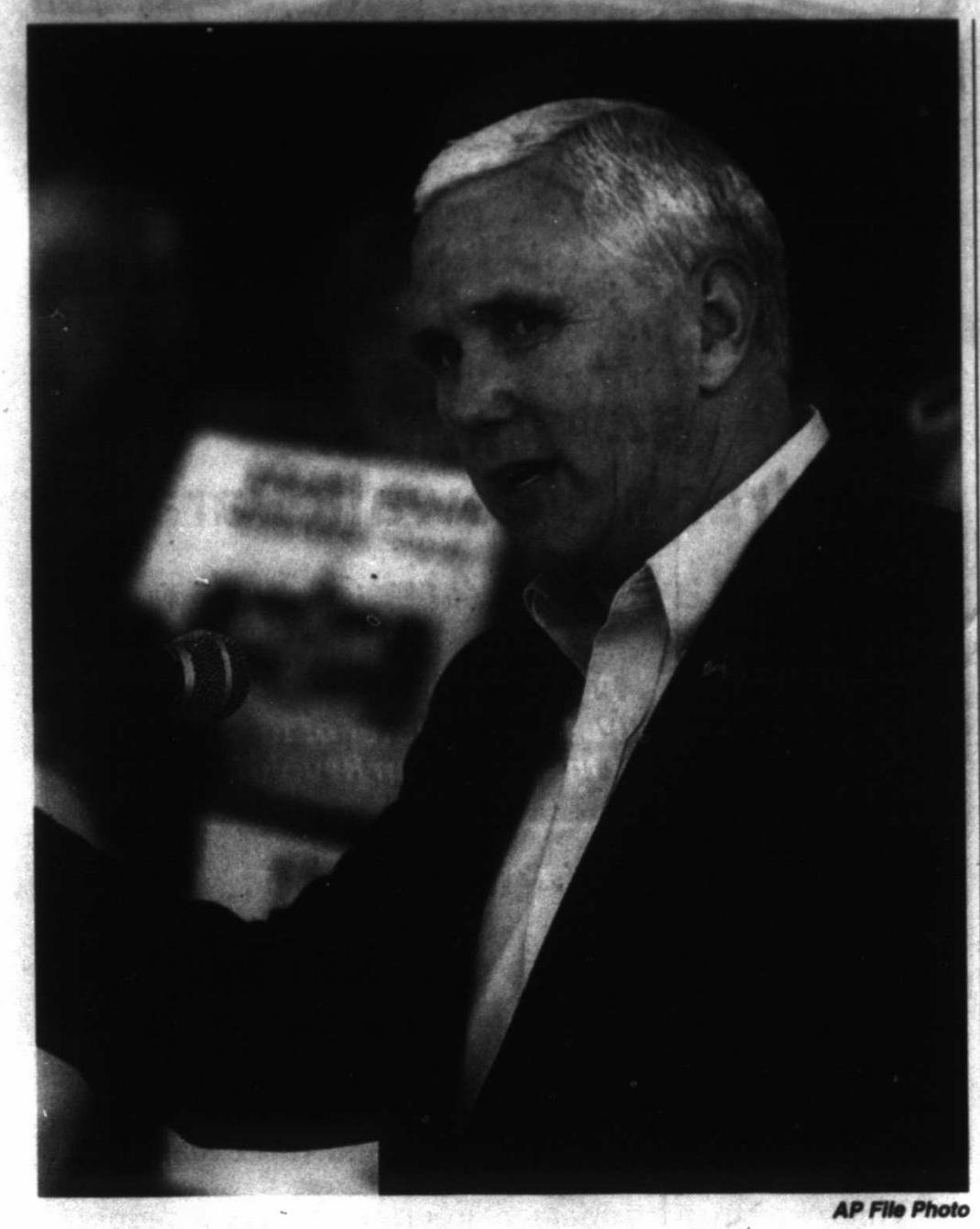

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Oregon minimum wage, hotel tax going up

By Kristena Hansen
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — New laws kicking in Friday will give a slight boost to the paychecks of more than 100,000 low-income Oregonians while tourists and vacationers will have a little less spending money in their wallets.

Under the changes enacted by the Legislature earlier this year, the current 1 percent tax on hotel stays in Oregon will nearly double and the state's $9.25 hourly minimum wage will climb by 50 cents in two of three newly-created geographic regions — metro Portland and smaller cities such as Eugene and Salem — and 25 cents in the third area's rural communities located mostly east.

The lodging tax hike to 1.8 percent, which will slip to 1.5 percent in four years, will help create a $25 million-subsidy for the 2021 World Track and Field Championships in Eugene and provide additional state tourism funds.

Friday's wage increase is the first of seven happening annually through 2022, when metro Portland's minimum will top $14.75, smaller cities at $13.50 and rural areas at $12.50.

With the federal $7.25 minimum unchanged in seven years, unions and labor groups have recently been pressing states and localities nationwide to make up the slack. A dozen state legislatures did so in 2014 and 2015, and this year California and New York became the first to adopt $15 hourly minimums, higher than any other.

Oregon falls short of $15, but it's the first state to toss the flat, statewide minimum for a tiered approach by region, where the differing wage rates are based on each area's unique costs of living and other economic factors.

"In the past six years, the number of people moving to Oregon has increased by 10 percent while much of our state's job growth is happening in the low wage sectors of the economy. Combine that trend with housing costs skyrocketing and we have a problem," Tom Chamberlain, president of the Oregon AFL-CIO union, said in a statement. "Solving that problem requires a multifaceted approach, and raising wages is central to that approach."

Instructions for businesses with employees who work across two or all three regions, such as delivery trucks and landscapers, were crafted by the state labor bureau, which released the final rules two weeks ago after weeks of public hearings and debate.

Workers earn the wage from whichever region they spend more than half their time, the rules say, and if their schedules are more spread out, bosses can either pay by hours worked in each region or the highest rate of whichever region they work.

Senate Republicans, who tried blocking the wage law during February's legislative session along with their House colleagues, blasted the rules as an "hour-by-hour GPS-like employee tracking" that put expensive burdens on businesses.

"These new rules show an acknowledgement that (the labor bureau) disregarded legislative intent and created a mess for employers," Ted Ferrioli, Senate GOP minority leader, said in a statement Friday. "Oregon small business owners are already struggling to comply with numerous expensive new mandates from the Legislature."

Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian defended his agency's minimum wage rules.

"Our agency developed rules that provide basic fairness to both employers and employees as the Oregon raises its wage floor for more than 100,000 workers around the state," said Avakian, a Democrat who is also running for secretary of state. "Today's wage increase will mean fewer families living in poverty and more consumer dollars spent on local goods."

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By Stephen Braun
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Long regarded as having one of the shrewdest political minds among recent presidents, Bill Clinton has at times angered and alienated Democrats and Republicans alike while campaigning for his wife, Hillary Clinton.

His apparently spur-of-the moment decision to chat this week with Attorney General Loretta Lynch even as her agency is overseeing a sensitive investigation of his wife's use of a private email server as secretary of state was only the latest in a series of loose-cannon episodes.

In 2008:

■ In remarks that struck some as racial politics, Bill Clinton equated Barack Obama's win in the South Carolina Democratic primary in January 2008 with Jesse Jackson's victories in the state in 1984 and 1988. He touched off a furor about whether he was diminishing Obama's achievement in a state where African-Americans make up a significant bloc of the Democratic electorate by citing past victories by another black candidate.

■ Days before the New Hampshire primary, Bill Clinton infuriated some Democrats when he dismissed Obama's opposition to the Iraq war. "Give me a break," Clinton said. "This whole thing is the biggest fairy tale I've ever seen." As a New York senator, Hillary Clinton voted to give President George W. Bush the authority to use military force, an issue that dogged her through the campaign.

In 2016:

■ Contrasting his wife's campaign with Sen. Bernie Sanders', Bill Clinton ticked off Sanders supporters on Feb. 15 in Riviera Beach, Florida, by comparing them to GOP tea party activists. Both groups, Clinton said, were falling for unfulfillable promises. In the GOP, "they just tell people what they want to hear, move them to the right and we'll be rewarded — except they didn't get anything done," he said, adding: "That's going on now in our party."

■ Clinton urged voters in March in Spokane, Washington, to "put the awful legacy of the last eight years behind us." He was apparently referring to Republican intransigence in Congress, but the line appeared to tar the Obama administration, too. He said people should vote for his wife "because she's the only person who basically has good ideas."

■ Clinton sparred strenuously with Black Lives Matters protesters who interrupted his campaign speech in Philadelphia in April. He said, on one hand, that "black youth are not super predators," a reference to his wife's 1996 speech about violent crimes committed by young people. Yet, in defending his administration's backing of a contentious federal crime bill that stiffened penalties, he also said his wife's phrase was correct. "Maybe you thought they were good citizens," he said. "She didn't."

■ In May, in Kokomo, Indiana, he dismissed the flap over his wife's use of a private email server as secretary of state as no more than "a game" — this, despite the FBI's continuing criminal investigation of the matter.

"So everybody's breathless about this," he said. "Look, this is a game."

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Westar Energy Inc. asks Kansas agency to approve $12.2B sale

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TOPEKA, Kan. — A joint application to approve the $12.2 billion sale of Westar Energy Inc. has been filed with the Kansas Corporation Commission.

The Topeka Capital-Journal reportes that Great Plains Energy Inc., Kansas City Power and Light and Westar filed the application Tuesday. If approved, Westar would be sold to Great Plains.

Great Plains is the parent company of KCP&L.

According to the filing, pre-tax savings and efficiencies for Great Plains and Westar are estimated to be about $65 million in the first year after the transaction closes.

The companies say those savings are expected to increase to nearly $200 million annually. The filing says the transaction will create a significant state income tax benefit.

Subject to regulatory agency approvals, including those from KCC and the Federal Energy Regulatory Agency, the companies said the goal is to close the sale in spring 2017. The Missouri Public Service Commission, that state's utility regulatory agency, is still evaluating whether it should have jurisdiction in the sale.

"There's a whole battery of checkboxes they have to fill out so the fiscal and societal impact on the state is examined," KCC spokesman Samir Arif said of the two companies, adding that the KCC will explore issues like the sale's effect on labor displacement, rates, the environment and overall energy policy.

The commission has 60 days to set a procedural schedule regarding the potential sale.

PNM loses support for rate increase request after hearings

Associated Press

SANTA FE, N.M. — Bernalillo County and other groups have withdrawn their support for Public Service Company of New Mexico's request for a rate increase in light of new information provided at hearings.

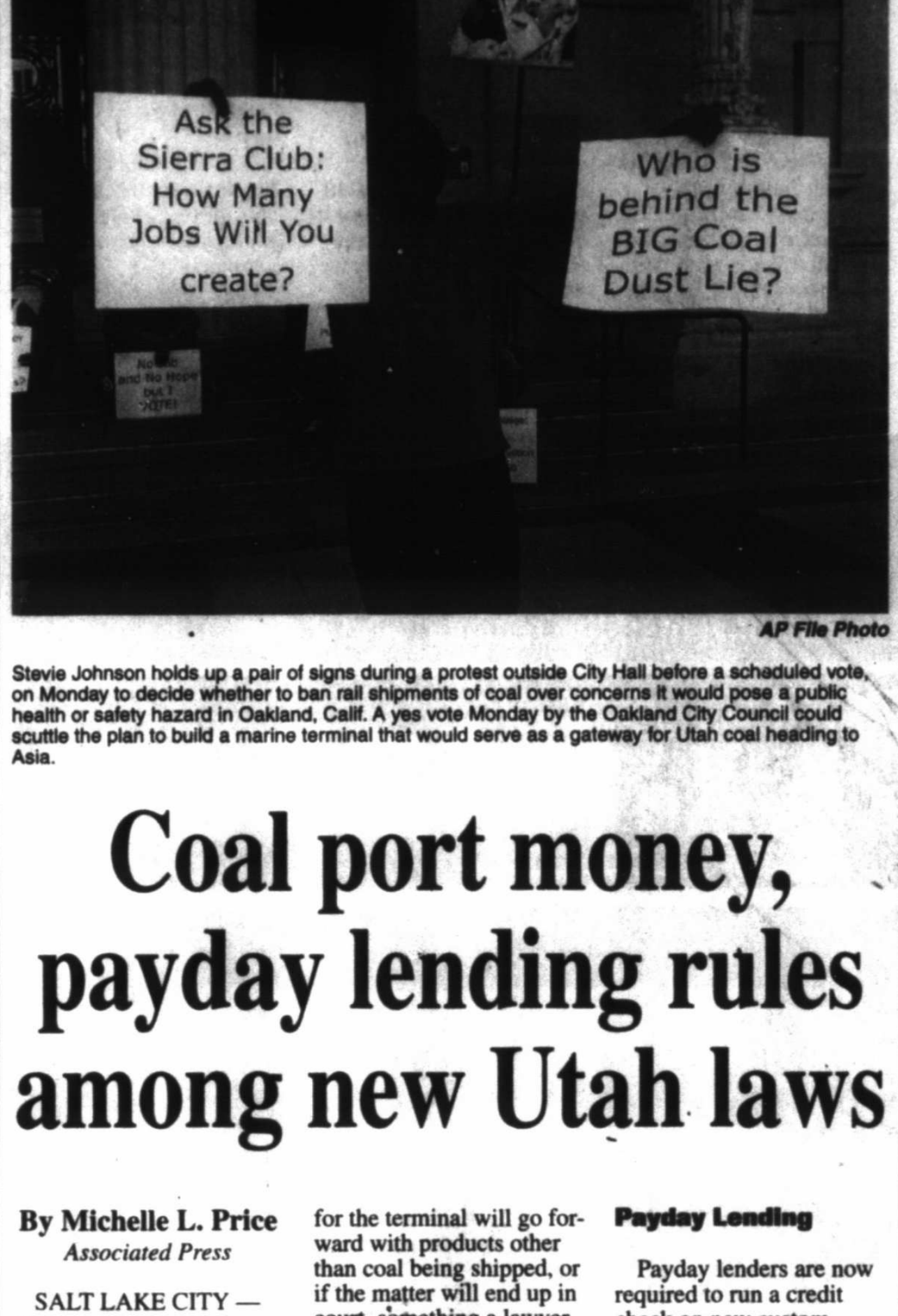
PNM wants to increase its collections from customers by about $123.5 million per year, raising rates by an average of 14.39 percent, The Santa Fe New Mexican reported

The revenue will help cover the purchase of power from the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station in Arizona, company officials said. The rate increase would also cover some $655 million in capital investments the utility has made since 2011 and will make through the end of 2016.

The power from the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station is intended to help fill part of the void that will be left by the closure in 2017 of two units at the coal-fired San Juan Generating Station in northwest New Mexico. The planned closure is the result of an agreement with state and federal officials to curb haze-causing pollution in the region.

The Public Regulation Commission heard arguments on the rate request in April and June and reopened hearings this week to allow commissioners to consider new evidence.

PRC spokesman Carlos Padilla said the new evidence shows the company already recovered from customers the costs of leasing and maintaining the plant, improving infrastructure and buying fuel. As a result, the PRC's staff has retracted its testimony in support of the increase, Padilla said Thursday.



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Stevie Johnson holds up a pair of signs during a protest outside City Hall before a scheduled vote, on Monday to decide whether to ban rail shipments of coal over concerns it would pose a public health or safety hazard in Oakland, Calif. A yes vote Monday by the Oakland City Council could scuttle the plan to build a marine terminal that would serve as a gateway for Utah coal heading to Asia.

Coal port money, payday lending rules among new Utah laws

By Michelle L. Price
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — New laws that took effect in Utah on Friday include added restrictions on payday lenders and a path for Utah to invest more than $50 million in an Oakland coal shipping port, despite leaders of the California city voting this week to ban coal, citing environmental concerns.

About 20 laws are taking effect Friday, many involving budget matters that correlate with the July 1 start of the new budget year.

Most of the law passed this year already took effect May 10, a default date marking 60 days from the end of the Utah's short legislative session.

Highlights of the handful of new laws taking effect on Friday:

Oakland Coal Port

The new law to fund Utah's investment in the Oakland port shuffles around taxpayer money from several funds. Utah's governor and lawmakers say the project is a worthwhile investment and would help the state's rural coal country send its product to overseas markets in Asia. It could also be used to export products such as potash or salt, they say.

On Monday, the Oakland City Council voted to bar coal and petroleum coke at the city's shipping terminals. It's unclear if plans for the terminal will go forward with products other than coal being shipped, or if the matter will end up in court, something a lawyer for the group trying to construct the port hinted at this week.

Utah's law also allows the state to use the money it stashed for projects such as oil and gas pipelines, power lines or rail projects. Utah's Permanent Community Impact Fund Board, which controls the money, had planned to hold onto the funds for about a year while a consultant looked over details regarding the Oakland terminal project and Utah counties submitted a proposal to the board about the investment.

The board's plan has not changed at this point, said Christina Davis, a spokeswoman for Utah's Department of Workforce Services, which oversees the board.

Public Lands Lawsuit

One new law would set up a fund for other states or private individuals to donate to Utah's potential lawsuit to try to force the federal government to give up control of more than 30 million acres of public land. Utah lawmakers have already put aside $4.5 million for the case, which is estimated to cost up to $14 million. Utah lawmakers say they expect any lawsuit would not be launched until 2017, but the decision rests with Utah's attorney general.

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Water Infastructure

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Lawmakers voting for the measure say that the law doesn't commit Utah to building any particular project but ensures the state can pay for infrastructure years from now.

Al Gore's daughter in court after arrest at pipeline protest

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BOSTON — Former Vice President Al Gore's daughter and other activists arrested at a protest of a natural gas pipeline in Boston have pleaded not guilty to misdemeanor charges.

Karenna Gore, activist Tim DeChristopher and nine others were arraigned Friday on charges including trespassing, resisting arrest and disturbing the peace.

Twenty-three protesters were arrested Wednesday when they tried to block construction of Spectra Energy's West Roxbury Lateral pipeline.

Several of those arrested struck deals to have their charges reduced to civil infractions or to serve probation.

Gore, DeChristopher and four others didn't agree to those conditions and were ordered back to court July 29. They also were ordered to stay away from the pipeline construction site.

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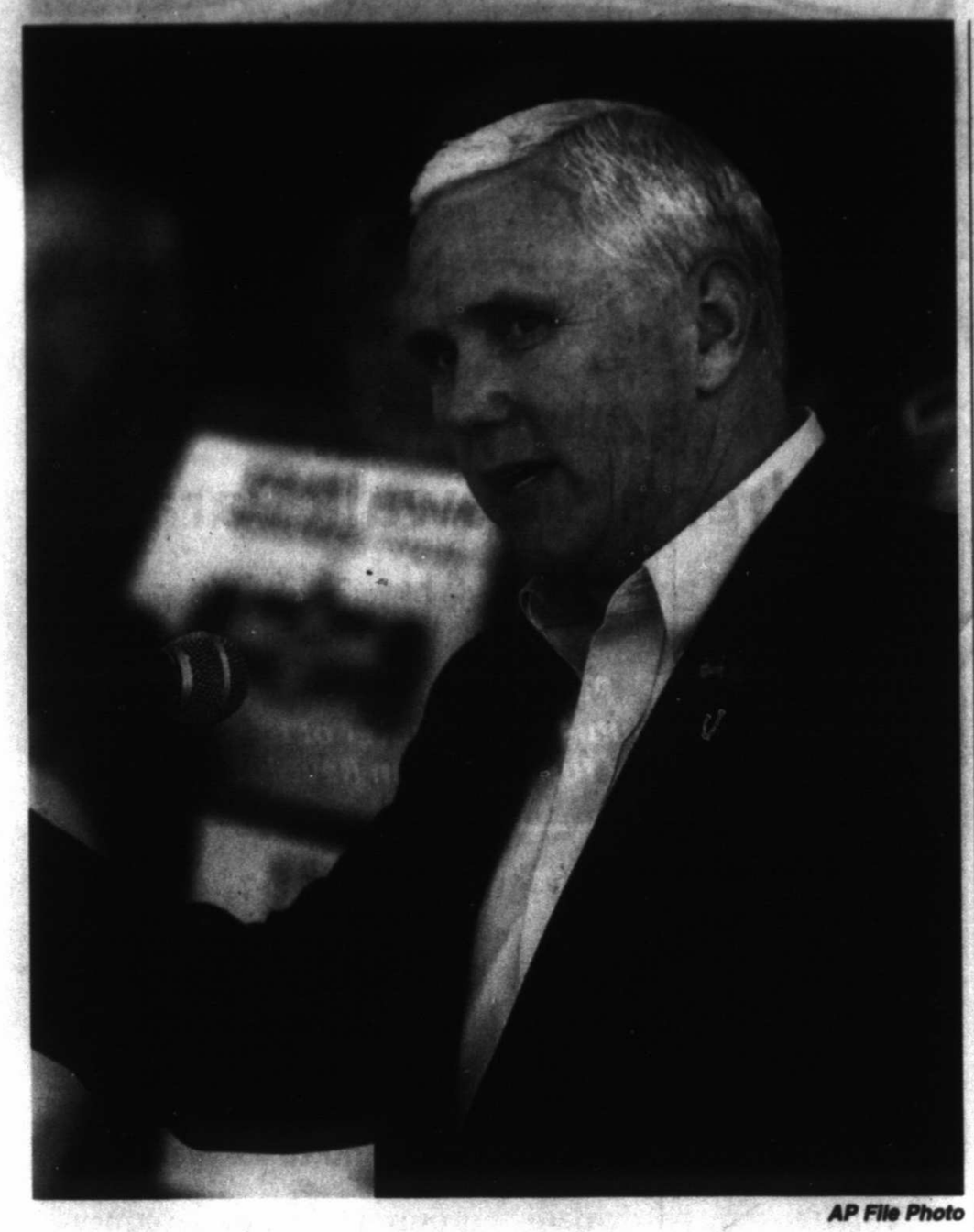

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"That would soothe some concerns — but not all of them," said Kevin Madden, a former adviser to Mitt Romney, the 2012 Republican nominee.

Clinton is expected to wait until after the Republican convention to announce her running mate, allowing her to use her pick to distract from any boost Trump receives from the GOP gathering. She and her running mate will be nominated at the Democratic convention in Philadelphia the last week in this month.

Oregon minimum wage, hotel tax going up

By Kristena Hansen
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — New laws kicking in Friday will give a slight boost to the paychecks of more than 100,000 low-income Oregonians while tourists and vacationers will have a little less spending money in their wallets.

Under the changes enacted by the Legislature earlier this year, the current 1 percent tax on hotel stays in Oregon will nearly double and the state's $9.25 hourly minimum wage will climb by 50 cents in two of three newly-created geographic regions — metro Portland and smaller cities such as Eugene and Salem — and 25 cents in the third area's rural communities located mostly east.

The lodging tax hike to 1.8 percent, which will slip to 1.5 percent in four years, will help create a $25 million-subsidy for the 2021 World Track and Field Championships in Eugene and provide additional state tourism funds.

Friday's wage increase is the first of seven happening annually through 2022, when metro Portland's minimum will top $14.75, smaller cities at $13.50 and rural areas at $12.50.

With the federal $7.25 minimum unchanged in seven years, unions and labor groups have recently been pressing states and localities nationwide to make up the slack. A dozen state legislatures did so in 2014 and 2015, and this year California and New York became the first to adopt $15 hourly minimums, higher than any other.

Oregon falls short of $15, but it's the first state to toss the flat, statewide minimum for a tiered approach by region, where the differing wage rates are based on each area's unique costs of living and other economic factors.

"In the past six years, the number of people moving to Oregon has increased by 10 percent while much of our state's job growth is happening in the low wage sectors of the economy. Combine that trend with housing costs skyrocketing and we have a problem," Tom Chamberlain, president of the Oregon AFL-CIO union, said in a statement. "Solving that problem requires a multifaceted approach, and raising wages is central to that approach."

Instructions for businesses with employees who work across two or all three regions, such as delivery trucks and landscapers, were crafted by the state labor bureau, which released the final rules two weeks ago after weeks of public hearings and debate.

Workers earn the wage from whichever region they spend more than half their time, the rules say, and if their schedules are more spread out, bosses can either pay by hours worked in each region or the highest rate of whichever region they work.

Senate Republicans, who tried blocking the wage law during February's legislative session along with their House colleagues, blasted the rules as an "hour-by-hour GPS-like employee tracking" that put expensive burdens on businesses.

"These new rules show an acknowledgement that (the labor bureau) disregarded legislative intent and created a mess for employers," Ted Ferrioli, Senate GOP minority leader, said in a statement Friday. "Oregon small business owners are already struggling to comply with numerous expensive new mandates from the Legislature."

Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian defended his agency's minimum wage rules.

"Our agency developed rules that provide basic fairness to both employers and employees as the Oregon raises its wage floor for more than 100,000 workers around the state," said Avakian, a Democrat who is also running for secretary of state. "Today's wage increase will mean fewer families living in poverty and more consumer dollars spent on local goods."

Bill Clinton has had a few loose-cannon episodes

By Stephen Braun
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Long regarded as having one of the shrewdest political minds among recent presidents, Bill Clinton has at times angered and alienated Democrats and Republicans alike while campaigning for his wife, Hillary Clinton.

His apparently spur-of-the moment decision to chat this week with Attorney General Loretta Lynch even as her agency is overseeing a sensitive investigation of his wife's use of a private email server as secretary of state was only the latest in a series of loose-cannon episodes.

In 2008:

■ In remarks that struck some as racial politics, Bill Clinton equated Barack Obama's win in the South Carolina Democratic primary in January 2008 with Jesse Jackson's victories in the state in 1984 and 1988. He touched off a furor about whether he was diminishing Obama's achievement in a state where African-Americans make up a significant bloc of the Democratic electorate by citing past victories by another black candidate.

■ Days before the New Hampshire primary, Bill Clinton infuriated some Democrats when he dismissed Obama's opposition to the Iraq war. "Give me a break," Clinton said. "This whole thing is the biggest fairy tale I've ever seen." As a New York senator, Hillary Clinton voted to give President George W. Bush the authority to use military force, an issue that dogged her through the campaign.

In 2016:

■ Contrasting his wife's campaign with Sen. Bernie Sanders', Bill Clinton ticked off Sanders supporters on Feb. 15 in Riviera Beach, Florida, by comparing them to GOP tea party activists. Both groups, Clinton said, were falling for unfulfillable promises. In the GOP, "they just tell people what they want to hear, move them to the right and we'll be rewarded — except they didn't get anything done," he said, adding: "That's going on now in our party."

■ Clinton urged voters in March in Spokane, Washington, to "put the awful legacy of the last eight years behind us." He was apparently referring to Republican intransigence in Congress, but the line appeared to tar the Obama administration, too. He said people should vote for his wife "because she's the only person who basically has good ideas."

■ Clinton sparred strenuously with Black Lives Matters protesters who interrupted his campaign speech in Philadelphia in April. He said, on one hand, that "black youth are not super predators," a reference to his wife's 1996 speech about violent crimes committed by young people. Yet, in defending his administration's backing of a contentious federal crime bill that stiffened penalties, he also said his wife's phrase was correct. "Maybe you thought they were good citizens," he said. "She didn't."

■ In May, in Kokomo, Indiana, he dismissed the flap over his wife's use of a private email server as secretary of state as no more than "a game" — this, despite the FBI's continuing criminal investigation of the matter.

"So everybody's breathless about this," he said. "Look, this is a game."

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Leading WI GOPers split with Ryan, Walker over convention

By Alan Fram
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two top Wisconsin Republicans with significant roles in this month's GOP national convention are splitting with their state's highest profile politicians, House Speaker Paul Ryan and Gov. Scott Walker, in an internal fight over how delegates should vote at the gathering. The Wisconsin GOP activists, Steve King and Mary Buestrin, wrote a letter Friday calling an effort by party rebels to let delegates vote for any presidential candidate "an attempt to disenfranchise the 14 million Republican primary voters who voted for Donald Trump and destroy our chances to win in November." The letter was sent to members of the convention's rules committee, on which both serve. A group of renegade delegates and other GOP activists want delegates pledged to specific candidates be allowed to back anyone they want at the Cleveland convention. They seem likely to lose. Ryan's support has been tepid and he's frequently criticized Trump statements, while Walker was initially a rival presidential candidate.

Ryan spokesman Zack Roday said, "Speaker Ryan isn't going to tell members of the House Republican Conference to do something that's contrary to their conscience." That was a reference to Ryan also saying GOP lawmakers should follow "their conscience" in deciding whether to endorse Trump.

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RockHounds executives elected to TL HOF

From staff reports

Midland RockHounds co-owners Miles Prentice and Bob Richmond, general manager Monty Hoppel and broadcaster Bob Hards were among 11 new members elected to the Texas League Hall of Fame during a Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday prior to the league's All-Star Game in Springfield, Missouri.

Hards

The four RockHounds front office executives were joined in the 2016 Hall of Fame class by outgoing league president Tom Kayser, former Wichita and Corpus Christi manager Keith Bodie, 1979 Texas League Player of the Year Mark Brouhard of El Paso, San Antonio owner Dave Elmore, 11-year Texas League pitcher Ash Hillen, Corpus Christi executive Ken Schrom and San Antonio team president Burl Yarbrough.

All four Midland honorees have spent at least 26 years together.

"We all came here within a few years of each other," Hoppel said. "Bob (Hards) was kind in disbelief too. It was a nice surprise and a great honor. It's kind of humbling because I don't personally feel I need to be in the Hall of Fame, but I guess I don't have that choice."

Richmond and Prentice have co-owned the Midland club since 1990. Under their ownership, the Midland franchise was named the Bob Frietas Double-A club of the year in 1995, which recognizes minor league teams on a national level based on their operations, business success and community involvement.

Hoppel, who joined Midland in 1989 just prior to Prentice and Richmond purchasing the team, has been elected Texas League Executive of the Year five times during his 28-year association with the club. Midland has also been named Texas League Organization of the Year four times during the same span under Hoppel's direction. In 2010, Hoppel was honored by publication Baseball America as the Executive of the Year in all of minor league baseball.

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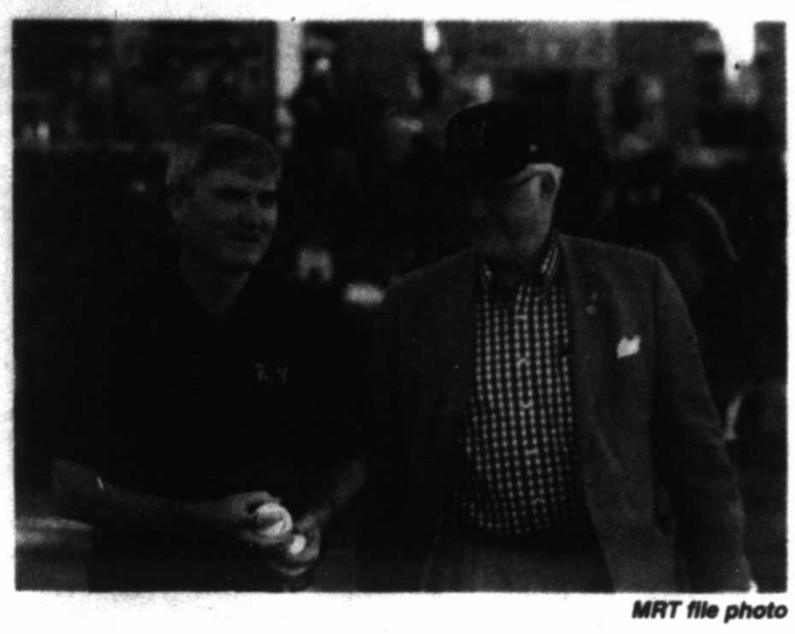

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RockHounds owner Miles Prentice, right, walks off the field with club general manager Monty Hoppel in 2010.

ON THE OFFENSIVE

MRT file photo

The Sockers' Jade Mesias moves the ball against Mississippi Brilla FC on May 26 at Grande Communications Stadium.

Sockers look to capitalize more on scoring chances

By Will Korn
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After 10 matches this season, the Sockers FC have established themselves as a sturdy club that is fully engaged in the Premier Development League playoff race.

But with four matches remaining — three against PDL Mid South Division-leading Oklahoma City Energy U23 (7-2-1, 22 points) — the Sockers still have a bit of work to do before they can begin firing on all cylinders.

The club is hoping it can revive a seemingly snakebitten offense and pair it with an already suffocating defense, when it hosts St. Louis FC U23 (2-7-2, 8 points) at 7:30 p.m. today at Grande Communications Stadium.

The Sockers (6-1-3, 21 points) have allowed just eight goals thus far, ninth-fewest in the 67-team PDL. They are also generating plenty of scoring opportunities, as they have taken the sixth-most shots (117) league-wide this year entering today's match.

But they aren't reaping much of a reward from all of those chances. The team has scored more than one goal in just three of its last eight matches and has tallied just 13 goals on the year. That scoring total ranks 31st in the league.

For third-year head coach Matt Barnes, the offensive struggle isn't due to a lack of talent or effort, but rather, is a classic case of failing to capitalize on easy scoring opportunities.

"I think it's us," Barnes said. "When we don't finish the easy shots, we make it really hard on ourselves. It probably takes us three, four times the amount of chances (as other teams) just to put one in the back of the net.

"It hasn't been fantastic goalkeeping (against the Sockers). It's just been a matter of missed opportunities in front of the net for us."

Twenty-six-year-old Brazilian forward Bruno Henrique, who leads the Sockers in both goals (4) and shots on goal (19) in his first season with the club, echoed Barnes' sentiment.

He said he believes spotty focus has been the culprit and added that finishing easier chances has been a point of emphasis for Barnes and the team during practice lately.

"I would say (it's) a lack of focus, especially from me," said Henrique. "I'm one of the guys that has the most shots on the team. I know coach (Barnes) has been pressing this every day (about) high-percentage finishing.

"During the game — I don't know why — but we get in front of the goal, and we're not putting the ball (into the net). It's a lack of focus and we need to work on that, practice every day and try to increase the number of goals."

While attempting to navigate their way through the scoring drought, Barnes and the players all know that they can fall back on a tight-knit chemistry that's emerged as one of the club's calling cards this season.

Please see SOCKERS/6B

Serena survives at Wimbledon, racket doesn't; Djokovic down

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

LONDON — Dismayed at dropping the first set after being a single point from taking it, Serena Williams sat in her Centre Court sideline chair and cracked her racket against the turf once, twice, three times, four.

Williams

Then she casually flung the racket, hurling it so far behind her that it landed in the lap of a TV cameraman filming her second-round match against 65th-ranked American Christina McHale.

Williams recovered to force a third set, only to fall behind yet again Friday, perilously close to what would have been the six-time champion's earliest exit in 17 Wimbledon appearances.

But as she herself declared afterward: "Mentally, no one can break me."

Eventually, the top-ranked Williams did indeed come through, edging McHale 6-7 (7), 6-2, 6-4 for a thrill-a-minute victory at a tournament so rain drenched this week that matches will be scheduled on the middle Sunday for only the fourth time in 139 years.

The dramatics of Williams match, which concluded with the main stadium's retractable roof closed, were equaled by those of her older sister Venus: She had to wait out three rain delays, including one of more than an hour that arrived, of all times, right as she held a match point. But Venus, owner of five titles at the All England Club, persevered, too, barely getting past 29th-seeded Daria Kasatkina 7-5, 4-6, 10-8 to become one of only two women already into the fourth round.

"You see a winner go by you, and a lob go in, and you're like, 'My god, what's next?'" said Venus, who at 36 is the oldest woman in the field and has played about 6 1/2 hours of tennis in the past two days, including singles and doubles.

Of the way things went for her Friday, including the interruption at match point while she led 5-4 in the third and Kasatkina served at 30-40, Venus said: "It was like a Hollywood script."

Serena's mood soured when she had a set point in the first and appeared to have converted it, until McHale — who's never been past the third round at a major — successfully challenged the call that her shot landed out. From there, McHale played aggressively, and when she grabbed that set, 21-time Grand Slam champion Serena took out her frustration on her racket.

"I was just really, really, really angry. I had a lot of chances," said Serena, who acknowledged she faces a fine for her display and joked that she needed to reach her racket-smashing quota for the season. "She got really lucky on some shots."

Despite all that went on in the siblings' matches — they overlapped, so their

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BASKETBALL

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BOXING

Jamel Herring vs. Denis Shafikov, 8 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP

Zulina Munoz vs. Vanesa Taborda, 9 p.m., AZTECA

Zulina Munoz vs. Vanesa Taborda, 10 p.m., beIN2

CYCLING

Tour de France, Stage 1: Mont-Saint-Michel to Utah Beach, 5:30 a.m., NBCSN

GOLF

EPGA: 100th Open de France, 3rd Round, 6:30 a.m., GOLF

PGA: WGC-Bridgestone Invitational, 3rd Round, 11 a.m., GOLF

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LPGA: Cambia Portland Classic, 3rd Round, 3 p.m., GOLF

PGA: Barracuda Championship, 3rd Round, 6 p.m., GOLF

MLB

Cleveland at Toronto, Noon, MLB

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Chicago White Sox at Houston, 3 p.m., ROOT

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NY Yankees at San Diego, 9 p.m., FS1

MEN'S SOCCER

EURO 2016: Germany vs. Italy, 2 p.m., ESPN2, ESPNDEP

Brazil: Fluminense vs. Coritiba, 2 p.m., GolTV

Brazil: Atletico PR vs. America MG, 4:30 p.m., GolTV

Friendly: Pumas de la UNAM vs. Santos Laguna, 5:50 p.m., UDN

NASL: New York Cosmos vs. Ottawa Fury FC, 6 p.m., OWSPN

NASL: Tampa Bay Rowdies vs. Jacksonville Armada FC, 6:30 p.m., beIN

NASL: Fort Lauderdale Strikers vs. Miami FC, 6:30 p.m., GolTV

NASL: Rayo OKC vs. FC Edmonton, 8 p.m.,CBSSN

OLYMPIC TRIALS

Track & Field: Women's 1,0000m, Women's Long Jump, Women's Discus, Paralympic Track & Field, 1 p.m., NBC

Decathlon & Swimming Qualifying Heats: Women's 50m Freestyle, Men's 1,500m Freestyle, 4 p.m., NBCSN

Swimming Finals: Women's 200m Backstroke, Women's 800m Freestyle, Men's 50m Freestyle, Men's 100m Butterfly, 6 p.m., NBCSN

TENNIS

Wimbledon, 7 a.m., ESPN

ON RADIO

MLB

Texas at Minnesota, 1 p.m., KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa), KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

TEXAS LEAGUE BASEBALL

Midland at Northwest Arkansas, 6:30 p.m., KCRS 97.5 FM/550 AM

WHAT'S ON DECK

Soccer

St. Louis FC U23 at Sockers FC, 7:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball

MLB — Banned the Boston Red Sox from signing international amateur free agents for one year after the team broke rules on signing bonuses last summer.

MLB — Named John Tumpane to the full-time Major League umpiring staff.

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Reinstated RHP Vance Worley and C Caleb Joseph from the 15-day DL. Selected the contract of RHP Chaz Roe from Norfolk (IL). Optioned RHP Oliver Drake and C Francisco Pena to Norfolk. Placed LHP TJ. McFarland on the 15-day DL, retroactive to June 29.

BOSTON RED SOX — Activated OF-INF Brock Holt from the 15-day DL. Optioned INF Mike Miller to Pawtucket (IL).

CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Placed 3B Matt Davidson on the 15-day DL. Recalled INF Carlos Sanchez from Charlotte (IL).

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Signed of INF Nolan Jones to a minor league contract.

LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Reinstated RHP Joe Smith from the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Mike Morin to Salt Lake (PCL).

MINNESOTA TWINS — Reinstated DH-OF Miguel Sano from the 15-day DL. Optioned 1B-DH Byung Ho Park to Rochester (IL).

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Recalled INF-OF Tyler Ladendorf from Nashville (PCL) Optioned LHP Dillon Overton to Nashville

National League

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Placed LHP Clayton Kershaw and OF Joc Pederson on the 15-day DL, retroactive to June 29. Activated RHP Bud Norris. Selected the contract of OF Will Venable from Oklahoma City (PCL). Designated RHP for assignment.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Placed LHP Kevin Siegrist on the 15-day DL, retroactive to June 30. Recalled RHP Sam Tuivailala from Memphis (PCL).

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Activated RHP Paul Clemens. Selected the contract of RHP Jose Dominguez from El Paso (PCL). Placed RHP Erik Johnson on the 15-day DL, retroactive to June 29. Reinstated LHP Buddy Baumann from the 60-day DL and optioned him to El Paso. Transferred RHP Cesar Vargas to the 60-day DL.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Agreed to terms with RHP Dane Dunning and LHP Hayden Howard on minor league contracts.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA — Announced free agent OJ Mayo was dismissed and disqualified from the league for violating the terms of the NBA/NBPA Anti-Drug Program.

LOS ANGELES LAKERS — Named Brian Shaw, Jesse Mermuys and Mark Madsen assistant coaches.

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER — Named Adrian Griffin assistant coach. Promoted Vin Shahvnani and Royal Ivey to assistant coaches.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL — Suspended Baltimore TE Darren Waller the first four games of the 2016 season for violating the NFL Policy and Program for Substances of Abuse.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ARIZONA COYOTES — Signed F Jamie McGinn to a three-year contract and D Kevin Connauton to a two-year contract. Signed D Jamie McBain, D Justin Peters, F Chris Mueller, D Jarred Tinordi, F Garret Ross and D Klas Dahlbeck, F Ryan White to one-year contracts.

BOSTON BRUINS — Signed C David Backes to a five-year contract. Signed F Riley Nash and G Anton Khudobin to two-year contracts and D Tommy Cross and D John-Michael Liles and Fs Tyler Randell and Tim Schaller to one-year contracts.

BUFFALO SABRES — Agreed to terms with F Kyle Okposo on a seven-year contract.

CALGARY FLAMES — Signed F Troy Brouwer to a four-year contract and G Chad Johnson to a one-year contract.

CAROLINA HURRICANES — Agreed to terms with RW Lee Stempniak on a two-year contract. Signed F Viktor Stalberg and F Andrew Miller to one-year contracts. Named Peter Anderson assistant coach, Myles Fee video coach and Bryn-Marc Conaway strength and conditioning coach for Charlotte (AHL).

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Agreed to terms with D Brian Campbell and Fs Sam Carrick, Spencer Abbott and Pierre-Cedric Labrie on one-year contracts. Named Will Chulaemmar media relations assistant.

COLORADO AVALANCHE — Signed Fs Joe Colborne, Reid Petryk, and Trent Vogelhuber to two-year contracts. Signed D Fedor Tyutin, D Ryan Stanton, D Patrick Wiercioch, G Jeremy Smith and Fs Tomas Fleischmann, Jim O-Brien, Mike Sislo and Joe Whitney to one-year contracts.

DALLAS STARS — Signed D Dan Hamhuis and D Andrew Bodnarchuk to two-year contracts and D Dustin Stevenson to one-year contracts. Re-signed F Patrick Eaves to a one-year contract.

DETROIT RED WINGS — Agreed to terms with C Frans Nielsen on a six-year contract, F Darren Helm on a five-year contract, D Alexey Marchenko and F Matt Lorito on two-year contracts, and LW Thomas Vanek, F Tom Sheary, F Steve Ott and G Edward Pasquale on one-year contracts.

EDMONTON OILERS — Signed LW Milan Lucic to a seven-year contract and G Jonas Gustavsson to a one-year contract.

FLORIDA PANTHERS — Signed D Aaron Ekblad to an eight-year contract, G James Reimer to a five-year contract and Fs Colton Sceviour and Jonathan Marchessault to two-year contracts.

LOS ANGELES KINGS — Agreed to terms with G goaltender Jeff Zatkoff on a two-year contract and D Zach Trotman, C Michael Latta and D Tom Gilbert on one-year contracts.

MINNESOTA WILD — Agreed to terms with C Eric Staal on a three-year contract and LW Chris Stewart, G Alex Stalock, D Victor Bartley and F Pat Cannone on one-year contracts.

MONTREAL CANADIENS — Agreed to terms with D Zach Redmond on a two-year contract. Signed Fs Alexander Radulov and Daniel Carr and G Al Montoya to one-year contracts.

NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Signed D Yannick Weber and D Matt Irwin to one-year contracts.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Signed D Ben Lovejoy to a three-year contract and D Karl Stollery to a one-year contract. Re-signed RW Devante Smith-Pelly and D Jon Merrill to two-year contracts and F Beau Bennett. D Andrew MacWilliam, RW Carter Camper and C Vernon Fiddler to one-year contracts.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Agreed to terms with F Andrew Ladd on a seven-year contract and Fs Jason Chimera and Shane Prince on two-year contracts.

NEW YORK RANGERS — Named Jeff Beukeboom assistant coach. Agreed to terms with D Michael Grabner on a two-year contract and D Michael Paliotta, F Nathan Gerbe and D Adam Clendening on one-year contracts.

OTTAWA SENATORS — Signed D Michael Kostka, Fs Phil Varone, Casey Bailey, Friday Max McCormick and Chad Nehring to one-year contracts.

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS — Signed F Dale Weise to a four-year contract and Fs Boyd Gordon, Andy Miele, Greg Carey and D Will O'Neill to one-year contracts.

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS — Signed general manager Jim Rutherford to a three-year contract through the 2018-19 season. Signed F Tom Sestito, D Steve Oleksy and D Stuart Percy to one-year contracts.

ST. LOUIS BLUES — Signed G Jake Allen to a four-year contract extension. Signed F David Perron and G Carter Hutton to two-year contracts.

SAN JOSE SHARKS — Signed D David Schlemko and F Mikkel Boedker to four-year contracts.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Signed D Victor Hedman to an eight-year contract extension and G Andrei Vasilevskiy to a three-year contract extension. Signed Fs Pierre-Luc Letourneau-Leblond, Jeremy Morin, Gabriel Dumont and Michael Bournival to one-year contracts. Signed F Dennis Yen to a three-year, entry-level contract.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS — Signed F Matt Martin to a four-year contract.

VANCOUVER CANUCKS — Signed F Loui Eriksson to a six-year contract.

WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Signed G Joe Cannata, F Brett Connolly, D Darren Dietz and Fs Christian Thomas and Tom Wilson to one-year contracts.

WINNIPEG JETS — Agreed to terms C Shawn Matthias on a two-year contract and F Quinton Howden and D Brian Strait on one-year contracts.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

MLS — Fined FC Dallas President Dan Hunt an undisclosed amount for public criticism of the officials in relation to the FC Dallas at Sporting Kansas City match on June 18.

PORTLAND TIMBERS — Loaned M Dairon Asprilla to Millonarios FC (Colombia) through June 30, 2017.

COLLEGE

NCAA — Placed Jackson State men's tennis team has been placed on probation for one year and fined the school $5,000 with a public reprimand and censure after the coach allowed an ineligible player to compete under an eligible player's name. The former coach Scott Pennington received a two-year show-cause penalty through June 30, 2018.

FLORIDA STATE — Promoted athletic director Stan Wilcox to vice president and director of intercollegiate athletics and signed him to a contract extension through June 30, 2020.

FORDHAM — Promoted Rodney Crawford to men's associate head basketball coach, Tim Cary to assistant head football coach, Greg Marmoros to assistant athletic director for football operations, Clare Bennuto to director of women's basketball administration and special assistant to the head coach and Lisa Gruber assistant swimming coach.

IOWA — Named Courtney Eldridge men's basketball video coordinator.

MICHIGAN — Announced men's freshman basketball G Charles Matthews has transferred from Kentucky.

POST (CONN.) — Named Michelle Giardina women's bowling coach.

SAM HOUSTON STATE — Named Jimmy Smith and Chuck Taylor men's basketball assistant coaches.

WEST VIRGINIA — Announced redshirt sophomore OL Ray Raulerson has transferred from Tennessee.

YALE — Named Amanda Boulier women's assistant ice hockey coach.

NBA players cash in as free agency period opens

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press

AP file photo

Houston Rockets' Dwight Howard dunks against the Golden State Warriors during the first half in Game 4 of a first-round NBA playoff series in Houston on April 24.

All-Stars Andre Drummond and DeMar DeRozan are staying put, as are Hassan Whiteside and Nicolas Batum.

Many more players are on the move — and some are getting paid like they never could have imagined.

Chandler Parsons, Evan Turner and Timofey Mozgov were among the players cashing in Friday during the first day of free agency — and really, of a new era — in the NBA.

With revenues rising and the salary cap soaring right along with it, good players were being paid like All-Stars, while All-Stars were getting contracts that used to go only to superstars.

And the players at the top of the class haven't even started agreeing to deals yet. Kevin Durant and Al Horford probably can't wait to see what they get after watching what lesser players on the market have already received.

For example:

Parsons — four years, $94 million from Memphis.

Turner — four years, $70 million from Portland.

Mozgov — four years, $64 million from the Lakers.

Their timing was even better than their play, as they became free agents at the ideal moment. With the NBA's national TV contracts worth more than $2.6 billion beginning with next season, the salary cap that's tied to revenues will soar well beyond its previous record to between $90-95 million.

Some players didn't have to wait long to claim their share of it.

Drummond's five-year maximum contract to stay in Detroit will be worth $130 million, just a share more than the $128 million Bradley Beal got to remain in Washington. DeRozan will do a little better in Toronto and Charlotte kept Batum for about $120 million.

But the Hornets lost a couple of key players from their 48-win team, as Jeremy Lin got a three-year, $36 million contract from Brooklyn, and the Pacers lured Al Jefferson to Indiana with a three-year, $30 million contract.

None of the contracts can be signed until July 7, after next season's salary cap is set and the moratorium is lifted.

Missing out on the money was O.J. Mayo, the former No. 3 overall pick who finished last season in Milwaukee and was a free agent. But he was dismissed and disqualified from the NBA on Friday for violating the terms of the league's anti-drug program, the first player to receive that punishment in a decade. He will be eligible to apply for reinstatement in two years.

His old team was busy, as the Bucks agreed to terms with free agent shooter Mirza Teletovic on a three-year deal worth $30 million, and also agreed to terms on a four-year, $38.4 million offer sheet with restricted free agent Matthew Dellavedova. The Cleveland Cavaliers have the option to match that deal.

Durant had his first discussions with another team, meeting with the Golden State Warriors. He met with his Oklahoma City Thunder on Thursday, before free agency opened, as the former NBA MVP decides whether to remain with the franchise that selected him with the No. 2 pick in 2007.

Mayo disqualified from NBA for drug violation

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press

NEW YORK — O.J. Mayo was dismissed and disqualified from the NBA on Friday for violating the terms of the league's anti-drug program, the first player to receive that punishment in a decade.

The league said the No. 3 overall pick in the 2008 draft out of USC is eligible to apply for reinstatement in two years.

Mayo, 28, spent the past three seasons with the Milwaukee Bucks. He averaged 7.8 points in 41 games last season, including 24 starts.

According to rules of the NBA/NBPA Anti-Drug Program, information regarding the testing or treatment of a player can't be disclosed by the league, his team or the union. However, there are only a few violations that would lead to Mayo's punishment.

A player can be dismissed or disqualified from the NBA for testing positive for a drug of abuse, or if he is convicted of or pleads guilty to the use, possession or distribution of a drug of abuse.

The list of drugs of abuse includes amphetamines, cocaine, LSD and opiates such as heroin, codeine and morphine.

A third positive test for a performance-enhancing drug also leads to a player being dismissed and disqualified, as does being convicted of or pleading guilty to a crime involving the use, possession or distribution of one.

The last player to receive the penalty was Chris "Birdman" Andersen in January 2006, when he was playing for the New Orleans Hornets. He was reinstated in March 2008, won a championship with Miami in 2013 and spent last season with the Heat and Memphis Grizzlies.

Mayo was drafted by the Minnesota Timberwolves but his rights were dealt to Memphis in exchange for Kevin Love's. Mayo played four seasons for the Grizzlies and one for the Dallas Mavericks before joining the Bucks. He has averaged 13.8 points in 547 career games.

Phelps wins showdown with Lochte at US swim trials

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Michael Phelps won his latest showdown with Ryan Lochte, capturing the 200-meter individual medley at the U.S. Olympic swimming trials Friday night.

Phelps led a scintillating race from start to finish, but Lochte was with him stroke for stroke. Their arms were in almost perfect sync as they came to the wall, before Phelps pulled slightly ahead to touch in 1 minute, 55.91 seconds.

Lochte was next at 1:56.22 and had no complaints about his consolation prize: an individual race at the Rio Olympics.

The 11-time medalist injured his groin on the very first day of the meet, struggled in his next few races and was down to his final chance to get a swim of his own at the Summer Games.

Now, that's out of the way, which means Phelps and Lochte will carry their longtime rivalry to one more event in South America.

Phelps is a three-time defending gold medalist in the 200 IM and the most decorated athlete in Olympic history with 18 golds and 22 medals overall.

He's now locked up two individual events for Rio, having already qualified in the 200 butterfly. After shaking hands with Lochte as they hung together on the rope separating their side-by-side lanes, Phelps hustled off to the warmup pool to get ready for his second race of the night: the semifinals of the 100 fly.

Meanwhile, another defending Olympic champion went down at the trials.

Tyler Clary finished third in the 200 backstroke behind California Aquatics teammates Ryan Murphy and Jacob Pebley, who will represent the U.S. team in Rio.

Murphy grabbed the lead on the second lap and pulled away to win easily in 1:53.95 seconds. He completed a sweep of the backstroke events, having also won the 100.

Pebley held on for the second spot, touching in 1:54.77 to earn his first trip to the Olympics.

Clary was next at 1:55.33, ending his hopes of defending the gold medal he won in London.

Murphy seemed happier for his teammate, turning toward Pebley and screaming when he saw a "2" beside his name. Pebley held a hand over his face, and then defiantly splashed the water in triumph.

Clary hung alone on a rope in the third lane, unable to take his eyes off the scoreboard. Finally, he climbed over to congratulate the two swimmers who ended his Olympics hopes.

"That's it," Clary said. "I couldn't be happier to be sending Team USA off with two backstrokers that I have a lot of respect for, and I know they are going to represent Team USA well in Rio."

Murphy wasn't the only one pulling off a sweep.

Lilly King followed up her victory in the 100 breaststroke by winning the 200 in 2:24.08 seconds. The 19-year-old from Indiana was followed by Molly Hannis, a 24-year-old who swims for Tennessee Aquatics. She took the second spot for Rio at 2:24.39, yet another swimmer who will be an Olympic rookie.

It wasn't totally a night for the upstarts.

Anthony Ervin and Nathan Adrian were the top two qualifiers in the semifinals of the 50 freestyle.

The 35-year-old Ervin led the way in 21.55, while Adrian was second quickest in 21.60. Both men are already on the team, with Ervin still seeking an individual event to go with his relay duty and Adrian set to defend his 100 free title from the London Games.

Cullen Jones, silver medalist four years ago, was third quickest in 21.93 at age 32. Jimmy Feigen was fourth in 22.02 going into Saturday's final.

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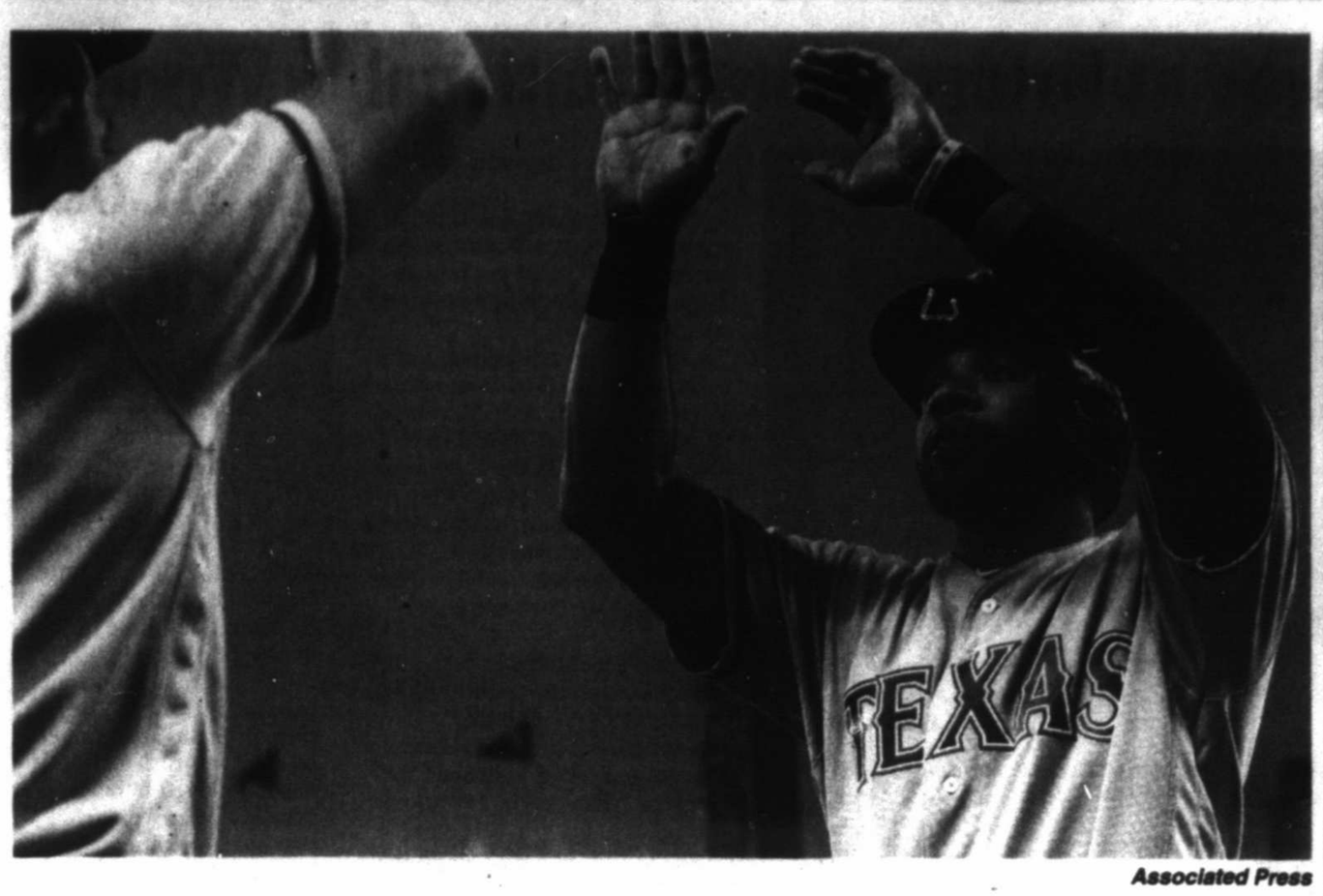

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The Texas Rangers' Elvis Andrus, right, is congratulated by Rougned Odor, after scoring on a bases-loaded two-run single by pinch hitter Jurickson Profar off Minnesota Twins pitcher Ryan Pressly in the seventh inning Friday in Minneapolis.

Rangers beat Twins 3-2 in 10 innings

By Dave Campbell
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Ian Desmond homered to lead off the 10th inning for Texas, and Sam Dyson and the Rangers held on for a 3-2 victory Friday night over the Minnesota Twins.

Dyson surrendered a leadoff single, but he struck out the next two batters and notched his 17th save in 19 attempts. Matt Bush (3-1) pitched two scoreless innings for the win, which lifted the Rangers to a club-record 52-29 mark at the 81-game midpoint of their season.

After losing back-to-back games to the Yankees in New York on the last at-bat, including a six-run rally Wednesday against Bush and Dyson, the league-leading Rangers settled in for a series against the worst team in the majors.

Trevor Plouffe tied the game for the Twins with a two-run home run in the seventh that spoiled Martin Perez's shutout bid, but Desmond took Fernando Abad (1-3) deep to start the extra session.

Ervin Santana turned in his third straight sturdy start for the Twins, though he needed 117 pitches to log 6 1/3 innings. Two of his three walks came in the seventh, when pinch-hitter Jurickson Profar put the Rangers in front with a two-run single off reliever Ryan Pressly. Santana struck out five and allowed only three hits.

Perez retired the first 10 batters he faced and finished the fourth, fifth and sixth innings with double plays.

In the fifth, after Max Kepler sacrificed to move the runners up to second and third, Kurt Suzuki tried to bunt, too. Plouffe broke for home with the pitch, but the ball popped high enough in the air for first baseman Mitch Moreland to catch it and throw across the diamond for an easy out. Just the type of ugly mistakes that have made a bad season much worse for the Twins.

Throwing strong in his first full season since Tommy John ligament replacement surgery on his elbow, Perez hasn't lost in eight starts. The left-hander allowed five hits and three walks in seven innings while striking out three, taking his second no-decision during that span.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

INDIANS 2
BLUE JAYS 1, 19 INNINGS

TORONTO — Buried in the ashes of a tough 19-inning defeat was a welcome development for the Toronto Blue Jays: A solid start from Marcus Stroman.

Carlos Santana homered in the 19th inning off infielder Darwin Barney and the Cleveland Indians beat the Blue Jays 2-1 on Friday, extending their winning streak to a franchise-best 14 games.

Stroman came in having allowed 36 earned runs in his previous eight starts but was sharper against the Indians, giving up one run and five hits in 6 2-3 innings.

"He threw the ball very well," Blue Jays bench coach DeMarlo Hale said. "The breaking ball had some swing and miss to it."

Stroman struck out six, and 10 of his 20 outs came on ground balls.

"I felt good," Stroman said. "The work that's been going on between starts is starting to pay off."

TIGERS 10
RAYS 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Michael Fulmer continued his historic rookie pitching run for the Detroit Tigers, and Victor Martinez contributed three-run home runs from both sides of the plate in a 10-2 romp over the Tampa Bay Rays on Friday night.

Fulmer (8-2) gave up two hits in seven shutout innings as the Tigers won their fourth straight. Fulmer became the first Detroit pitcher since 1913 to give up one run or fewer in eight straight starts.

"Every night he pitches he's been giving us a really good chance to win ballgames," Martinez said. "That's what you ask for."

Fulmer struck out 10 and walked one, giving up singles to Cory Dickerson in the second inning and Logan Morrison in the seventh.

"It's pretty cool," Fulmer said of his eight-game streak, during which he is 6-1 with a 0.53 ERA. "My mind is just to a win a ball game anyway I can so if I can throw up zeroes, that's just a bonus. It's a team game, and the way we're playing right now, with the offense putting up 10 runs a night, it makes everybody else just relax and have fun playing this game."

In two wins against the Rays, Fulmer has struck out 21 of the 49 batters he has faced.

National League

NATIONALS 3
REDS 2, 14 INNINGS

WASHINGTON — Ben Revere doubled in the winning run with two outs in the 14th inning, and the Washington Nationals outlasted the Cincinnati Reds 3-2 on Friday night for their sixth straight victory.

Revere's liner off the wall in right-center off Ross Ohlendorf (5-6) scored Danny Espinosa, who was hit by a pitch to start the inning.

Yusmeiro Petit (3-1), the sixth Washington pitcher, worked two innings for the win.

The last-place Reds have lost five straight and nine of 10. They battled for 4 hours, 30 minutes before falling in this one.

Bryce Harper had two singles for Washington, but one of them probably should have been at least a double. Leading off the fourth, the reigning NL MVP hit a liner that appeared headed for the seats but instead struck the top of the wall in center field. Harper admired the drive too long, and was barely past first base by the time the ball was returned to the infield.

Nationals starter Tanner Roark allowed two runs and eight hits over seven innings. He struck out four and walked two.

CARDINALS 7
BREWERS 1

ST. LOUIS — Matt Holliday drove in three runs, left-hander Jaime Garcia threw eight solid innings and the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Milwaukee Brewers 7-1 on Friday night.

The Cardinals ended a seven-game home losing streak, their longest since Aug. 2-15, 1983. It was their first home win since a 6-3 victory over San Francisco on June 5.

Milwaukee has lost four of five and fell to 13-24 on the road, the second-worst road record in the National League behind the Cincinnati Reds.

Garcia (6-6) allowed four hits. He struck out six and walked four.

Rookie Aledmys Diaz had two hits and reached base three times for the Cardinals. He missed the previous three games after fouling a pitch off the area around his right eye on Monday.

Chris Carter hit his 20th homer of the season for the Brewers in the second inning.

Interleague

PHILLIES 4
ROYALS 3

PHILADELPHIA — Ian Kennedy gave up solid hits on good pitches.

Kennedy (6-7) struck out eight but allowed three runs in five innings and Kansas City Royals lost 4-3 to the Philadelphia Phillies on Friday night.

"He threw fine. I thought he grinded through it," Royals manager Ned Yost said of Kennedy.

Kennedy gave up a leadoff homer to Odubel Herrera and RBI hits to Cody Asche and Maikel Franco on pitches that hit their spots.

"I felt I wasn't getting on top of the ball. It was a constant grind," he said. "There were times I wished I missed some bats more."

Kendrys Morales hit a two-run homer off reliever David Hernandez in the eighth before the right-hander settled down to retire the next three batters. Jeanmar Gomez finished for his 22nd save in 24 tries.

Morales has 13 hits in his last 20 at-bats.

"He's swinging the bat really well right now," Yost said. "He gave us an opportunity to try to tie the game."

MLB GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	47	31	.603	—
Boston	42	36	.538	5
Toronto	43	39	.524	6
New York	39	39	.500	8
Tampa Bay	33	48	.418	14½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	49	30	.620	—
Kansas City	42	37	.532	7
Detroit	42	38	.525	7½
Chicago	40	40	.500	9½
Minnesota	25	54	.316	24

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	52	29	.642	—
Houston	43	37	.538	8½
Seattle	40	39	.506	11
Oakland	35	44	.443	16
Los Angeles	32	47	.405	19

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	49	32	.605	—
New York	41	37	.526	6½
Miami	41	38	.519	7
Philadelphia	36	45	.444	13
Atlanta	27	52	.342	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	51	27	.654	—
St. Louis	41	35	.519	10½
Pittsburgh	38	41	.481	13½
Milwaukee	35	44	.443	16½
Cincinnati	29	52	.358	23½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	50	31	.617	—
Los Angeles	44	37	.543	6
Colorado	37	41	.474	11½
Arizona	36	45	.444	14
San Diego	33	46	.418	16

Scores & schedules

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Friday's Scores
Cleveland 2, Toronto 1, 19 innings
Philadelphia 4, Kansas City 3
L.A. Angels at Boston, 7:10 p.m.
Detroit 10, Tampa Bay 2
Houston 5, Chicago White Sox 0
Texas 3, Minnesota 2, 10 innings
Pittsburgh at Oakland, late
Baltimore at Seattle, late
N.Y. Yankees at San Diego, late

Today's Games
Cleveland (Bauer 9-2) at Toronto (Estrada 5-3), 12:07 p.m.
Texas (Gonzalez 0-0) at Minnesota (Duffey 3-6), 1:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Sale 13-2) at Houston (Fister 9-4), 3:10 p.m.
Detroit (Verlander 7-6) at Tampa Bay (Snell 1-0), 3:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Duffy 3-1) at Philadelphia (Nola 5-7), 4:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Santiago 4-4) at Boston (Buchholz 3-8), 6:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Kuhl 1-0) at Oakland (Hill 6-3), 9:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Wilson 4-5) at Seattle (Paxton 1-3), 9:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Nova 5-5) at San Diego (Pomeranz 7-7), 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Friday's Scores
Washington 3, Cincinnati 2, 14 innings
Philadelphia 4, Kansas City 3
Chicago Cubs at N.Y. Mets, late
Miami at Atlanta, late
St. Louis 7, Milwaukee 1
San Francisco at Arizona, late
Pittsburgh at Oakland, late
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, late
N.Y. Yankees at San Diego, late

Today's Games
Milwaukee (Nelson 5-6) at St. Louis (Wainwright 6-5), 1:15 p.m.
Miami (Fernandez 10-3) at Atlanta, 3:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Duffy 3-1) at Philadelphia (Nola 5-7), 4:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 12-2) at N.Y. Mets (Colon 5-4), 6:15 p.m.
Cincinnati (Straily 4-5) at Washington (Ross 7-4), 6:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Kuhl 1-0) at Oakland (Hill 6-3), 9:05 p.m.
Colorado (Bettis 6-8) at L.A. Dodgers (Kazmir 6-3), 9:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Nova 5-5) at San Diego (Pomeranz 7-7), 9:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Samardzija 8-5) at Arizona (Corbin 4-6), 9:10 p.m.

Texas Boxes

RANGERS 3, TWINS 2, 10 INNINGS

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Minnesota	ab	r	h	bi
Choo rf	4	0	0	0	E.Nunez ss	5	0	0	0
Desmond cf	5	1	3	1	Mauer 1b	3	0	0	0
Mazara lf	5	0	1	0	Sano 3b	3	0	0	0
Beltre 3b	5	0	1	0	Dozier 2b	4	1	1	0
Fielder dh	3	1	0	0	Plouffe dh	4	0	3	2
Odor 2b	5	0	0	0	Da.Srsn pr-dh	0	0	0	0
Andrus ss	3	1	0	0	Grissom lf	4	0	1	0
Moreland 1b	4	0	1	0	Kepler rf	3	0	1	0
B.Wilson c	2	0	0	0	K.Suzuki c	4	0	0	0
Profar ph	1	0	1	2	Buxton cf	4	0	1	0
Chirinos c	1	0	1	0					
Totals	38	3	8	3	Totals	33	2	7	2

Texas ..... 000 000 200 1—3
Minnesota ..... 000 000 200 0—2

DP—Texas 3. LOB—Texas 9, Minnesota 5.
2B—Desmond (20). HR—Desmond (15), Plouffe (7). S—Kepler (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Perez	7	5	2	2	3	4
Bush W,3-1	2	1	0	0	0	2
Dyson S,17-19	1	1	0	0	0	2
Minnesota						
Santana	6 1-3	3	2	2	3	5
Pressly	2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Rogers	1	1	0	0	0	3
Kintzler	1	1	0	0	0	1
Abad L,1-3	1	1	1	1	1	0

T—3:04. A—25,530 (39,021).

ASTROS 5, WHITE SOX 0

Chicago	ab	r	h	bi	Houston	ab	r	h	bi
TLindr ss	4	0	0	0	Springer rf	3	2	1	0
Eaton rf	4	0	0	0	Villanueva 3b	3	1	1	1
Abreu 1b	4	0	1	0	Altuve 2b	4	0	0	0
T.Frazier dh	4	0	1	0	Correa ss	3	1	1	1
Lawrie 2b	4	0	2	0	Col.Rdrn lf	4	0	1	1
Avila c	2	0	0	0	C.Gomez cf	4	1	1	2
Av.Garcia lf	4	0	1	0	Ma.Grzl-1b	3	0	0	0
Sladkoy 3b	2	0	0	0	A.Reed dh	2	0	1	0
Shuck cf	3	0	0	0	Mrnwck pr-dh	0	0	0	0
J.Cstro c	3	0	0	0					
Totals	31	0	5	0	Totals	29	5	6	5

Chicago ..... 000 000 000—0
Houston ..... 000 100 22x—5

E—Sladkoy (4). DP—Chicago 1, Houston 1. LOB—Chicago 7, Houston 4. 2B—Abreu (17), Lawrie 2 (22), Av.Garcia (9), Valbuena (16). HR—C.Gomez (4). CS—Marisnick (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Gonzalez L,1-4	7	3	3	2	2	4
Beck	1	3	2	2	1	1
Houston						
Fiers W,6-3	6	4	0	0	2	4
Giles	1	0	0	0	0	2
Gregerson	1	0	0	0	0	2
Devenski	1	1	0	0	1	0

HBP—by Gonzalez (Springer).
T—2:58. A—31,965 (42,060).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

INDIANS 2, BLUE JAYS 1, 19 INNINGS
Cleveland...000000000 000 000 001—2 15 0
Toronto .....000001000 000 000 000—1 11 2
Stromen, Otero (7), Gorzelanny (8), Mantiply (8), Shaw (10), McAllister (11), Hunter (12), Chamberlain (14), Bauer (15) and Gomes, Gimenez; Stroman, Cecil (7), Grilli (8), Osuna (9), Biagini (10), Chavez (11), Storen (14), Schultz (15), Goins (18), Barney (19) and Martin, Thole. W—Bauer 7-2. L—Barney (0-1). HRs—Cleveland, Santana (17). Toronto, Smoak (8).

TIGERS 10, RAYS 2
Detroit .....000 120 4x0—10 14 0
Tampa Bay .....000 000 002 —2 4 2
Fulmer, Greene (8), Lowe (9) and McCann; Smyly, Farquhar (7), Eveland (8), Romero (9), Molina (9) and Conger. W—Fulmer 8-2. L—Smyly 2-6. HRs—Detroit, Martinez 2 (16), Tampa Bay, Miller (11).

INTERLEAGUE

PHILLIES 4, ROYALS 3
Kansas City .....010 000 020 —3 8 2
Philadelphia .....101 011 00x —4 12 0
Kennedy, Wang (6), Flynn (7) and S.Perez; Hellickson, E.Ramos (7), D.Hernandez (8), J.Gomez (9) and Rupp. W—Hellickson 6-6. L—Kennedy 6-7. 3b—J.Gomez (22). HRs—Kansas City, Morales (12), Philadelphia, Herrera (9).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

NATIONALS 3, REDS 2, 14 INNINGS
Cincinnati .....010 001 000 00000—2 11 0
Washington .....100 001 000 00001—3 10 0
DeSclafani, R.Iglesias (7), Cingrani (10), Ohlendorf (12) and Barnhart; R.Cabrera, Roark, Solis (8), Kelley (10), O.Perez (11), Treinen (12), Petit (13) and Lobaton, W.Ramos. W—Petit 3-1. L—Ohlendorf 5-6.

CARDINALS 7, BREWERS 1
Milwaukee .....010 000 000 —1 4 2
St. Louis .....100 001 00x —7 11 2
Garza, Martinez (8) and Lucroy; J.Garcia, Bowman (9) and Molina, Pena. W—J.Garcia 6-6. L—Garza 1-1. HRs—Milwaukee, Carter (20).

'HOUNDSREPORT

FROM STAFF REPORTS

ROCKHOUNDS 6
NATURALS 4
at Arvest Ballpark, Springdale, Arkansas

TOP HITTERS: Midland right fielder Tyler Marincov went 4-for-4 with a home run, two RBI and two runs scored. ... RockHounds designated hitter Carson Blair finished 2-for-4 with a home run, two RBI and two runs, while third baseman Matt Chapman was 1-for-4 with a home run a pair of RBI. ... Naturals first baseman Ryan O'Hearn went 1-for-4 with two RBI.

TOP PITCHERS: RockHounds starter Daniel Gossett allowed two earned runs on five hits over 7 1/3 innings. He struck out six, walked one and earned his first win of the season. ... NW Arkansas reliever Benino Pruneda relieved starter Ashton Goudeau in the fifth and struck out four batters over 2 2/3 innings of work. ... Midland's Jake Sanchez earned his fifth save of the year, striking out two of the three batters he faced in the ninth.

HIGHLIGHTS: Midland jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first, courtesy of a pair of two-run home runs by Blair and Chapman. ... In the fifth, Marincov blasted a two-run shot to right-center field to make it 6-0 RockHounds. ... The Naturals added one run in the sixth on a sacrifice fly by Mauricio Ramos, and then three more in the eighth on a fielding error and a two-run double by O'Hearn.

NOTES: For the second straight night, both Blair and Chapman homered for Midland. Blair hit two home runs in Thursday night's win. ... With his 4-for-4 night on Friday, Marincov has raised his season batting average to .308, which leads the club among players with at least 16 games played this year. ... Midland has now won three consecutive games and six of their last seven. ... The RockHounds are 6-2 in the second half, remain in first place in the Texas League South and are 39-39 overall on the season. ... Midland will wrap up its three-game series with the Naturals at 6:35 p.m. today before beginning a three-game series in North Little Rock against the Arkansas Travelers.

TODAY'S PROBABLES: Midland — RHP Joel Seddon (2-6, 6.66); NW Arkansas — LHP Eric Skoglund (4-5, 3.50)

TL standings

Second Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa (Dodgers)	5	3	.625	—
Springfield (Cardinals)	4	3	.571	—
Northwest Arkansas (Royals)	4	4	.500	1
Arkansas (Angels)	2	5	.286	2½

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midland (Athletics)	6	2	.750	—
Corpus Christi (Astros)	4	4	.500	2
Frisco (Rangers)	3	5	.375	3
San Antonio (Padres)	3	5	.375	3

Friday's Scores
Midland 6, Northwest Arkansas 4
Springfield 11, Corpus Christi 1
Tulsa 5, San Antonio 3
Frisco 3, Arkansas 0

Today's Games
Midland at Northwest Arkansas, 6:35 p.m.
Springfield at Corpus Christi, 7:05 p.m.
Tulsa at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.
Frisco at Arkansas, 7:10 p.m.

ROCKHOUNDS 6, NATURALS 4

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	NWArkansas	ab	r	h	bi
Barreto 2b	4	1	2	0	Toups 2b	3	2	1	0
Sportman cf	4	0	1	0	Starling cf	4	1	1	1
Blair c	4	2	2	2	Ramos 3b	3	0	0	1
Marincov rf	4	2	4	2	O'Hearn 1b	4	0	1	2
Rosa 1b	4	0	0	0	Evans dh	4	0	0	0
Chapman 3b	4	1	1	2	Gallegher c	4	0	2	0
Taylor c	4	0	1	0	Arteaga ss	4	0	0	0
Munoz ss	4	0	1	0	Moon rf	4	0	0	0
Oh lf	4	0	0	0	Garcia cf	3	1	1	0
Totals	36	6	12	6	Totals	33	4	6	4

Midland ..... 400 020 000 —6
NW Arkansas ..... 000 001 030 —4

E — Midland 1. DP —Midland 1. NW Arkansas 1. LOB — Midland 3. NW Arkansas 4. 2B — Barreto (12), Toups (8), Garcia (5), O'Hearn (18). HR — Blair (3), Chapman (19), Marincov (5). SB —Barreto (17), Starling (10), Garcia (5). SF — Ramos.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Midland						
Gossett W, 1-2	7 1	5	4	2	1	6
Bragg	0 2	1	0	0	0	0
Sanchez S, 5	1 0	0	0	0	0	1
NW Arkansas						
Goudeau L, 2-6	4 1	11	6	6	0	4
Pruneda	2 2	0	0	0	0	4
Bartsch	1 0	1	0	0	0	1
Stout	1 0	0	0	0	0	2

WP — Gossett.
T — 2:35. A — 4,711.

EXECUTIVES

From 1B

"We have good people and good owners," Hoppel said. "I am just doing my part as general manager, but it's the team that makes it work. We have just had great support. We have city leaders that believe in the franchise. The media has done really well to promote the team. We have a great league. I think we have the best league in minor league baseball."

Hards is now in his 25th season of calling games for the RockHounds after joining the franchise in November 1991.

Hards is the fifth Texas League broadcaster to receive the Hall of Fame honor, joining San Antonio's Roy Acuff, former Los Angeles Dodgers and Fort Worth commentator Jerry Doggett, Arkansas' Jim Elder and Jackson's Bill Walberg.

Kayser was not on the original ballot, but was added to the list of candidates by the directors prior to the vote.

Kayser, in his 25th and final season, is the longest tenured president in Texas League history which dates back to 1888.

Gomez hits 2-run homer to help Astros over White Sox 5-0

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Carlos Gomez hit a two-run homer and Mike Fiers and three relievers combined for a shutout to help the surging Houston Astros to a 5-0 victory over the Chicago White Sox on Friday night.

It was Houston's fourth straight victory and 11th in the last 12 games.

Fiers (6-3) scattered four hits over six innings. Ken Giles and Luke Gregerson didn't allow a hit in an inning each and Chris Devenski threw a scoreless ninth.

The Astros didn't have a baserunner until Miguel Gonzalez (1-4) plunked George Springer to start the fourth inning. He then walked Luis Valbuena before Jose Altuve grounded into a double play that left Springer at third.

Houston's first hit came next when Carlos Correa's strange infield popup dropped in front of shortstop Tim Anderson and allowed Springer to score and make it 1-0.

Gomez padded the lead when he sent one into the seats in left field with one out in the seventh to make it 3-0. Correa reached on an error by third baseman Tyler Saladino before Gomez's shot.

Gomez has started heating up after a tough start to the season that included a May when he hit just .136. He has hit four homers, five doubles and driven in 15 runs since June 5 to boost his average from .182 to .225.

Gonzalez yielded three hits and two runs in a season-high seven innings.

Houston first baseman A.J. Reed got his first major league hit with a single with two outs in the fifth inning. He was 0 for 16 since being called up on Saturday before the hit.

ALTUVE'S STREAK ENDS

Altuve went 0 for 4 without a walk to end a streak where he reached safely in a career-high 32 straight games. The streak was the longest by an Astro since Lance Berkman did it in 37 straight games from July 30-Sept. 8, 2004.

TRAINER'S ROOM

White Sox: 3B Matt Davidson had surgery on Friday after breaking his right foot rounding first base in his White Sox debut a day before. Davidson had a screw inserted to repair his foot and the White Sox don't know how long he'll be out. They recalled INF Carlos Sanchez from Triple-A Charlotte before Friday's game to take his spot on the roster.

Astros: RHP Lance McCullers, who was scratched from his last start on Tuesday with a blister on his right index finger, is doing better and is expected to make his next start on Monday.

Jason Day takes the lead at Bridgestone Invitational

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

AKRON, Ohio — Jason Day's plan for the Bridgestone Invitational was to get in the lead as quickly as possible and expand it from there.

He took care of the first part Friday.

With just enough breeze to make the fairways at Firestone seem even tighter, Day relied on his sharp short game and a pair of late birdies for a 1-under 69 that gave him a one-shot lead over David Lingmerth going into the weekend.

What irritated the world's No. 1 player was the way he finished.

Day had a 20-foot birdie putt from the fringe on the final hole, and when his putter bumped up against the collar on the way back, he rapped it too hard and then missed the 6-foot par putt on the way back.

"I was very cross with myself when I was walking off," Day said. "The great thing is that once I do silly things like that on 18, I soon forget about it, and I just need to start focusing on tomorrow's round.

"But I know that I'm putting good because I'm holing putts. And if I can give myself the opportunities, I'm hoping that I can stretch that lead over 54 holes, and then hopefully by 72 holes, I can stretch that lead even more."

Day was at 4-under 136, matching Tiger Woods in 2005 for the highest 36-hole score to lead this World Golf Championship.

Lingmerth had a 67 that tied for the low score of the second round, where scoring was hampered by wind that felt as though it were coming out of different directions. He also made bogey on the 18th, and the Swede wasn't alone in dropping shots toward the end of his round.

Associated Press

Jason Day hits out of a sand trap on the 13th hole during the second round of the Bridgestone Invitational golf tournament at Firestone Country Club on Friday in Akron, Ohio.

William McGirt, who began the second round with a three-shot lead, stayed in front until he went over the par-5 16th with a wedge and made bogey, and then chopped up the 18th hole on his way to a double bogey for a 74. McGirt had a 74 and was two shots back at 138, along with Emiliano Grillo (71) and Scott Piercy (69).

"Trying to figure out the wind was impossible," McGirt said. "It was a lot of down off the left with a touch of in off the right. I mean, who knows?"

Only nine players remained under par.

Justin Thomas hit a tee shot that caught the slope perfectly on the par-5 16th and didn't stop rolling until it was 414 yards away. He hit 5-iron just left off the green in a nasty lie and figured he had squandered a good scoring chance until his chip hit the pin and dropped for an eagle, the first one on the 16th since 2008.

"I can't hit another drive that hard," Thomas said.

He had a 69 and joined Jordan Spieth (71), Adam Scott (68) and Kevin Kisner (70) at 1-under 139.

Spieth is trying to pick up the pace, aware of criticism that he is playing too slow. Having spoken with his coach, he thinks it gives him an edge to step up and hit it.

"The quicker part actually helps me because then I just get up there and fire away," he said. "The more I can do that, actually I think the better off — kind of gun slinging mentality, just to go up and hit the way I always have played."

His only issue was keeping it in play, though he wasn't alone in those struggles.

U.S. Open champion Dustin Johnson hit only six fairways in his round of 73 that put him at 2-over 142, though he's still only six shots behind.

Everyone is chasing Day, who is trying to join Woods and Phil Mickelson as the only players to win at least two World Golf Championships in the same year. Day won the Dell Match Play in March in dominant fashion, while his victories this year at the Arnold Palmer Invitational and The Players Championship were a little closer.

It didn't feel like his best golf on Friday, though the conditions had something to do with that.

"I think over the next two days it's going to be very difficult for everyone," Day said. "I would love to be able to give myself more opportunities, and if I can do that, hopefully I'm holding the trophy at the end of the week. The mentality won't change with regards to how tight it is. I've just got to try and get it done. Even if I don't have my best stuff, just find a way to get it done."

He at least posed with one trophy on Friday, even though it will never be his.

The Cleveland Cavaliers had the gold NBA championship trophy on display at various spots around Firestone, and Day couldn't resist a photo with wife, Ellie, and the trophy.

"And LeBron James didn't come and tackle us, so that was a neat thing," he said.

His wife suffered a mild concussion late last year when they had courtside seats and James crashed into her going after a loose ball.

Woods to sit out British Open

Associated Press

TROON, Scotland — Tiger Woods is out of the British Open, the first time he has sat out three majors in one year.

The R&A announcement that the 14-time major champion has withdrawn was not a surprise. Woods has not played in nearly a year as he recovers from two back operations. He has given little indication when he will be healthy enough to return.

Woods said last week at his Quicken Loans National that he has played 18 holes, but was trying to work his way toward playing multiple rounds and still have strength to hit balls when he's done playing.

He said during the tournament telecast that sitting out has been frustrating.

"It's not fun. It's a tough road," he said. "I know I'm getting better, I'm progressing, but still I'm just not quite ready to be out here. ... I know I can play with these guys. I know I still can. I just need to get healthy enough were I can do it on a regular basis."

This will be only the third time Woods has missed the British Open. He had knee surgery in the summer of 2008 and missed Royal Birkdale, and he missed the Open at Royal St. George's in 2011 while recovering from leg injuries.

Woods was replaced in the field by Marcus Fraser of Australia.

Woods broke par only one round in his Royal Troon debut in 1997 when he tied for 24th. In 2004, while he was rebuilding his swing, he tied for ninth, his only top 10 in a major that year.

PRO GOLF SCORES

Bridgestone Invitational

Friday
At Firestone Country Club (South Course)
Akron, Ohio
Purse: $9.5 million
Yardage: 7,400; Par 70
Second Round

Jason Day	67-69—136
David Lingmerth	70-67—137
William McGirt	64-74—138
Emiliano Grillo	67-71—138
Scott Piercy	69-69—138
Justin Thomas	70-69—139
Kevin Kisner	69-70—139
Jordan Spieth	68-71—139
Adam Scott	71-68—139
Brian Stuard	71-69—140
Kevin Na	71-69—140
Young-han Song	70-70—140
Jimmy Walker	67-73—140
K.T. Kim	74-67—141
Hideki Matsuyama	68-73—141
Charl Schwartzel	72-69—141
Bubba Watson	72-69—141
Branden Grace	69-72—141
Kevin Chappell	71-70—141
Charley Hoffman	68-73—141
Matt Kuchar	69-72—141
Paul Casey	70-72—142
Brandt Snedeker	70-72—142
Dustin Johnson	69-73—142
Anirban Lahiri	68-74—142
Harris English	69-73—142
George Coetzee	71-72—143
Smylie Kaufman	75-68—143
Phil Mickelson	73-70—143
Chris Kirk	75-69—144
Vaughn Taylor	69-75—144
Billy Hurley III	69-75—144
Matt Jones	74-70—144
Justin Rose	69-76—145
Kiradech Aphibarnrat	70-76—146
Marcus Fraser	73-73—146
Jim Furyk	74-72—146
Bill Haas	74-72—146
Jim Herman	73-73—146
J.B. Holmes	73-73—146
Zach Johnson	72-74—146
Fabian Gomez	74-73—147
Jason Dufner	71-76—147
Byeong Hun An	76-71—147
James Hahn	75-72—147
Louis Oosthuizen	71-76—147
Marc Leishman	76-72—148
Shane Lowry	76-72—148
Andrew Johnston	70-78—148
Soren Kjeldsen	72-76—148
Patrick Reed	74-75—149
Danny Lee	78-71—149
Hideki Matsuyama	70-79—149
Russell Knox	74-75—149
Nathan Holman	77-73—150
Michio Matsumura	79-74—153
Steven Bowditch	82-72—154
Yosuke Tsukada	78-78—156

French Open

Friday
At Le Golf National
Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines, France
Purse: $3.5 million
Yardage: 7,249; Par: 71
Second Round

Jeunghun Wang, South Korea	71-66—137
Brandon Stone, South Africa	69-68—137
Rory McIlroy, N. Ireland	71-66—137
Mikko Ilonen, Finland	69-68—137
Thongchai Jaidee, Thailand	67-70—137
Nicolas Colsaerts, Belgium	70-68—138
Anders Hansen, Denmark	70-68—138
Bernd Wiesberger, Austria	67-71—138
Francesco Molinari, Italy	68-71—139
Andy Sullivan, England	69-70—139
Thomas Pieters, Belgium	67-72—139
Joost Luiten, Netherlands	69-70—139
Lasse Jensen, Denmark	69-71—140
Alex Noren, Sweden	72-68—140
Lucas Bjerregaard, Denmark	66-74—140
Matthew Southgate, England	70-70—140
Adrien Saddier, France	70-70—140
Others	
Daniel Im, United States	72-71—143
Troy Merritt, United States	70-75—145
Missed the Cut	
David Lipsky, United States	73-73—146

Barracuda Championship

Friday
At Montreux Golf and CC
Reno, Nev.
Purse: $3.2 million
Yardage: 7,472; Par: 72
Second Round

NOTE: (This tournament uses the Stableford scoring system with double eagle are 8 points, eagle 5; birdie 2; par 0; bogey -1 and double bogey or worse -3.

Greg Chalmers	14	10—24
Gary Woodland	14	8—22
Martin Laird	15	7—22
Colt Knost	13	8—21
Brendan Steele	13	7—20
Rhein Gibson	8	11—19
Jason Gore	4	14—18
Will MacKenzie	8	10—18
Steve Wheatcroft	5	13—18
Ben Martin	7	10—17
Jonas Blixt	7	9—16
Miguel Angel Carballo	8	8—16
D.A. Points	3	13—16
Tyler Aldridge	10	5—15
Si Woo Kim	7	8—15
Cameron Beckman	7	8—15
Tim Herron	8	7—15
Tim Wilkinson	9	5—14
Bronson Burgoon	11	3—14
Jhonattan Vegas	7	7—14
Jeff Overton	12	2—14
Rocco Mediate	7	6—13
D.H. Lee	4	9—13
Michael Thompson	7	6—13
Hunter Stewart	10	3—13
Ken Duke	5	7—12
Cameron Percy	3	9—12
Aaron Baddeley	1	11—12
Sam Saunders	5	7—12
Steve Marino	12	0—12
Rory Sabbatini	5	7—12
Seung-Yul Noh	7	5—12
Eric Axley	3	9—12
Wes Roach	6	6—12
Morgan Hoffmann	7	4—11
Shawn Stefani	5	6—11

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Greg Biffle wins 1st pole since 2012 with strong Daytona run

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Ford found some extra power at one of NASCAR's fastest tracks — enough to put Greg Biffle on the pole for the first time in almost four years.

Biffle

Biffle led a Ford contingent to a strong showing in qualifying for Saturday night's race at Daytona International Speedway to earn the top starting spot.

He was one of seven Ford drivers to qualify in the top 14 at a track where Toyota used teamwork to win the Daytona 500 in February.

Biffle was the last car to make a lap in Friday night's qualifying session and earned the top starting spot with a speed of 192.995 mph in his Roush Fenway Racing Ford.

It is Biffle's first pole since Charlotte in October 2012, a streak of 130 races, and he credited engine builder Doug Yates.

"I am not going to discredit winning a pole but we would sure like to win an open race track," Biffle said. "We have been really close with a couple outside front row starts and just haven't quite gotten there. It does feel good for our team though."

Biffle bumped Joe Gibbs Racing teammates Carl Edwards and Kyle Busch from the top of the leaderboard. Edwards' lap of 192.748 was good enough for second, while Busch dropped to third with a lap at 192.336.

Joe Gibbs Racing had to scramble to ready Busch's backup car for qualifying after Busch destroyed his Toyota during a crash in Friday morning's practice session.

Ricky Stenhouse Jr. qualified fourth to give Roush two drivers in the top four.

"It is a good day for the Roush Fenway Fords," Stenhouse said. "The guys have been bringing really good cars to the speedways, really fast cars. It is really cool that Greg got it for our organization. It shows we are putting a lot of hard work in and it is starting to pay off at every race track."

Brad Keselowski qualified fifth in a Team Penske Ford, while teammate Joey Logano was 11th and Ryan Blaney was 12th for The Wood Brothers. Roush driver Trevor Bayne was 13th and Aric Almirola 14th for Richard Petty Motorsports. All the Fords use engines built by Doug Yates.

"I am really happy to see a Ford on the pole with Greg Biffle and I think we will be ready to race," Keselowski said. "It makes you feel really good to see all those Ford teammates up there in the front of the field."

The Ford drivers will have to work together to fend off the Toyota brigade that ganged up on the field to win the Daytona 500. JGR's four drivers worked with Martin Truex Jr. to form a juggernaut that led to a Denny Hamlin win as Toyota drivers took four of the top five spots.

Edwards expected a similar strategy on Saturday night.

"That worked really well, I don't know that it will ever work that well again," Edwards said.

"I assume we'll just try to do the same thing which was basically work together if we can and I watched a little bit of the race the other day and everything just worked out perfectly. If we can do that again, it would be great. We really have a good group of cars and we have a great group of teammates so that would be good."

Austin Dillon, who was involved in a horrible accident on the last lap of this race last year in which his car went airborne into the fence, qualified sixth as the fastest Chevrolet.

Jimmie Johnson was seventh and the only Hendrick Motorsports driver to advance to the second round of qualifying. Hendrick drivers had won six consecutive poles on restrictor plate tracks dating to the 2015 Daytona 500.

Hamlin was ninth and Kurt Busch 10th.

Truex, who lost in a photo finish to Hamlin in the 500, was 15th. Defending race winner Dale Earnhardt Jr. was 16th.

Tony Stewart, who snapped an 84-race winless streak last week on the road course at Sonoma, qualified 19th.

Other notes from Friday at Daytona:

AVERAGE EARNHARDT: He didn't get the starting spot he hoped for, but Earnhardt still believes he has a decent shot to get his first win of the season on Saturday night.

"It's going to be slick in the race and handling is going to be real important," Earnhardt said. "I'm more concerned really with the car driving good. Might not be the fastest car out there, that's not the car that is going to win the race. I think the guy that's got the best handling package. This place is going to be pretty slick."

BUSCH'S BACKUP: JGR did a good job getting Busch a strong car after he crashed his primary in Friday's practice. He had harsh words for Goodyear after the accident, which was caused by a cut tire.

Busch complained he didn't have much confidence in Goodyear — teammate Edwards also had a tire issue in the morning — but he had softened his stance by the end of the day.

"From my vantage point we've had a lot of tire issues this year. That's probably four, five or six tires that we've blown this year," Busch said.

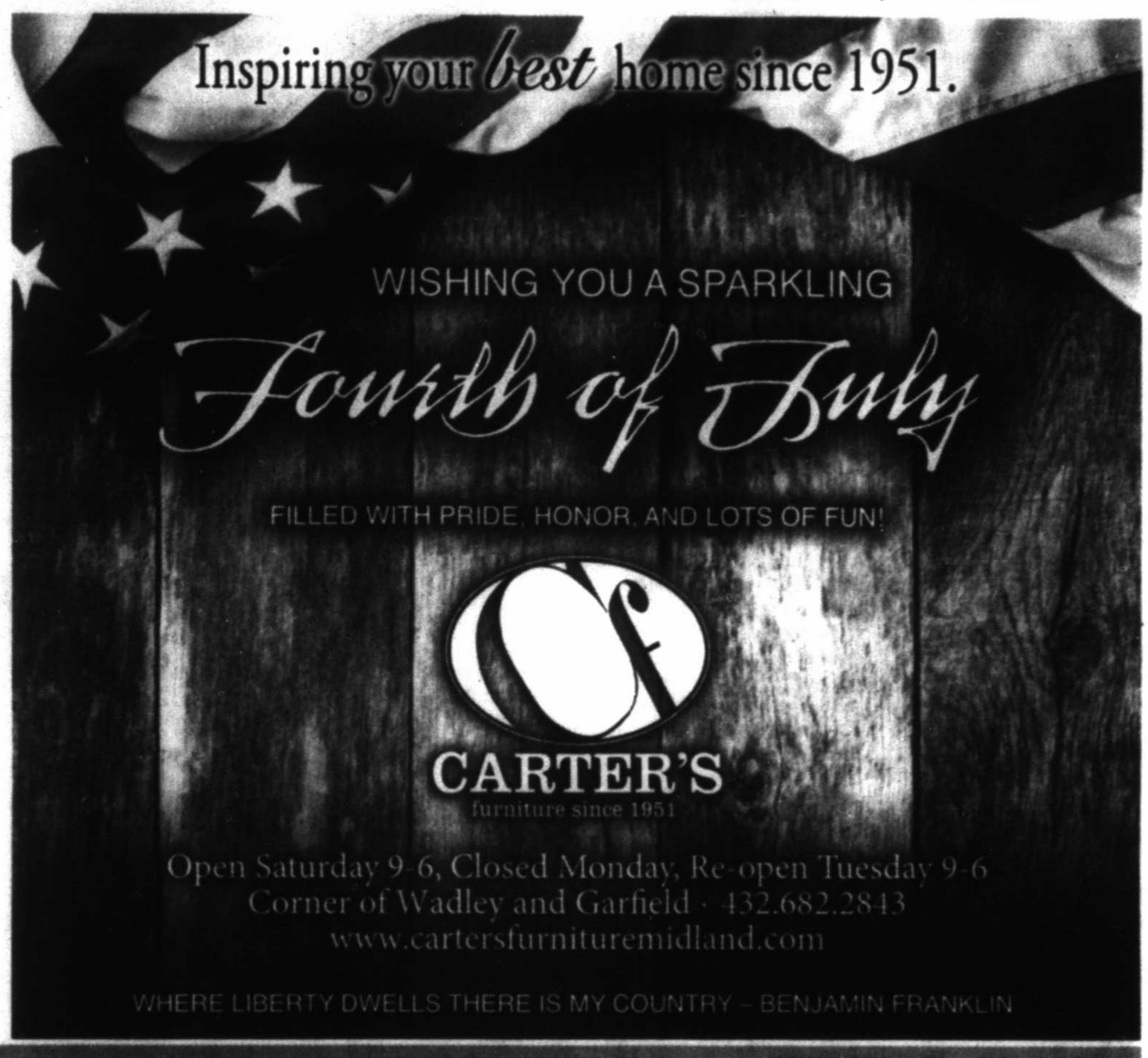
QUALIFYING RESULTS

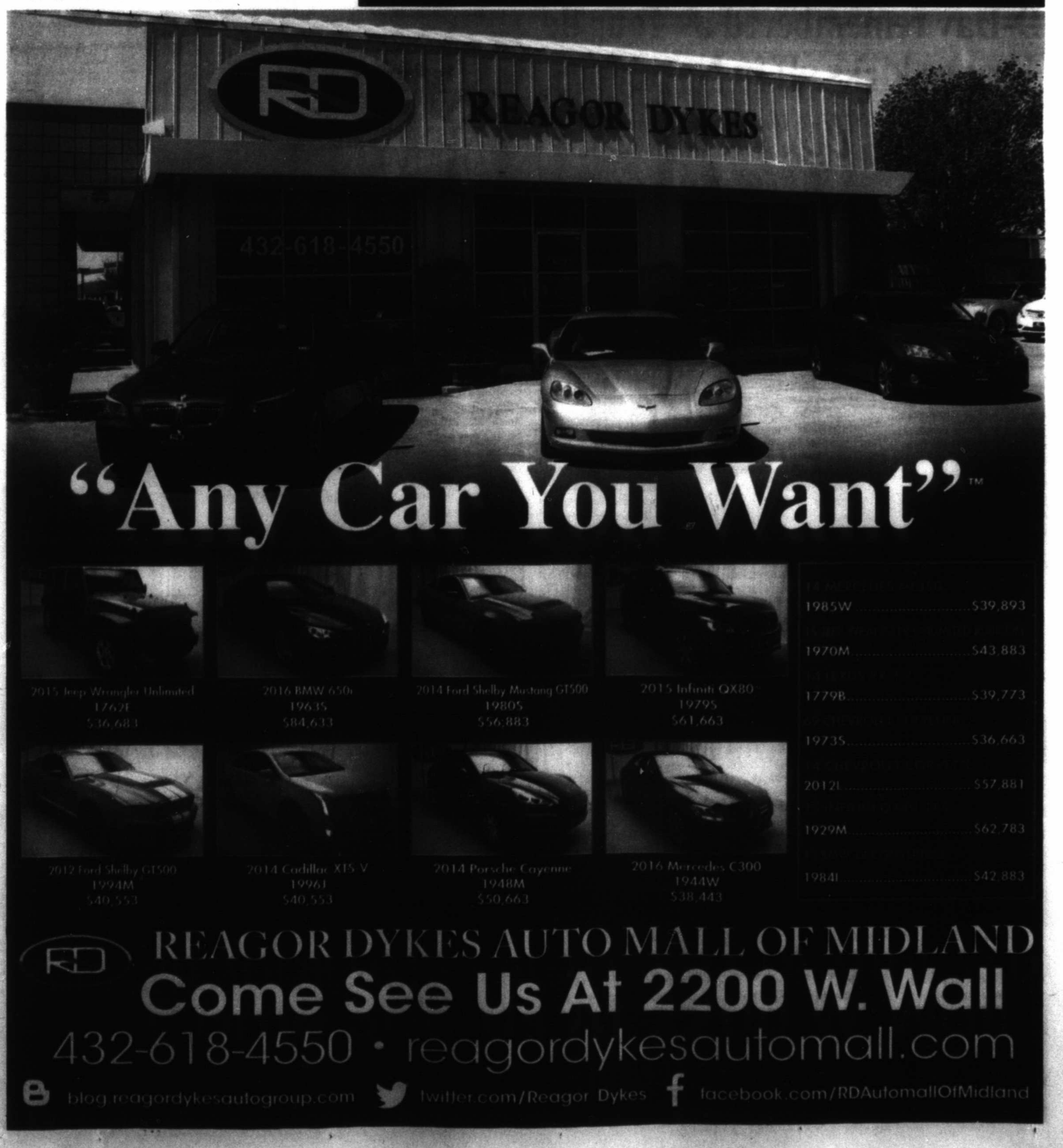
Friday's qualifying; Saturday race
At Daytona International Speedway
Daytona, Fla.
Race distance: 400 miles, 160 laps

1. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 192.955 mph.
2. (19) Carl Edwards, Toyota, 192.748.
3. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 192.336.
4. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 192.320.
5. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 192.254.
6. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 192.254.
7. (20) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 192.234.
8. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 192.160.
9. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 191.975.
10. (41) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 191.865.
11. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 191.400.
12. (21) Ryan Blaney , Ford, 191.253.
13. (6) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 191.192.
14. (43) Aric Almirola, Ford, 191.115.
15. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 191.103.
16. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 191.071.
17. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 190.933.
18. (5) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 190.783.
19. (14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 190.670.
20. (13) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 190.476.
21. (4) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 190.444.
22. (10) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 190.440.
23. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 190.375.
24. (24) Chase Elliott , Chevrolet, 190.359.
25. (34) Chris Buescher , Ford, 190.275.
26. (47) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 189.877.
27. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 189.693.
28. (35) David Gilliland, Ford, 189.470.
29. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 189.211.
30. (44) Brian Scott , Ford, 188.964.
31. (15) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 188.727.
32. (32) Bobby Labonte, Ford, 188.391.
33. (46) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 188.344.
34. (38) Landon Cassill, Ford, 188.249.
35. (98) Cole Whitt, Toyota, 187.629.
36. (83) Matt DiBenedetto, Toyota, 187.563.
37. (95) Michael McDowell, Chevrolet, 187.480.
38. (23) David Ragan, Toyota, 187.426.
39. (55) Reed Sorenson, Toyota, 187.025.
40. (7) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 0.000.

Failed to qualify.

41. (30) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, 184.106.





NHL teams make splashes in opening hour of free agency

By Larry Lage
Associated Press

Milan Lucic and Kyle Okposo, two of the NHL's top free agents, took full advantage of two of the league's worst teams eager to pair a veteran with a young star.

The 28-year-old wingers each got $42 million, seven-year contracts Friday even though neither is a proven or prolific scorer.

Okposo, coming off a 22-goal year with the New York Islanders, moved upstate to join the Buffalo Sabres, who haven't made the playoffs since 2011, or finished higher than seventh in their division in three years.

Lucic, who scored just 20 times last season with the Los Angeles Kings, is following the money to play for the lowly Edmonton Oilers.

"It's about time this team starts heading in the right direction," he said of the Oilers, who want to surround Connor McDavid with experienced talent.

NHL teams didn't waste time making a flurry of deals on the first shift of free agency. None involved a superstar player, not after Steven Stamkos decided to stay in Tampa Bay with an eight-year, $68 million contract agreed to earlier this week.

Two days later, Tampa Bay may have made the best series of moves overall in a bid to stay near the top in the Eastern Conference. The Stanley Cup contender signed standout defenseman Victor Hedman to a $63 million, eight-year extension and goaltender Andrei Vasilevskiy to a $10.5 million, three-year extension.

"It's been a good week for us," Lightning general manager Steve Yzerman said.

It has been a bad decade for the Oilers, who haven't made the playoffs since they lost Game 7 of the 2006 Stanley Cup Finals to the Carolina Hurricanes and had the fewest points in the Western Conference last season for the second time in three years.

Lucic said two people, Oilers general manager Peter Chiarelli and the 19-year-old McDavid, were the reason he joined a franchise that most highly touted free agents have ignored in recent summers.

"The McDavid factor changes it all," Lucic said.

Lucic was also lured to Edmonton in part because of his relationship with Chiarelli, who was his general manager when he played for the Boston Bruins. Chiarelli said 12 teams tried to sign Lucic, indicating one of them was the Kings, the only franchise that could've offered him an eight-year deal under the NHL's collective bargaining agreement.

"He was offered a longer term," Chiarelli said. "He was offered more money."

Like Lucic, Okposo will get a chance to play with one of the league's most promising players, 19-year-old center Jack Eichel.

"He knows Jack's a great, young player," Sabres general manager Tim Murray said.

Here's a look at some of the other notable moves on the opening day of NHL free agency:

■ The New York Islanders signed forwards Andrew Ladd (seven years, $38.5 million) and Jason Chimera (two years, $4.5 million) after losing Okposo and Nielsen.

■ The Vancouver Canucks signed winger Loui Eriksson (six years, $36 million) coming off his 30-goal, 43-assist season in Boston.

■ The Detroit Red Wings signed center Frans Nielsen (six years, $31.5 million) to address a need with the departure of Pavel Datsyuk and re-signed center Darren Helm (five years, $19.25 million) before he could have been on the market.

■ After spending his entire, 10-season career in St. Louis, David Backes (five years, $30 million) bolted to play for the Bruins.

■ The Montreal Canadiens signed forward Alexander Radulov (one year, $5.75 million) to play in the NHL for the first time since he was with the Nashville Predators during the 2011-12 season.

■ The Calgary Flames signed forward Troy Brouwer (four years, $18 million) hoping he can bring some success he helped St. Louis and Chicago have in the postseason.

■ The San Jose Sharks added forward Mikkel Boedker (four years, $16 million) and defenseman David Schlemko (four years, $8.4 million) to bolster their chances of getting back to the Stanley Cup Finals.

■ The Florida Panthers, stockpiling goaltenders, signed James Reimer (five years, $17 million) with Roberto Luongo and Reto Berra on the roster.

■ The Toronto Maple Leafs, who probably dreamed of bringing Stamkos back home, had to settle for signing winger Matt Martin (four years, $10 million) to perhaps play on their fourth line.

■ The Philadelphia Flyers signed forward Dale Weise (four years, $9.4 million) to address one of the team's needs.

■ The Minnesota Wild signed center Eric Staal (three years, $10.5 million) four years after making a splash by giving Zach Parise and Ryan Suter 13-year, $98 million contracts.

D-Day remembered as Tour de France kicks off in Normandy

By Andrew Dampf
Associated Press

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Brian Cookson, British president of the International Cycling Union

SAINT-LO, France — The landing beaches. The war cemeteries. The museums. The first towns that were liberated more than 70 years ago.

The D-Day and World War II history that is embedded in the culture of Normandy is earning extra spotlight this weekend when the Tour de France opens with two stages in the region.

Saturday's opening leg starts at Mont-Saint-Michel, a World Heritage Benedictine abbey perched on a rock off the coast, and ends at Utah Beach, one of the key landing sites for Allied troops on June 6, 1944.

The first stage also passes through Sainte-Mere-Eglise, where American paratrooper John Steele dangled from a clock tower after his parachute got caught during the invasion, and survived. The town is now home to the Airborne Museum.

Stage 2 on Sunday finishes in Cherbourg-En-Cotentin, site of the Battle of Cherbourg.

Tejay van Garderen, the BMC rider who represents the United States' best hope for overall victory in the Tour, was wide eyed as he took a look around this week.

"It really puts into perspective what we're doing here," Van Garderen said on Friday. "We always say that we're soldiers going to war and then you see the real soldiers and you're like, 'OK, maybe this is just bike racing.'"

Teams were driven into the official team presentation in Sainte-Mere-Eglise on WWII-era jeeps and trucks on Thursday.

"I like the way organizers and the local people here have put together the appropriate historical reminders, that teams have been accompanied on the jeeps by the local people in costumes," said Brian Cookson, the British president of the International Cycling Union.

A legacy of the war was freedom, underlined by the diversity of the Tour teams.

Van Garderen, who was in third place when he had to abandon last year's Tour in tears due to illness four stages from the end, shares the BMC leadership with Australian standout Richie Porte. They are backed by riders from Germany, Italy, France, Switzerland, and Belgium.

"We're such an international team," Van Garderen said. "It shows that the world has come a long way."

The favorites for overall victory in the three-week race are two-time winner Chris Froome of Britain, two-time runner-up Nairo Quintana of Colombia, and two-time champion Alberto Contador of Spain.

After Saturday's stage, a group of American, British, Canadian, French, and German riders will lay white roses in front of Utah Beach's Peace Monument to commemorate the Allied landings.

"We will celebrate cycling as a peace symbol," Tour director Christian Prudhomme said. "The only thing that prevented the Tour de France taking place was world war, twice."

Started in 1903, the Tour is beginning its 103rd edition. The only years it wasn't held came from 1915-18 and 1940-46.

French rider Thomas Voeckler, whose grandfather fought during WWII, volunteered to take part in the ceremony, along with German sprinting standout Andre Greipel and Van Garderen.

Amael Moinard, a French member of BMC, was born in Cherbourg and knows all about D-Day.

"Growing up here, I've been into it from an early age because all our school trips were related to D-Day commemorations: Utah Beach, the Sainte-Mere-Eglise museum, the Caen memorial," Moinard said. "Then the 50th D-Day anniversary was something big for me, with all the presidents from countries across the world coming to Normandy. It's nice to start here."

Like the paratroopers before him, Moinard has a deep understanding of the winds in La Manche, as this area of Normandy is called. The way he sees it, the seven kilometers (four miles) of exposed road along the coast with 30 kilometers to go in the opening stage will evoke more fear about the wind — which has the potential to split the peloton in two — than the wind itself.

"As soon as you see the sea on the map each rider will say, 'It's going to be windy, tricky,'" Moinard explained. "It's going to make everybody nervous, and for sure a crash will happen. So all of the leaders and sprinters will want to be in the front.

"But then we take a much more protected road for the last 25K," Moinard added. "So it's more telling them, 'Just be relaxed. Everything is going to be OK, hopefully.'"

WIMBLEDON

From 1B

mother, Oracene Price, hustled from No. 1 Court, where she saw Venus win, across the way to catch the end of Serena's victory — the most shocking development Friday was what was going on in Novak Djokovic's third-rounder against 28th-seeded Sam Querrey of the U.S. before it was suspended because of showers in the evening.

Djokovic, owner of a 30-match Grand Slam winning streak that includes the past four major titles, allowed Querrey to seize the first two sets 7-6 (6), 6-1 during their 72 minutes of action. Given the way things were going for the No. 1-seeded Djokovic, he had to be thrilled that the match was halted, giving him a night to rest and regroup.

Only one man managed to move his way into the fourth round: Roger Federer. He got to play in the main stadium, with the roof overhead, and easily beat Britain's Daniel Evans 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.

Four other third-round men's matches were suspended in progress. Worst of all, from a scheduling standpoint, one second-round men's match is still not finished, with No. 24 Alexander Zverev locked in a fifth set against Mikhail Youzhny. And three second-round women's matches are also pending.

That is why officials decided to scrap the traditional rest day on the first Sunday, something that was done only in 1991, 1997 and 2004.

"I might take a day off tomorrow, just because I can," the 34-year-old Federer said with a smile. "Yeah, I can. I'm sorry, I can. I have to take them when I can. I'm an old guy."

Among the other winners Friday was 2009 U.S. Open champion Juan Martin del Potro, who has had three operations on his left wrist since he last participated at Wimbledon in 2014. He eliminated fourth-seeded Stan Wawrinka, a two-time major champion, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (2), 6-3 to reach the third round.

"My hands (are) shaking," del Potro said after being regaled with a lengthy ovation at Centre Court. "It's a great sensation for me, because I'm playing tennis again — and I feel alive."

Associated Press

Serena Williams celebrates after beating Christina McHale of the U.S in their women's singles match on day five of the Wimbledon Tennis Championships in London on Friday.

WIMBLEDON RESULTS

Friday
At The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club
London
Purse: $38.4 million (Grand Slam)
Surface: Grass-Outdoor

Men
Second Round
Juan Martin del Potro, Argentina, def. Stan Wawrinka (4), Switzerland, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (2), 6-3.
Tomas Berdych (10), Czech Republic, def. Benjamin Becker, Germany, 6-4, 6-1, 6-2.
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (12), France, def. Juan Monaco, Argentina, 6-1, 6-4, 6-3.
Lukas Rosol (32), France, def. Donald Young, United States, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3.
Nick Kyrgios (15), Australia, def. Dustin Brown, Germany, 6-7 (3), 6-1, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4.
John Isner (18), United States, def. Matthew Barton, Australia, 7-6 (8), 7-6 (3), 7-6 (8).
Feliciano Lopez (22), Spain, def. Fabio Fognini, Italy, 3-6, 6-7 (5), 6-3, 6-4, 6-3.
Alexander Zverev (24), Germany, leads Mikhail Youzhny, Russia, 6-4, 3-6, 6-0, 4-6, 2-1 (30-40), susp., rain.
Third Round
Roger Federer (3), Switzerland, def. Daniel Evans, Britain, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.
Marin Cilic (9), Croatia, leads Lukas Lacko, Slovakia, 6-3, 6-3, 0-1, susp., rain.
Nicolas Mahut, France, leads Pierre-Hugues Herbert, France, 7-6 (5), 6-4, 1-0, susp., rain.
Sam Querrey (28), United States, leads Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, 7-6 (6), 6-1, susp., rain.
Steve Johnson, United States, leads Grigor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, 4-3 (30-30), susp., rain.

Women
Second Round
Annika Beck, Germany, def. Aleksandra Sasnovich, Belarus, 6-2, 6-1.
Barbora Strycova (24), Czech Republic, def. Evgeniya Rodina, Russia, 6-4, 6-0.
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (21), Russia, def. Yulia Putintseva, Kazakhstan, 7-5, 6-1.
Serena Williams (1), United States, def. Christina McHale, United States, 6-7 (7), 6-2, 6-4.
Svetlana Kuznetsova (13), Russia, def. Tara Moore, Britain, 6-1, 2-6, 6-3.
Monica Niculescu, Romania, leads Timea Bacsinszky (11), Switzerland, 6-4, 2-6, 1-0 (40-40), susp., rain.
Mandy Minella, Luxembourg, leads Sloane Stephens (16), United States, 6-3, 6-7 (6), 3-3, susp., rain.
Ekaterina Makarova, Russia, leads Petra Kvitova (10), Czech Republic, 7-5 (30-40), susp., rain.
Third Round
Carla Suarez Navarro (12), Spain, def. Marina Erakovic, New Zealand, 6-2, 6-2.
Venus Williams (8), United States, def. Daria Kasatkina (29), Russia, 7-5, 4-6, 10-8.

Doubles
Men
First Round
Sam Groth, Australia, and Robert Lindstedt, Sweden, def. Leonardo Mayer, Argentina, and Joao Souza, Portugal, 6-3, retired.
Guillermo Duran and Maximo Gonzalez, Argentina, def. Guido Pella and Horacio Zeballos, Argentina, 6-4, 6-4.
Rohan Bopanna, India, and Florin Mergea (8), Romania, def. Marin Draganja and Nikola Mektic, Croatia, 7-6, 7-6 (8).
Oliver Marach, Austria, and Fabrice Martin, France, def. Sanchai and Sanchat Ratiwatana, Thailand, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Ivan Dodig, Croatia, and Marcelo Melo (5), Brazil, def. Paul-Hanri Mathieu and Benoit Paire, France, 6-2, 6-3.
Marcin Matkowski, Poland, and Leander Paes, India, def. Yen-hsun Lu, Taiwan, and Jurdie Tipsarevic, Serbia, 6-1, 6-3.
Andrej Martin, Slovakia, and Hans Podlipnik-Castillo, Chile, def. Johan Brunstrom and Andreas Siljestrom, Sweden, 6-3, 6-7 (4), 8-6.
Julien Benneteau and Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France, def. Marc Lopez and Albert Ramos-Vinolas, Spain, 6-3, 6-3.
Dusan Lajovic and Viktor Troicki, Serbia, def. Alexandr Dolgopolov and Sergiy Stakhovsky, Ukraine, 6-3, 6-1.
Lukasz Kubot, Poland, and Alexander Peya (7), Austria, beat Ken and Neal Skupski, Britain, 6-2, 6-7 (7), 1-0, susp., rain.
Pablo Cuevas, Uruguay, and Marcel Granollers (15), Spain, beat Brydan Klein and Alexander Ward, Britain, 6-4, 5-3 (40-Ad), susp., rain.
Gilles Muller, Luxembourg, and Frederik Nielsen, Denmark, leads Raven Klaasen, South Africa, and Rajeev Ram (11), United States, 1-1 (15-0), susp., rain.
Lleyton Hewitt and Jordan Thompson, Australia, beat Nicolas Almagro and David Marrero, Spain, 3-2, susp., rain.

Women
First Round
Anabel Medina Garrigues and Arantxa Parra Santonja (14), Spain, def. Barbora Krejcikova and Katerina Siniakova, Czech Republic, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.
Jelena Jankovic and Aleksandra Krunic, Serbia, beat Lara Arruabarrena, Spain, and Darina Kovinic, Montenegro, 7-5, 5-3, susp., rain.
Mixed
First Round
Juan-Sebastian Cabal and Mariana Duque-Marino, Colombia, def. Mate Pavic and Darija Jurak, Croatia, 6-3, 6-2.
Chris Guccione, Australia, and Elina Svitolina, Ukraine, def. Fabrice Martin, France, and Olga Savchuk, Ukraine, 6-2, 6-4.
Julian Knowle, Austria, and Zhang Shuai, China, lead Maximo Gonzalez, Argentina, and Raluca Olaru, Romania, 3-2 (40-Ad), susp., rain.

SOCKERS

From 1B

Barnes believes having those close bonds on and off the field could help expedite the club into an offensive rhythm sooner rather than later.

He said the players have been engaged and have been communicating in practices, coming to him with different strategies and ideas for improvement.

"It's the closest group we've had since I've been here," Barnes said. "They've integrated with each other really well. We (all) talk about some ideas, try to think outside the box about what we can do to try to keep problem solving here."

Added 23-year-old Serbian striker Nenad Markovic, who has registered three goals for the Sockers this season: "I'm pretty sure we have a really nice team. I think (having good chemistry will help). We are really (good) friends and one big family."

Going forward, the club feels confident in its potential if it can lift its offense up to par with its impressive defensive prowess.

"I've said it all year, I don't think we've played our best soccer yet," Barnes said. "But when things click for this team, it could be scary."

Said Henrique: "I would definitely be looking for the final four, if we put everyone on the same page. Our defensive line is pretty strong and we don't concede many goals. If we start putting these chances into the goal, we can be a really hard team to beat."

Note: With the Midland RockHounds out of town, the Fourth of July fireworks celebration will be held at Grande immediately following the match.

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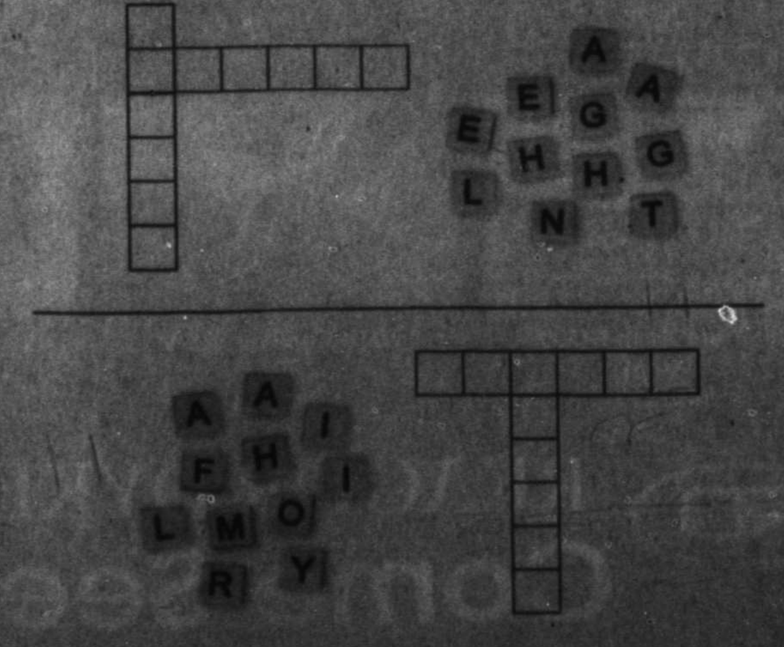

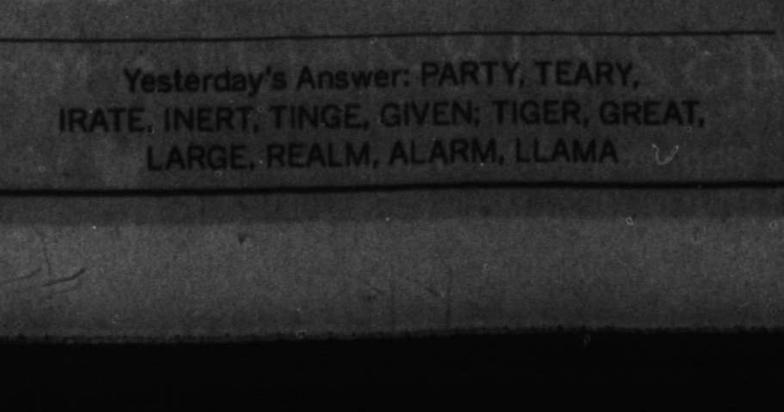

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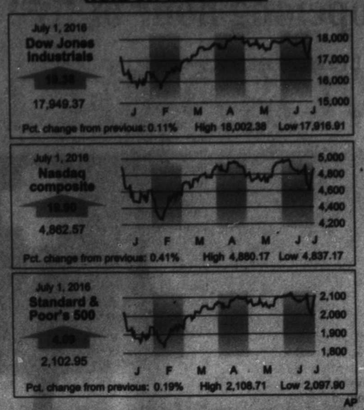

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NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
S&P500ETF207409209.92			+.45
BacAre	92199	13.10	-.17
VanEGold	746777	29.05	+1.34
B PVixST	737161	13.39	-.42
PUVixST rs	679984	8.85	-.58

Gainers ($3 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
HarleyO	54.25	+8.85	+19.8
GulfMrk	3.72	+.59	+18.8
BioAmbor	3.54	+.56	+18.8
Primero g	2.44	+.38	+17.3
UnivTirst	2.85	+.39	+17.3

Losers ($3 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DxGlBr rs	7.15	-1.73	-19.5
DirDGBr rs	6.70	-1.13	-14.4
PrSUbUrM	2.15	-.34	-13.5
PrSUbnSIM	3.76	-.43	-10.2
PrUSSlv rs	28.42	-3.23	-10.2

Diary

Advanced	1,918
Declined	1,112
Unchanged	101
Total issues	3,131
New Highs	406
New Lows	7
Volume	3,381,800,368

Amex

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SynergyRs	69809	7.04	+.38
MGT Cap	68552	3.97	+.15
NovaGold g	50198	6.79	+.57
NwGold g	46510	4.75	+.37
B2gold g	41743	2.80	+.29

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NewConcEn	2.26	+.47	+26.0
PalSpAl rs	3.96	+.57	+16.8
MAG Silv g	14.29	+1.68	+13.3
B2gold g	2.80	+.29	+11.5
NovaGold g	6.79	+.67	+10.9

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GranTrng g	3.14	-.24	-7.1
TrioTch	3.33	-.25	-7.0
RELM	4.74	-.35	-6.9
SupDrBg	2.06	-.12	-5.5
RxWrmWk	21.81	-.97	-4.3

Diary

Advanced	225
Declined	157
Unchanged	19
Total issues	401
New Highs	29
New Lows	3
Volume	133,998,091

Nasdaq

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
MicronT	666221	12.50	-1.26
CSVStSh rs	656314	2.05	-.13
SiriusXM	522284	3.97	+.02
Apple Inc	349619	95.89	+.29
Microsft	208122	51.16	-.01

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
YulongEn n	2.19	+.49	+27.8
USGlobIm	2.08	+.38	+21.2
Quotesr n	4.12	+.67	+19.4
XBiotech n	24.80	+3.96	+19.0
DicernaPh	3.54	+.54	+18.0

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CSVSbIndSlv	19.91	-3.48	-14.9
LabSyl n	4.53	-.62	-12.0
VestMltl h	2.50	-.30	-11.5
MicronrsE	2.00	-.24	-10.5
Dynatronic	2.67	-.30	-10.1

Diary

Advanced	1,727
Declined	1,051
Unchanged	182
Total issues	2,960
New Highs	133
New Lows	19
Volume	1,871,577,822

INDEXES

52-Week High	Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net % Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
18,167.63	15,370.33	Dow Jones Industrials	17,949.37	+18.38	+.11	+3.01	+1.24
8,530.82	6,403.31	Dow Jones Transportation	7,557.62	+72.49	+.97	+.85	-6.95
716.57	539.96	Dow Jones Utilities	715.97	-.55	-.08	+23.91	+27.59
11,032.61	8,937.99	NYSE Composite	10,515.76	+26.01	+.25	+3.67	-3.21
5,231.94	4,200.76	Nasdaq Composite	4,862.57	+19.50	+.41	-2.89	-2.93
2,132.82	1,810.10	S&P 500	2,102.95	+4.09	+.19	+2.89	+1.26
1,526.81	1,215.14	S&P Midcap	1,500.20	+3.70	+.25	+7.27	-.37
22,466.40	18,462.43	Wilshire 5000	21,739.07	+27.70	+.13	+2.70	-.96
1,275.90	943.09	Russell 2000	1,156.76	+4.84	+.42	+1.84	-7.33

PERMIAN BASIN STOCKS

How stocks of local interest fared

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.92	18	43.47	+.26	+26.3
Abiraxas	...	...	1.18	+.03	+9.4
AdeOvnEq	.92e	...	12.72	+.05	-.9
AMD	...	...	5.07	-.07	+76.7
Alcoa	.12	26	9.55	+.29	-3.2
AlonUSA	.60	...	6.81	+.13	-55.5
Amgen	4.00	16	164.28	+2.13	-5.0
AnadarKo	.36	...	54.99	+1.84	+13.0
Apache	1.00	...	56.87	+1.00	+27.4
Apple Inc	2.28f	11	95.89	+.29	-8.9
ApldMatl	.40	22	23.89	-.08	+28.0
Archrock	.36m	...	10.07	+.65	+33.9
ATMOS	1.68	25	80.47	-.86	+27.8
AutoData	2.12	28	92.75	+.88	+9.5
BP PLC	2.40e	...	36.00	+.49	+18.2
BabcoCIInv	1.20	...	18.37	+.40	+6.5
BakrHu	.68	...	45.63	+.70	-.7
BcoBrad s	.44e	...	7.91	+.15	+80.9
BcoSantSA	.35e	...	3.91	-.01	-19.7
BictAm	.20	10	13.10	-.17	-22.2
B PVixST	...	...	13.39	-.42	-33.4
BarrickG	.06	63	22.21	+.86	+200.9
BaskEn	...	...	1.57	-.01	-37.7
BerkHa A	...	...	182162298.00	-677.01	+9.4
BBkHlSCp	1.68f	39	64.08	+1.04	+38.0
BrBysSq	1.52	52	73.70	+.23	+7.3
BrownFA	1.36f	33	106.86	+1.16	-2.9
BrownsW	2.32f	20	66.88	-.86	-.4
CVS Health	1.70f	19	95.00	-.74	-2.8
Caterpillar	3.08	20	76.45	+.64	+12.5
Celestica g	...	9	9.35	+.05	-15.2
CntryLink	2.16	15	29.37	+.36	+16.7
ChesEng	...	...	4.59	+.31	-2.9
Chevron	4.28	...	104.15	-.38	+15.8
Chicos	.32	44	10.96	+.25	+2.7
Cimarex	.32	...	119.62	+.30	+33.8
Cisco	1.04	14	28.80	+.11	+6.9
Citigroup	.20	11	42.17	-.22	+16.5
ClayBrg	...	...	28.23	+.77	-4.8
CliffsNRs	...	64	5.74	+.07	+263.3
CocaCola	1.40f	26	40.12	-.21	+6.0
ColgPalm	1.56	26	72.96	-.25	+2.2
ConAgra	1.00	27	48.35	+.59	+18.9
ConocoPhls	...	...	119.03	-.34	+28.2
ConocoPhll	1.00	...	43.51	-.09	-6.8
CrackerB	4.80f	24	169.69	-1.78	+33.8
CSWstlVST	...	...	25.94	+.95	+.5
CSWstSh rs	...	...	2.05	-.13	-67.3
CrossTim	1.16e	12	18.39	+.28	+39.4
DCP Mid	3.12	26	34.86	+.37	+41.3
DTE	2.92	22	99.28	+.16	+23.6
Datarsm h	...	...	.60	-.01	-9.4
DevonE	.24	...	37.46	+1.29	+17.0
DirDGBr rs	...	...	6.70	-1.13	...
Disney	1.42	17	98.03	+.21	-8.7
DowChem	1.84	18	49.84	-.17	-5.8
EMC Co	.40	21	27.35	+.16	+6.5
EOG Resce	.97	...	84.76	+1.36	+19.9
EnpStat	1.04	25	18.52	-.84	+28.8
Endo Intl	...	...	16.98	+1.39	-72.3
Energen	.08	...	48.03	-.18	+17.2
EqyTREq s	1.14f	12	13.80	-.57	+.4
EnyTsfr	4.22	...	37.68	-.41	+11.7
EnPro	.84	...	44.87	+.48	+2.3
EntProP1	1.58f	22	29.02	-.24	+13.4
Ericsson	.46e	...	7.68	...	-20.1
Exelixis	...	...	8.17	+.36	+44.9
ExxonMbl	3.00f	30	93.94	+.10	+28.4
Facebook	...	54	114.19	-.69	+8.1
FordM	.60a	6	12.72	+.15	-9.7
FrptMcM	...	...	11.35	+.21	+67.7
GATX	1.60	8	46.33	+1.30	+6.5
GeoMetPf	.48.75	...	7.11	+.05	-5.3
GoldmSc	...	...	.62	+.15	-58.0
GrAlrp	1.19e	...	31.16	+.38	-2.8
GenDise	.92	40	31.49	+.01	+1.1
GenMotors	1.52	7	29.89	+.59	-15.1
GnPstnRn	1.96	22	39.89	+.19	+12.8
HalcnRs rs	...	...	.14	-.02	-81.8
HalliBrtn	.72	60	48.58	+.27	+33.8
HarleyO	1.24	15	54.25	+8.85	+19.5
HmaxTch	.13e	28	7.48	-.76	-8.6
IBnBond	1.02e	...	30.59	+.36	+47.8
IBnSmll	.91e	...	24.12	+.07	-7.9
IBnJapan	.13e	...	11.48	-.02	-5.3
IBnSilver	...	...	18.74	+.88	+42.1
IBnChinaLC	.76e	...	34.48	+.26	-2.3
IBnEMMkt	.94e	...	34.69	+.33	+7.8
IBn20 yrT	3.05	...	140.57	+1.67	+16.6
IB Euro	1.70e	...	55.52	...	-4.9
IBnBkHYB	5.09	...	84.47	-.23	+4.8
IBnR2K	1.73e	...	118.39	+.41	+2.5
IntlInt	1.04	14	32.75	-.68	-4.9
IntelCrp	1.20	17	35.11	-.57	+12.4
ItauUnbH	.45e	...	9.57	+.13	+47.2
JPMorgCh	1.76	11	61.25	-.88	-6.6
JohnJn	3.20f	20	121.29	-.01	+18.1
Keycorp	.24f	10	10.96	-.09	-16.9
KimbCh	3.60f	39	137.80	+.49	+7.8
KindMorg	.50	30	18.70	-.02	+25.3
Kinross g	...	...	5.36	+.47	+194.5
LegacyRes	.80m	...	1.76	+.14	+.6
LloydBkg	.47a	...	2.97	...	-31.9
LowesCo	.68	29	73.39	-.03	+11.8
MarathrO	.20	...	15.68	+.87	+24.5
McDnlds	3.56f	23	120.40	+.06	+1.9
Merck	1.84	21	57.94	+.33	+9.7
MerMidwd	...	39	30.11	+.38	+8.2
MicroEn	...	...	2.65	+.18	+18.0
MicronT	...	40	12.50	-1.26	-11.7
Microsft	1.44	36	51.16	-.01	-7.8
Nabors	.24	...	10.58	+.53	+24.3
NatGrid	3.39e	...	74.36	+.65	+6.8
NOVarco	1.84	19	34.44	+.75	+2.8
Netflix	...	...	96.67	+5.19	-15.5
NvPhil	.78e	...	15.09	+.01	+10.4
NuvPl	.92a	...	15.49	+.02	+9.9
NSTRS	.55e	...	15.80	+.07	+6.7
NTXUS	.55	...	15.87	+.08	+9.5
OcciPet	3.00	57	75.67	+.11	+11.9
PerTech	...	48	4.83	+.04	-28.2
ParkDrl	...	...	2.34	+.06	-28.8
PetMUTI	.08m	...	21.89	+.37	+43.8
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PwShs QQQ1.52e		...	108.08	+.54	-3.4
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PrmEngy	...	...	60.76	...	+14.6
PUVixST rs	...	...	8.85	-.58	-58.8
ProctGam	2.68f	29	84.78	+.11	+6.8
ProtoSP	...	...	17.73	-.08	-11.0
RangeRs	.08	...	44.48	+1.30	+80.7
RegionaFn	.28f	12	8.36	-.15	-12.9
RitaAid	...	...	7.31	-.18	-4.8
Rowan	.40	23	19.00	+1.04	+12.1
RoyDtchSh	3.76	84	55.56	+.34	+21.3
SpdrDJIA	3.98e	...	179.31	+.91	+3.1
SpdrGold	...	...	128.41	+1.94	+26.6
S&P500ETF	4.13e	...	209.92	+.45	+3.0
SabrR	2.10e	13	34.18	+.77	+30.2
SandstrRes	.08e	14	84.84	-0.09	+9.2
Schlmbrg	2.00	29	79.52	+.44	+14.0
SiriusXM	...	36	3.97	+.02	-2.5
Smucker	2.88	22	151.84	-.77	+22.9
SouthEnrgy	...	...	13.01	+.43	+83.0
SP Crd B	1.28e	...	54.89	-.26	+8.7
SPDR Fncl	.49e	...	22.74	-.12	-4.6
SP Indl	1.12e	...	56.19	+.16	+6.0
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USBk	1.32	19	37.07	-.44	+.2
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ValeantPh	...	...	20.44	+.30	-79.9
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VanEGold	.12e	...	29.05	+1.34	+111.7
VanE JrGld	...	...	45.36	+2.78	+136.2
VangEmg	1.10e	...	35.49	+.26	+6.5
VerizonCm	2.25	13	56.23	+.39	+21.7
Visa s	.80	28	74.48	+.31	-4.0
Vulcanrl	.60	53	119.88	-.48	+28.3
WEC Engy	1.98f	22	55.05	-.25	+25.8
WalgBoots	1.44	25	83.06	-.21	-2.5
WellsFargo	1.52f	11	47.03	-.30	-13.5
WstnRefin	1.52f	6	21.19	+.56	-40.5
WhitingPet	...	...	9.86	+.40	-2.3
WmsCos	2.56	...	20.56	-1.07	-30.0
XcelEnergy	1.38	21	44.78	...	+24.7
Xerox	.31	19	9.36	-.14	-12.8
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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: San Antonio Zoo animal care specialist Angela Garza talks with visitors about Tumbo, a male hippopotamus, during a feeding June 13 at the zoo. Sophia Galvan, 6, of Edinburg, feeds "Cosmo" at the San Antonio Zoo on June 12. Visitors walk by the lions exhibit at the San Antonio Zoo on June 12.

San Antonio Zoo looks to expand, improve

By Elizabeth Lepro
San Antonio Express-News

As the fresh dirt settles in Lucky the elephant's updated habitat, the San Antonio Zoo is already planning for a new wave of expansion worth up to $100 million that will take the zoo beyond its borders for the first time in its history.

"We want to do new, innovative things here," Executive Director Tim Morrow said. "What can we have for the people of San Antonio that no one else is doing?"

The zoo just spent more than $4 million over a year and a half renovating habitats and beautifying the grounds. Some improvements have garnered more attention than others: 56-year-old Lucky is now living in a home three times the size recommended for just one elephant.

Part of the special focus on Lucky's exhibit is in response to activist concerns that the elderly elephant shouldn't be alone in her habitat because she is by nature a herd animal. In December, the Animal Legal Defense Fund sued the zoo, alleging that it is harming the mammal by keeping her alone — her companion Boo died three years ago — and keeping her in an unnatural habitat. Several major zoos across the country have closed their elephant exhibits, some citing costs, as activists contend that keeping elephants in captivity is bad for them physically and socially.

The San Antonio Zoo has adamantly assured visitors — and protesters — that Lucky is healthy and receives constant attention here. She's too old for a new partner, they say, and it's not a good idea to move her to a reserve miles away where they fear she would be bullied by younger, stronger elephants.

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"Cosmo" checks out the visitors to the San Antonio Zoo on June 12. The San Antonio Zoo is planning an ambitious expansion project that could top $100 million.

As part of the recent habitat renovation, the zoo added a deeper pool for Lucky, where she can submerge completely, with a continuous supply of fresh water. It has a beachfront entrance that connects to a sustainable rain garden, new foliage and a new layer of soil and sand.

Creating more organic environments for the animals is the focus for the future, as zoo administration and the board of directors begin to plan this summer for the next 25 years of development. The zoo also plans to build on 12 acres of property on either side of U.S. 281 as well as install "touch point exhibits" across the city.

Additionally, in what Morrow called the "first jump outside (the zoo's) fences," the outdoor-oriented preschool, "Zoo School," will move into what is currently the KIPP Esperanza Academy on Tuleta Drive. The preschool will relocate in fall 2017, according to spokesman Brian Carter, who added that the zoo will look for sponsorship from both local and national businesses.

"We will start local because this is San Antonio's zoo first and foremost," Carter said. "The timing of when we'll break ground on our first exhibit will really depend on the fundraising."

Since Morrow came to San Antonio nearly two years ago, the zoo has gotten a makeover: Buildings have been repainted from brown to blues and greens, entryways have been demolished to make walkways more spacious, and the Mays Plaza dining area in the new Zootenial Plaza now distributes energy through solar panels.

In addition to Lucky's revamped home, other exhibits also model the zoo's vision.

Hippos loll in modern digs, giving visitors a close-up look underwater through glass panels. A family of giraffes moved into a spacious new area last year, complete with a public feeding station.

There's more to come.

Eager children toting "zoo-venir-sized" soda cups, pushing past their parents to get a peek at the zoo's family of five lions, were disappointed one recent Sunday by an empty exhibit and a "temporary construction" sign.

Although exact plans for their exhibit are not yet final, the lions will be getting a spruced-up living area. For now, they're sharing a home with the tigers for the summer. When the tigers are out in the open, the lions stay in the cave at the back of the habitat. When the lions go outside, the tigers come inside.

Carter said the new design for the lions could eliminate the habitat's large moat and replace it with a fence barrier and a screen through which visitors can watch trainers work with the large felines.

The Presnal family, who have zoo memberships, said the updates have already had a big effect on their overall experience. Recently, Allison Presnal, 5, was clutching her stuffed Komodo dragon, eye level with a sleeping cheetah behind a panel of thick glass.

"We've been coming here for probably five years," said Allison's dad, Jeremy. "But it seems like this year, the expansion has really afforded a much more exciting visit."

That's the idea for most of the renovations, Carter said: giving visitors a more personal view of the animals.

One exhibit that doesn't fit that trend quite yet is the home of the colobuses, black-and-white monkeys with fluffy faces and slender bodies covered in manelike hair. Their habitat — built like a large brown cage — is the type that the zoo wants to phase out, according to Carter.

"They're not naturalized. It's not ideal," Carter said.

Morrow and members of the board have spent the past few

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	WildA.	House	GMA Saturday		Wild C.	Ocean M.	S.Rescue	Wildlife D	RockPark	Explore	Family	Mr. Box
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS This Morning Saturday				LuckyDog	Dr. Chris	Innovate	Inspect	Chicken	Changers	Bucket	FunTrips
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Pulnstuf	Land Lost	Green	Green	History	History	Hunters	Hunters	Wagon Train		The Big Valley	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Consumr	Consumer	Aqua Kid	Animals	WildA.	Outdoors	Weekend Marketplace				Mazda	Raceweek
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Light of Southwest		News	Creation	Enarson	S. Baras	News	Hebrew	Camino	Hiddenin	Z. Levitt	HaYesod
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Farmit.	TBA	Saturday Today				Floogals	Nina's	Ruff-Ruff	Astro	Chica	NollDoll
KPBT PBS	13	13	-	13	8	D.Tiger	Caillou	C.George	Cat	Clifford	Bob Build	Speaks	Arthur	Lidia	Cook's	Julia Kit.	V.Garden
KUPB UNI	4	4	-	4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Pocoyo	Amigos	Mickey	Mickey	Handy	Handy	Pagado	Pagado	Como dice el dicho	
KOSA MNT	16	16	-	16	-	JTV	JTV Direct	Into Wild	J. Hanna	Dog Tales	Pets.TV	Dragon	Awesome	Whadd	News	RawTrav.	AmAthlete
FLIX	340	575	-		165	(5:50) ★★ Danger Zone				(6:25) ★ Star Kid		(8:10) ★★ Waterworld ('95, Act) Kevin Costner.					Movie
HBO	300	550	14	14		Movie	(6:25) ★ Alvin and the Chipmunks			Sesame	Sesame	★★★ The Secret Garden			(7:45) One Last Hug		Movie
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	Movie	Bill Maher			★★ The Maze Runner Dylan O'Brien.			Wednes	Veep	★ Lucy Scas... J.Johansson.		
HBO5	304	552	16	102		(5:00) ★ The Great S...	Lady Day Emerson					★★★★ The Pianist ('02, Dra) Adrien Brody.				★ The Man From ...	
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	Movie	(6:45) ★★★★ Once			(7:15) ★ The Good Lie Reese Witherspoon.					(9:05) ★★★ Frequency Dennis Quaid.		
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:05) ★ Brokeback Mountain				(6:25) ★ ★ Drumline Nick Cannon.				(8:25) ★★★ Batman Returns			Movie
PLEX			96			(5:55) ★ The Karate Kid Ralph Macchio.				(7:45) ★★ Love Field Michelle Pfeiffer.				(9:35) ★★ Sabrina Harrison Ford.			
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(5:15) ★ Paddington		★★★★ Ray ('04, Bio) Jamy Washington, Jamie Foxx.					(8:35) ★ Woman in Gold Helen Mirren.				Movie
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	Movie	(5:25) ★ ★ Price ('07, Dra) Terrence Howard.					(8:20) ★★ Brittle ('07, Com) Logan Brownlee.				★★ Snow Day Chevy Chase.	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Flipping "Cat House"		Flipping Vegas		Waterfr.	Waterfr.	Waterfr.	Waterfr.	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds "Hit"	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	The American West		Rifleman	Rifleman	Rifleman	Rifleman	★★★ The War Wagon ('67, Dra) John Wayne.					Movie
BET	58	-		40		(5:00) BET Inspiration		Fabulous	Fabulous	Music Moguls		Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Fresh P.	BET Awards	
BRAVO	65	76		41		(5:00) ★ Legally Blo...		Southern Charm		Below "Charter King"		Below "Fever Pitch"		Million Dollar List		Million Dollar List	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Paid	Paid	F1 Racing	Paid	Jay Leno's Garage		Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid Program		Paid
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Saturday		New Day Saturday		Smerconish		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	- I Escaped Jaws		Ninja Sharks		Sharks of Cuba		Alien Sharks	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Goldie and Bear (N)		(5:55) To Be Announced				(6:50) To Be Announced			(7:15) To Be Announced		
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsC.	To Be Announced					SportsC.	To Be Announced		
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:00) Fox & Friends Saturday						Bull Bear	Cavuto	Forbes	Cash In	Property	Journal E.
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Pleasure	Top 5 (N)	BBQ	Heart	Southern	Pioneer	Pioneer	Rules (N)	The Kitchen (N)		Cooking	Heaton
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Daddy	★ ★★★ Holes ('03, Adv) Shia LaBeouf, Sigourney Weaver.					Dead of Summer			★ ★★★ Hook ('91, Fant) Robin Williams.		
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	MLB Baseball Texas vs Minnesota				Outdoor	Huddle	Paid (N)	Paid	MLB Baseball Texas vs Minnesota			
FX	31	56	59	64	69	Ellen	Buffy Vampire Slayer		Anger M.	Anger M.	2½Men	2½Men	2½Men	2½Men	★★★ Oblivion Tom Cruise.		
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	★ When Sparks Fly Meghan Markle.			
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Tiny H.	Tiny House	Tiny H.	Tiny H.	Tiny H.	Tiny H.	Tiny H.	Tiny H.	Tiny H.	Tiny H.	Tiny H.	Tiny H.
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	The Revolution		The Revolution		The Revolution		The Revolution		The Revolution		The Revolution	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	My Crazy Ex		★ Marriage of Lies	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		AM Joy				MSNBC Live	
NBCSN	38	43				(5:30) Cycling Stage 1 Mont Saint-Michel - Utah Beach, Sainte-Marie-du-Mont										F1 Auto Racing	
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	LoudHou.	Dino	ALVINNN
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) Paid Program		Twilight	★ ★★★ Fright Night ('11, Com) Anton Yelchin.					★★ From Dusk Till Dawn			
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	★ ★ Lottery Ticket ('10, Com) Bow Wow.				★★ Norbit ('07, Com) Eddie Murphy.			
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	Hawks	★ ★★★★ Anthony Adverse ('36, Rom) Fredric March.					★★★ The Irish In Us			★★★★ Alibi Ike	Movie	
TELE	20	-	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Noodle	De chica	De chica	Nina's	Nina's	LazyTown	Pagado	Pagado	SOS: Salva mi casa	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Law & Order		Law & Order "Brazil"		LawOrder "Crashers"		Law & Order		LawOrder "Immortal"		Law & Order	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid Program		Paid Program		Motive		NCIS		NCIS "Recovery"		NCIS "Phoenix"	
WGN	19	85				Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	In Heat of Night		Underground		Undergr. "War Chest"		Underground	

SATURDAY AFTERNOON — JULY 2, 2016

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	G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Y. Icons	Comics	World of X Games		E:60 "Perfect Game"		To Be Announced		Paid	Paid	Paid	News
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Lost Treasure Fleet		PGA Golf Bridgestone Invitational Site: Firestone Country Club -- Akron, Ohio (L)								Moms Ev.	News
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Gunsmik. "Root Down"		Bonanza "Tommy"		Rawhide		Wanted	Wanted	Rifleman	Rifleman	Superman	Batman
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Paid	Paid	Funniest "Summer"		BigBang	BigBang	Paid	Paid	Modern	Modern	2½Men	2½Men
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	News	Walking	Restore	S. Baras	Light of Southwest		Light of Southwest		Zion	Hiddenin	WhatCost	Audra
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Southern Weekend		Track & Field Olympic Trials Site: Hayward Field -- Eugene, Ore. (L)						Rallycross (L)		W.America	News
KPBT PBS	13	13	-	13	8	Texas	Old House	House	Motor.	Woodsh'p	Expedit.	Landscap	Explorer	Fishing	Parks	News.	Potus
KUPB UNI	4	4	-	4	16	Lanzate		Sabadazo						Mi jefe	Noticiero	Rosa Guadalupe	
KOSA MNT	16	16	-	16	-	Access Hollywood		Flipside	Spaces	Homeown.	Hazelton	O.House	Homes	The Good Wife		Moms Ev.	Studio 7
FLIX	340	575	-		165	(11:30) ★ Death War...		★★★ Cinema Paradiso Philippe Noiret.				(3:05) ★ ★★★ Shoppin Steve Martin.				(5:55) ★★ The War	
HBO	300	550	14	14		(11:30) ★ Maze Runner: The Sco...		(1:45) Real Sports		(2:30) ★★ Everest ('15, Adv) Jake Gyllenhaal.						★ Jem & the Hol...	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	Silicon	Silicon	Silicon	Silicon	Silicon	Silicon	Silicon	Silicon	Silicon	Silicon	★ Insurgent	
HBO5	304	552	16	102		(11:00) ★ The Man F...		★★ American Pie Chris Klein.		(2:40) ★★ American Pie 2 Jason Biggs.					Game of Thrones		Movie
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(3:05) ★★ Batman Forever Val Kilmer.				(5:10) ★ The Drop ('14, Cri) Tom Hardy.				★ The Godfather Epic (2016, Drama)			
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(11:35) ★ Joe Some...		(2:15) ★★ Bulletproof				(4:40) ★ Code Name: The Cleaner		(6:15) ★★★ Parenthood Steve Martin.			
PLEX			96			(3:55) ★ Rosemont Brad Dourif.				(5:45) ★★★ American Violet				(7:35) ★★ Love Field Michelle Pfeiffer.			Movie
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(11:30) ★★ The Gift				★★★ Good Will Hunting Matt Damon.				(7:50) ★ Need for Speed ('14, Act) Aaron Paul.			
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	★★ The Pink Panther				(2:35) ★ The Joneses				(4:10) ★ American Loser		(5:45) ★★ Supernova	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Crim. Minds "Run" 2/2		C.Minds "The Pact"		Wahlburgers		Wahlbrg	Wahlburg	Wahlburgers		The First 48	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(11:30) ★★★ The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance						★★★ Big Jake ('71, West) Richard Boone, John Wayne.				★ ★★★ El Dorado	
BET	58	-		40		(11:00) BET Awards						★ ★ House Party 2: The Pajama Jam ('91, Com) Christopher Reid.					
BRAVO	65	76		41		Million Dollar List		Million Dollar List		Odd Mom	Odd Mom	Real Housewives		Real Housewives		Real Housewives	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		News	Signs	CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		Smerconish	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Allen Sharks: Abyss		Air Jaws: Night Sta.		Sharks Among Us		Shark Bait		Deadliest Sharks		Isle of Jaws	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	(5:15) To Be Announced			(5:50) To Be Announced				★ To Be Announced			(7:15) TBA	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	(10:30) To Be Announced		To Be Announced						To Be Announced			
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	SportsCenter		UEFA Soccer Euro '16 Site: Nouveau Stade de Bordeaux (L)							ESPN FC	30 for 30	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	America's News HQ			America's News HQ	America's News HQ		America's News HQ		To Be Announced		America's News HQ	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Kids BBQ Champ		Food Network Star		Chopped		Chopped Junior		Cake Wars		Cutthroat Kitchen	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(10:00) ★★★ Hook		★★ Charlie and the Chocolate Factory ('05, Adv) Johnny Depp.						★★★ Jurassic Park ('93, Sci-Fi) Sam Neill.			
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Insider	Pre-game	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Minnesota Twins Site: Target Field (L)						Rangers	Big 12	Champions Tennis	
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(10:30) ★★★ Oblivion			★★★ 300: Rise of an Empire				★★★ Man of Steel ('13, Act) Henry Cavill.				
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	★ ★ First Daughter Katie Holmes.				★ Unleashing Mr. Darcy Ryan Pavey.				★ Love on the Air Alison Sweeney.			
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	The Revolution		The Revolution		The Revolution		The Making of Trump		"The Swagger"		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(11:00) ★ Marriage o...		★ Dying to Be Loved Lindsay Hartley.				★ Stolen from the Suburbs Brooke Nevin.				★ The Wrong Ro...	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera	
NBCSN	38	43				Racing	OffGrid	NASCAR Special		AMA Motocross Redbud National (L)				Track & Field Olympic Trials (L)		NASCAR	
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	LoudHou.	LoudHou.	LoudHou.	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Henry Danger	
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Movie	★ ★★★ Blade ('98, Act) Stephen Dorff, Wesley Snipes.					★★ G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra					Movie
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	★★★★ The Pacifier ('05, Com) Vin Diesel.				Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Girls	Girls	Girls	Girls
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(11:45) ★★★ Moonfleet				★ Bad Day at Black Rock		★★★ Bullitt ('68, Cri) Steve McQueen.				★ The Carey Treat...	
TELE	20	-	10	20		La Voz Kids				★ El Escuadron Del Crimen Chris Brown.				Noticiero	Videos	America's Funniest	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Dateline NBC		Dateline NBC		Dateline NBC		Dateline NBC	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	★ ★★★ The Next Three Days ('10, Dra) Russell Crowe.				(4:45) ★★ Enemy of the State ('98, Act) Gene Hackman, Will Smith.							Movie
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba
USA	26	55	42	27	49	NCIS "Lost at Sea"		NCIS "The Namesake"		NCIS "Gone"		NCIS "Devil's Trifecta"		NCIS "Hit and Run"		NCIS "Canary"	
WGN	19	85				Underground "Firefly"		Underground		Underground		Undergr. "Cradle"		Undergr. "Graves"		Underground	

SATURDAY PRIME TIME — JULY 2, 2016

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	People's List		In An Instant "Desert Dog Rescue" (N)				Local 2 News/ 10	(:35) Extra	Weekend	(:35) Paid Program
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News	The Insider	Weekend	Angel Hell (N)	Angel Hell (N)	48 Hours		48 Hours	CBS 7 News	(:35) Elementary		(:35) P. Interest
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	The Incredible Hulk "Another Path"		Wonder Woman		Star Trek "The Deadly Years"		★ ★ Abbott and Costello Go to Mars ('53, Com) Lou Costello, Bud Abbott.				Lost In Space "Junkyard of Space"	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	MLB Baseball (L)						Blue Bloods		Party Over Here	The Grinder	TMZ	
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	HaYesod	Hidden In Plain Sight	Housecall	Update News	Light of the Southwest		Light of the Southwest		Lars Enarson	Hidden/ Hebrew	Jean-Claude	Del Camino
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Count-down (L)	(:45) NASCAR International	Auto Racing Coke Zero 400 Sprint Cup Series Site: Daytona Speedway -- Daytona Beach, Fla. (L)						NewsWe-st 9 at 10		Saturday Night Live	
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	History Detectives		Songs of the Mountains		Pacific Heartbeat "A Place to Call Home"				Austin City Limits		Bluegrass Under	Songs Center
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	La rosa de Guadalupe		★★★ Su Excelencia (1967, Comedy/Drama) Sonia Infante, Tito Junco, Mario Moreno.						Durmiendo mi jefe	Noticiero Univision	Estrellados	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Rizzoli & Isles		Castle		Scandal			Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Anger M.	Tosh.0	NameG.	Fam.Feud
FLIX	340	575			165	(6:55) ★★ The War		★ ★ Waterworld ('95, Act) Kevin Costner.						★ ★ Thoy Laura Regan.			★ The Texas Chai...
HBO	300	550	14	14		(5:00) ★ Jem & the H...		★ Suffragette ('15, Dra) Carey Mulligan.				★★ Vacation Ed Helms.				(:45) Thrones "The Broken Man"	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(5:00) ★ Insurgent		Silicon	★ ★★★ Trainwreck Amy Schumer.				LastWeek	(7:15) ★★★ The Transporter			BillMaher
HBO5	304	552	16	102		(5:45) ★★★ National Treasure				★★★★ Mad Max: Fury Road				Hard Knocks		H.Knocks	H.Knocks
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:00) ★ The Godfather Epic (2016, Drama)										(:05) ★ Criminal Ac...	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(3:35) ★ ★★ Black Knight Martin Lawrence.				(5:35) ★ Borat: Cultural Learnings o...				(7:25) ★★★ Batman Michael Keaton.			Movie
PLEX			96			(5:25) ★ Resurrecti...		(7:35) ★★ Sabrina ('95, Com/Dra) Harrison Ford.						★ Rosemont Brad Dourif.		(9:10) ★ To Sir, With...	
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	Roadies		Ray Donovan		★ Southpaw ('15, Dra) Jake Gyllenhaal.				(:05) Roadies		(:05) Ray Donovan	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(5:15) ★ It Follows ('14, Hor) Maika Monroe.				★★★★ Battle Royale (2000, Horror)				★ ★ Halloween: Resurrection			Movie
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48 (N)				(:05) The First 48		(:05) The First 48	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:00) ★★★ El Dorado John Wayne.				Hell on "Gambit" (N)		AmericanWest (N)		Hell on Wh "Gambit"		The American West	
BET	58	-		40		★ Revenge Class (2013, Comedy) Faye Dunaway, Paula Patton.						★★★ Just Wright ('10, Com) Common, Paula Patton, Queen Latifah.					
BRAVO	65	76		41		The Real Housewives	Real Housewives					★★ Legally Blonde Reese Witherspoon.		★★ Legally Blonde Reese Witherspoon.		Jay Leno's Garage	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Jay Leno "Supercars"		Jay Leno's Garage		Jay Leno's Garage		Jay Leno's Garage		Jay Leno's Garage		Jay Leno's Garage	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	The Eighties "Raised on Television"				The Eighties		Eighties "Tech Boom"		The Eighties		The Eighties	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Jaws of the Deep		Jungle Shark (N)		Sharksanity 3 (N)		Shallow Water (N)		Sharksanity 3		Shallow Water	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	(5:15) TBA	TBA	★ To Be Announced			(6:50) To Be Announced				★ To Be Announced		
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Baseball Tonight		To Be Announced						SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	SportsCenter		30 for 30 "Believeland"			ESPN FC	UEFA Soccer Euro 2016		Quarter-final		NBA Free Agency (N)	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	FOX Report Saturday		Secrets of Religion		Secrets of Religion		Secrets of Religion		The O'Reilly Factor		To Be Announced	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(5:00) ★ Jurassic Park		★★★ The Lost World: Jurassic Park ('97, Adv) Jeff Goldblum.						Dead of Summer		★ Jurassic Park III	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	(5:00) Tennis		Mavericks	WNBA Basketball Connecticut vs Dallas (L)				Insider	Champio. "Baseball"		Champio. "Softball"	
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(3:30) ★ Man of Steel		★ ★ The Purge ('13, Hor) Ethan Hawke.				★ ★ The Purge ('13, Hor) Ethan Hawke.				Mike&M.	Mike&M.
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	★ The Wedding March		Jack Wagner.		★ Love by Chance Brenda Strong.				G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Property Brothers		Beachfront Reno (N)		Renovation		Big Sky	Big Sky	Beachfront Reno	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Pickers "Pandoras Box"		American Pickers		Barbarians Rising "Ruin"				(:05) Amer. Pickers		(:05) Amer. Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(5:00) ★ Stolen from ...		★ Deadly Friend (1986, Hor) Kristy Swanson.				★ The Wrong Child ('15, Thri) Vivica A. Fox.				★ Newlywed & Da...	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera	
NBCSN	38	43				Swimming		Swimming		UCI Cycling Tour de France				Post-race	Victory Lap (L)		Cycling
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Henry Danger		The Thundermans		Nicky "Go Hollywood"	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Jail
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) ★ ★★★ G.I. Joe: Retaliation				★★ Clash of the Titans ('10, Act) Sam Worthington.				★★★ Clash of the Titans			
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Girls	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Rental	Wrecked	Tribeca	★ Nobitt	
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:00) ★ The Carey T...		★ ★★★ Hud ('63, Dra) Paul Newman, Patricia Neal, Brandon De Wilde.						★ Texas Rangers Seven Brothers			Movie
TELE	20	-	10	20		Que noche		★ Amar ('09, Act) Sofi Selama, Sigourney Weaver, Sam Worthington.						Titulares	Videos	La Reina Del Sur	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Dateline NBC		Dateline NBC		Dateline NBC		Dateline NBC		Dateline NBC		Dateline NBC	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(5:30) ★ The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon...		Animal King "Pilot"		Animal Kingdom		Animal Kingdom		Animal Kingdom		Animal "Dead to Me"	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	55	42	27	49	NCIS "Hesitate"		NCIS "Detour"		NCIS "Prime Suspect"		NCIS "Seek"		Modern	Modern	Modern	Modern
WGN	19	85				Underground		★ ★ Man of Honor ('00, Dra) Robert De Niro.						★ ★ Air Force One ('97, Act) Harrison Ford.			

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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: This April 24 photo shows the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Museum on the shores of Lake Erie in Cleveland. This April 25 photo shows two buttons on display at the First Ladies National Historic Site museum in Canton, Ohio. This April 22 file photo, shows a replica of a log cabin where President James Garfield was born in Moreland Hills, Ohio.

A presidential bar and more: Cleveland for conventioneers

By Beth J. Harpaz
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Conventioneers, political geeks and others heading to the GOP convention in Cleveland, take note: With seven presidents born in Ohio, there's a lot of history here.

But what might be the most intriguing presidential-themed site in Cleveland isn't a museum or historic home. Nope. It's a dive bar named for an obscure president who was actually born in New York. It's called the Millard Fillmore Presidential Library, but the only political memorabilia on display is of the goofball variety — such as a photo of Mount Rushmore with Fillmore's face plastered in. The drink menu includes a Fillmore Manhattan and beers named Fireside Chat, 21st Amendment and Jackie O's Firefly Amber.

Elsewhere, the Cleveland area has plenty of bonafide political sites — like the James A. Garfield Memorial, honoring the Ohio-born 20th president, and the First Ladies National Historic Site 60 miles away in Canton. But for GOP delegates and anybody else needing a place to kick back when the Republicans come to town to pick their presidential nominee July 18-21, the Millard Fillmore Presidential Library might just be the place.

Why Fillmore, when he's not even born in Ohio? Bar owner Tom Bell says he "wanted to puncture the whole idea of presidential libraries. It's such a pompous, self-aggrandizing tribute. So I did a little research and found out the most commonly bottom-ranked president in the history of our country was Millard Fillmore."

The bar is located in an emerging hipster 'hood called the Waterloo Arts & Entertainment District, amid businesses on Waterloo Road like Blue Arrow Records, Star Pop vintage clothing, Citizen Pie pizza and the Beachland Ballroom, a live music club. On a recent visit, a man was throwing up in a sidewalk trash can a few doors down while a shouting match took place at a bus stop. "It's kind of a gritty neighborhood but that's part of the charm," said bartender Jim Caldwell, adding that Cleveland's self-deprecating identity is sometimes summed up like this: "At least we're not Detroit."

Not that Cleveland doesn't have a bright and shiny side. In the Ohio City neighborhood, you'll find beautifully restored Victorian homes, brew pubs like Bier Markt serving craft beer and artisanal pizza, and the historic, vibrant West Side Market. Vendors at the market illustrate Cleveland's proud ethnic heritage, a melting pot that ranges from Czuchraj Meats, selling homemade beef jerky, to Reilly's Irish Bakery, offering shepherd's pie and Cornish pasties.

The glittering Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Museum, housed in a glass pyramid on the banks of Lake Erie, is hosting "Louder Than Words: Rock, Power and Politics," an exhibit about rock music's activism in civil rights, anti-war and other protest movements. At the Cleveland History Center, you'll find "Power & Politics," with artifacts ranging from campaign buttons to inaugural gowns.

Political geeks will also want to hit the James Garfield trifecta: His birthplace, home and final resting place can all be visited in one day. He was the last president born in a log cabin, and a replica of that home can be visited in Moreland Hills. The beautifully preserved farmhouse where he later lived with his wife and children in Mentor is a National Park site. And his casket is on display at Cleveland's Lake View Cemetery in a massive, castle-like monument.

In Jefferson, Ohio, history buffs will find the Giddings Law Office, a National Historic

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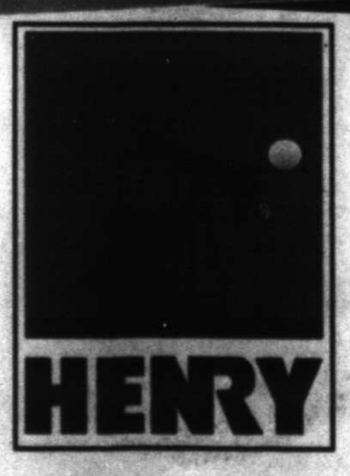

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A female Amur Tiger briefly looks out into her new enclosure inside Rosebrough Tiger Passage at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo on June 2.

Cleveland Zoo opens its new exhibit

By Craig Webb
Akron Beacon Journal

CLEVELAND — Imagine coming face to face with a tiger and living to tell the tale.

The Cleveland Metroparks Zoo's new Rosebrough Tiger Passage literally puts visitors smack dab in the middle of the tiger exhibit to see the Amur tigers up close and personal.

Unlike the old, moated, grotto-style exhibit where zoo guests had to crane their necks to see the tigers snoozing off in the distance; the new $4.1 million home for the majestic cats puts the animals front and center and gives them plenty of space to play.

Walking inside the exhibit is almost like being inside the hamster cage with the majority of the space left for the beasts to roam instead of the guests. The new tiger habitat is five times the size of the old exhibit.

Glass panels separate the guests from the tigers, and there are caged tunnels overhead for them to roam from place to place. Pieces of tape have been placed on the glass as the tigers get used to having a window to the zoo.

Instead of one space for the tigers, the new exhibit is actually four different interconnected enclosures for them to explore.

Zoo officials say the new spaces will also allow the tigers to do what comes natural to them in the wild — whether that be climbing, wandering through a meadow, walking through shallow streams or soaking in pools. It may take some time for the tigers to get used to their new digs and fully explore the space.

The coolest feature are the two tiger trails that allow the cats to walk on paths over the heads of visitors below — the only real danger for guests could come when nature calls and the tiger is on the prowl over your head.

As guests walk up a winding path to the new exhibit, they are greeted by a series of signs that not only offer cool facts about the tigers but also some sobering ones too about the tigers' struggle for survival with threats from hunters and poachers and even development.

The real stars of the attraction are the zoo's two Amur (Siberian) tigers.

Dasha, a female, was born at the Cleveland Zoo in 2001, and Klechka, 12, a male, was born at the Toledo Zoo.

The male tigers are 8 to 10 feet long including a 3-foot-long tail. They can weigh anywhere from 450 to 675 pounds.

Female tigers are typically 8 feet long and can weigh 200 to 350 pounds.

Zoo officials say an Amur tiger's stripes are unique so there are no two that are identical.

The Amur tiger is now found only in the wild in the Sikhote-Alin range in the Primorski and Khabarovsk provinces in Russia with small pockets in the border area of China and North Korea.

Aside from poachers, zoo officials say, the tigers' natural heavily forested habitats are threatened by loggers, miners and road construction.

Classified as endangered by the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources, there are an estimated 540 left in the wild.

To raise awareness of the threats to animal species, the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo has created a new website, futureforwildlife.org.

The website also offers tips on how to avoid purchasing products that threaten not only the endangered animals, but also their habitats.

This all begs the question whether an exhibit like this and a website make a difference? With 1.1 million visitors a year to the Cleveland Zoo alone — it is certainly a good start.

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Zoo

From 1C

months benchmarking against other zoos including the Philadelphia Zoo and the Bronx Zoo. Morrow has no concrete plans for what an off-site exhibit in San Antonio might be, but pointed to aquariums and insectariums as examples.

Adding new animals would depend on which species are available and what kind of habitat they need, Carter said.

Polar bears, for example, aren't easy to find. And they might not be the best fit in San Antonio, with its 100-degree summer weather. The zoo is considering sponsoring traveling pop-up exhibits downtown, perhaps with reptiles or aquatic creatures.

Ultimately, Morrow said, he wants input from the community. But some locals are concerned that their tax money is going toward the expansion, Carter said.

"I think there's this public misperception about the city or the taxpayers paying a lot of money for these improvements," Carter said. "Everything we've done, including the $4 million, we raise all of that."

The zoo draws a significant amount of money into the area, said Chris Bathie, president of the zoo's board of directors, when visitors stop at nearby restaurants, shops and hotels.

"Your average taxpayer is a beneficiary of the San Antonio Zoo," Bathie said. "It's not, '(What is) the city investing into the San Antonio Zoo, but what is the zoo bringing to the city?'"

Travel

From 1C

Landmark named for Joshua Giddings, a prominent abolitionist and a founder of the Republican Party.

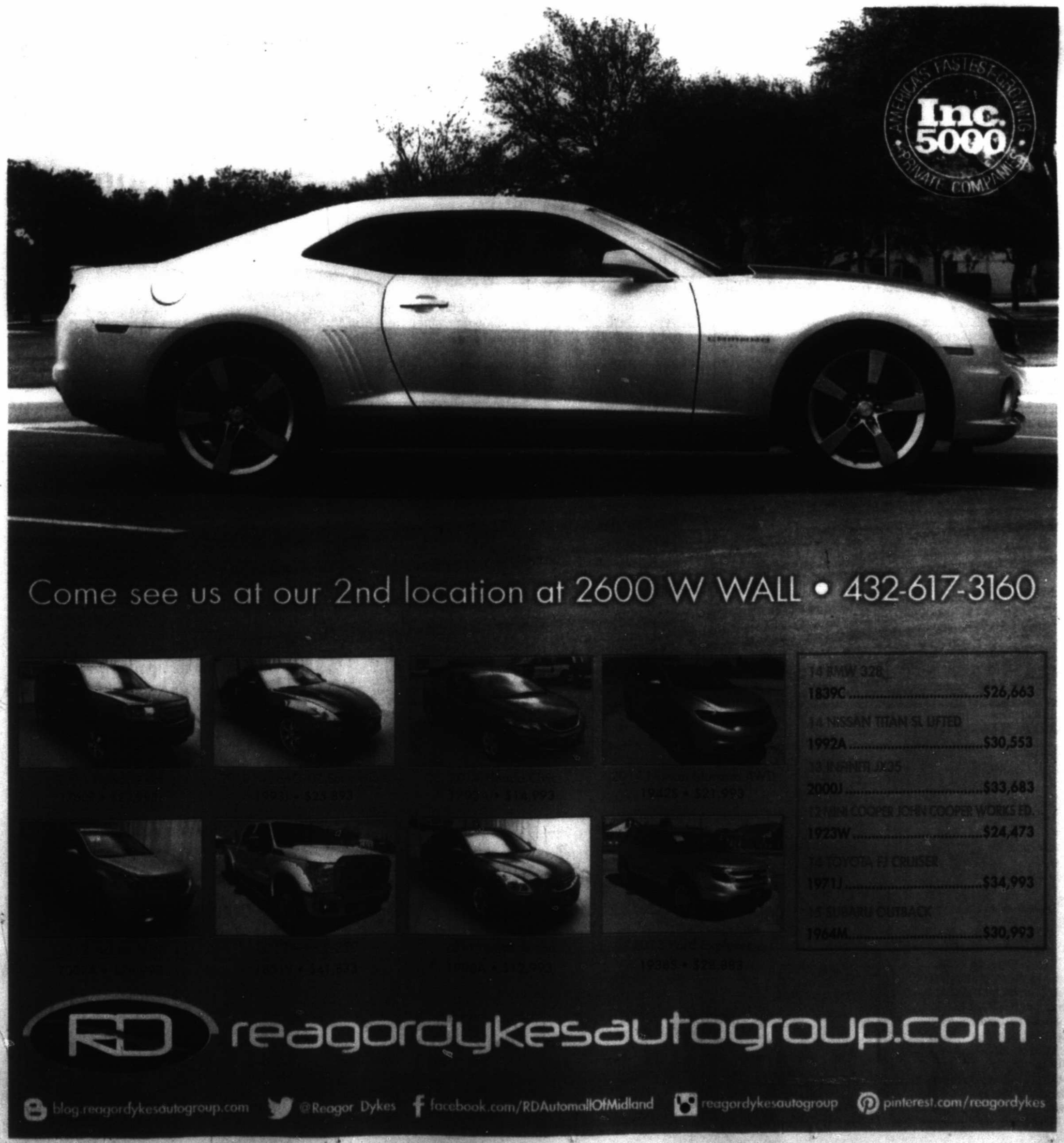
And let's not forget first ladies, since one of them will be starring at the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia. Memorabilia connected to Hillary Clinton and other presidents' wives can be seen at the First Ladies National Historic Site in Canton. An exhibit called "Trials of the Campaign Trail" shows that Clinton is hardly the only first lady to weather hostility. A button on display from the unsuccessful 1964 campaign of Republican Barry Goldwater hits President Lyndon Johnson's wife Ladybird: "Ladybird start packing, the Goldwaters are coming."

Canton is also home to a monument honoring President William McKinley, fronted by 108 stone steps.

But the Cleveland area is not just about monuments and museums. It's also defined by working-class grit, rust-belt history and melting pot culture. It's the kind of place where folks line up in the parking lot of Sokolowski's University Inn on Friday nights for potato dumplings known as pierogis, served from a steam table. Bill Clinton dined on Lake Erie perch at Sokolowski's, while George W. Bush ate at Cleveland's Slyman's deli, famed for corned beef sandwiches.

There are trendy dining spots too: At celeb chef Michael Symon's upscale Lola, feast on scallop ceviche and roasted heirloom vegetables. At Happy Dog, hot dog toppings range from banh mi pickled vegetables and Brazilian chimichurri sauce to out-there choices like SpaghettiOs.

Finally, just outside Cleveland, you can visit Cuyahoga Valley National Park. The short walk from the parking lot to Brandywine Falls in Sagamore Hills is a great place to get away from politics — or anything else.



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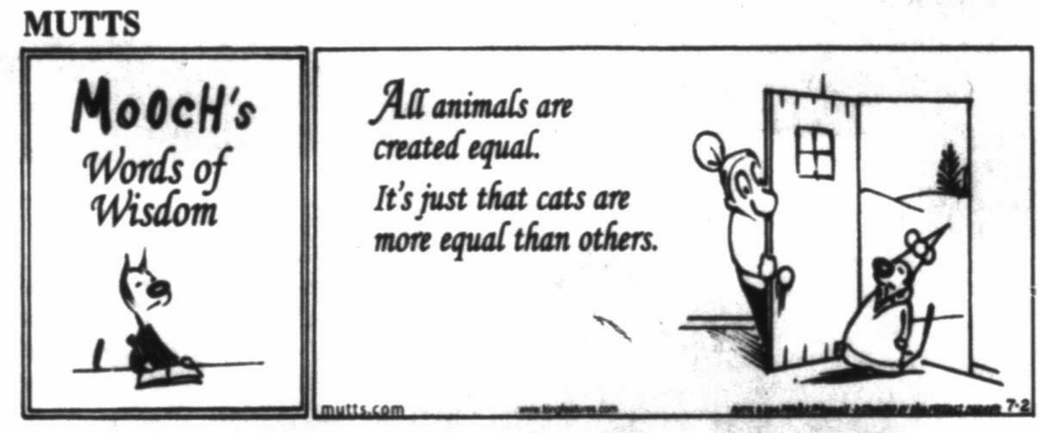


GARFIELD

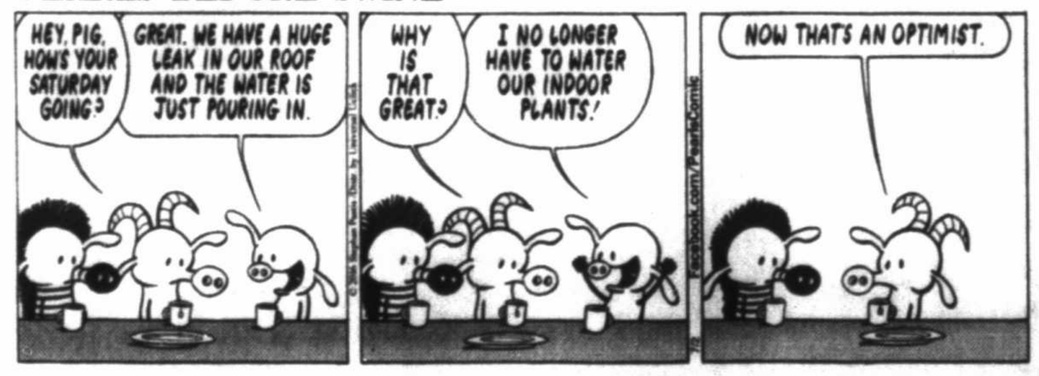
CLOSE TO HOME

Knowing that Marge didn't like kissing a guy with a beard, Rich wisely wore his new synthetic "make-out lips."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I LEARNED IF YOU DROP YOUR PADDLE, DON'T REACH OVER TO GET IT."

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE



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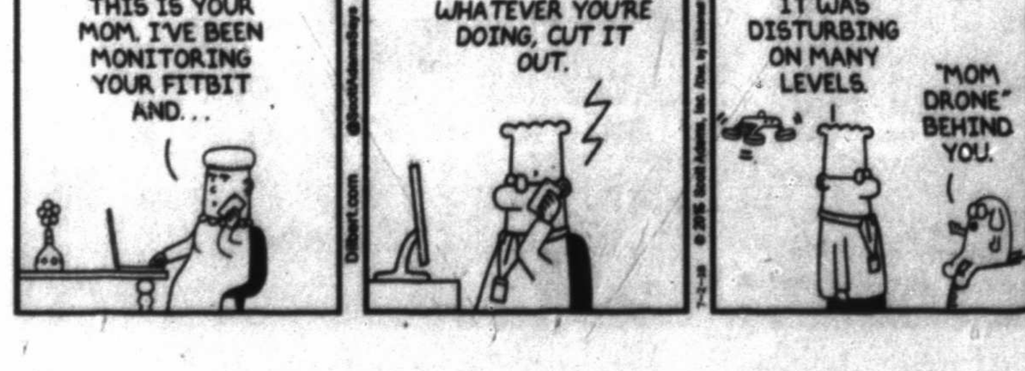
"YOU'RE NOT THE CHEAPEST MAN ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH, LEROY... BUT YOU'VE GOT POTENTIAL."

FAMILY CIRCUS

"It's summertime. How do I set the 'lectric blanket to 'cool'?"

DILBERT



TODAY: Partly sunny High: 97 Low: 76

SUNDAY: Mostly sunny High: 104 Low: 75

4TH OF JULY: Sunny High: 100 Low: 77

TUESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 99 Low: 76

WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 99 Low: 77

THURSDAY: Mostly sunny High: 99 Low: 77

Local forecast

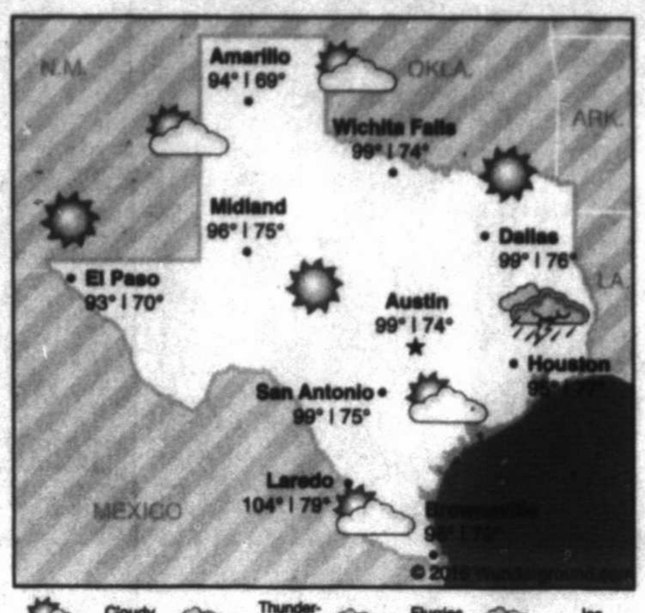
There is a 20 percent of showers and thunderstorms today, according to the National Weather Service. Otherwise, it will be hot and dry with highs of 104 and 100 forecast for Sunday and Independence Day, respectively.

The record high for July 1 is 107 set in 1994. The record low is 60 set in 1967. On July 1 of last year, the high was 90 and the low was 69.

National weather

A line of thunderstorms impacted the Northeast on Friday, while monsoonal thunderstorms persisted across the Four Corners.

An area of low pressure transitioned over the Great Lakes. A cold frontal boundary associated with this system stretched southwestward. A cluster of rain and thunderstorms fired up ahead of this frontal boundary over portions of New England, the Mid-Atlantic and the Midwest. Tornado watches and severe thunderstorm warnings were scattered over western New England and the northern Mid-Atlantic. Crisfield, Md., reported widespread tree damage due to straight line winds. Wakefield, Va., reported a midday total of 1.53 inches of rain.



Precipitation

Thursday	0.00 in.
Friday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	6.90 in.
Normal total ear to date)	6.12 in.

Friday's temperatures

High	96
Low	72
Normal high	95
Normal low	69
Sunrise	6:47 a.m.
Sunset	8:59 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Saturday, July 2

Girl should seek some help to sweeten her tart tongue

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 15. My problem is I often mouth off and insult people. When I'm asked to explain wfly I said what I did, I answer with, "I don't know" or I shrug. It's the truth. It upsets me that I act this way, and I have lost friends because of it.

My parents think counseling and therapy are a coward's way out, and I don't want to go to my school counselors because they'll tell my parents or the state. Is it a blatant choice not to care, something subconscious or a possible disorder? I'm under a lot of stress. I know stressors can cause people to act this way, but I have a feeling it's not caused by stress. What should I do? — NERVOUS AND AFRAID

DEAR NERVOUS AND AFRAID: Everyone snaps sometimes, but because it has ruined relationships, do talk to a school counselor or other adult you trust about what's happening. Your behavior may just be part of being a teenager, but if the stressors in your life might also be a factor, it's important you understand what triggers your behavior so you can modify it.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 14-year-old girl and I have an identical twin. The problem is, she always gets all the attention, especially from boys. I don't'understand why because we look exactly alike, and in my opinion, I have the better personality. When I'm around her, which is practically all the time, I feel invisible — as if people only see HER. How do I get people to stop noticing my sister and get them to see that I deserve some attention? — HERE, TOO, IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR HERE, TOO: You say you and your twin are together practically all the time. THAT might be the problem. If you want to be noticed, start joining activities on your own. That way, you will develop separate interests and, along with them, separate friendships. Although you and your twin are identical, you do not have to be joined at the hip. Remember that.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 27, and my grandparents have played very important roles in my life. I know they won't be here forever, and I cry myself to sleep thinking about this.

Besides spending more time with them, what else do you suggest I do to prepare myself for their passing? — LOVING GRANDDAUGHTER

DEAR LOVING GRANDDAUGHTER: Accept that death is a part of life and make sure that yours is a full and happy one. And make an effort to stay in the moment. The more time you spend obsessing about what will eventually happen, the less you will have to enjoy the blessings you have today.

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 Saturday, July 2, 2016:

This year you often hide your emotions and choose not to reveal more of yourself. You also might be in the process of redefining your priorities. You will make excellent choices once you figure out what you want. If you are single, you could actively seek out potential suitors, but know that this process might not make you want to become closer to anyone. If you are attached, one-on-one relating brings you and your sweetie much closer together. You are best friends as well as loved ones. Schedule several dates to get away for the day. GEMINI makes an excellent healer for you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You are capable of verbalizing what you have in mind. Your sixth sense questions how legitimate others' interest might be. You could be insecure, but perhaps you are just picking up on someone's lack of authenticity. Keep your eyes open. Tonight: Visit with a neighbor.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You might be concerned about a female friend and her role in your life. Perhaps you would prefer to establish some distance from this person. You don't want to upset the applecart. You know what you desire. Tonight: Be aware of someone else's efforts.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ You'll go with the flow despite an early morning difficulty. You could be overwhelmed by what your choices are. Reconsider an option, and get feedback from a male family member. You could be surprised by what you hear. Open up to a talk. Tonight: Curb a possessive streak.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Take your time when making an important decision. You'll see someone in a new light because of recent happenings, which could surprise you. This person can handle a lot more than you thought. Don't ask too many questions. Tonight: Break what you see as a negative pattern.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You could see life from a unique perspective if you are willing to open up to the possibilities around you. You will be inclined to believe that nothing is written in stone. You see so many options that you might be overwhelmed. Tonight: Test out one of these opportunities.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You might feel pressured by various situations. What would suit you best would be to have a "do nothing" type of lazy day. You could feel as if you are likely to disappoint someone else's expectations if you do what you want. Tonight: Know when to call it a night.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You might want to rethink your plans at the last minute. You could be unusually tired and withdrawn. Even when you attempt to detach from immediate emotional pressure, you don't bounce back as quickly as you would like to. Tonight: Someone's news shocks you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Close relating will take you down a somewhat novel path. You could find the other party involved to be somewhat flaky. You might decide not to let this person get so close. On the other hand, you might not be able to help yourself! Tonight: Have a long-overdue conversation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You seem to be at a point where you might not be happy with your choices. Several people could be highly challenging and difficult, yet they will want to spend time with you. The feeling won't be mutual, but you might be hesitant to say so. Tonight: Tell it like it is.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Recognize that you don't see eye to eye with a partner. As a result, you might want to toss yourself into some other activity. Don't hesitate to ask for more of what you like. Someone handles your request with understanding. Tonight: Know when to say "enough."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by everything you need to accomplish. You might not be in the position to take a break, but you also can't say "no" to a great idea. Give yourself the space to create more of what you want. Now is not the time to hold back! Tonight: In the holiday spirit.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You'll want to get more feedback from a friend or a loved one. Encourage one-on-one talks, but be ready to hear the unexpected. Tension might be high, so stay close to home. You could feel as if someone is taking advantage of your good nature. Tonight: Order in.

BORN TODAY

Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall (1908), poet Hermann Hesse (1877), film producer Robert Samoff (1918)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A Q 8 4 ♡ 10 9 5 ◇ A K 10 8 6 ♣ 8

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1◇	Pass	1♡	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass

What call would you make?

Q 2 — Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ 7 6 5 3 ♡ K Q ◇ Q J 2 ♣ K 7 4 2

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
1♡	Pass	2♡	Pass
Pass	?		

What call would you make?

Q 3 — North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A K J ♡ A Q 10 3 ◇ Q 5 3 ♣ K 10 6

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1◇	Pass	1♡	?

What call would you make?

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

♠ A 8 7 6 4 3 ♡ A 10 8 6 5 2 ◇ J ♣ Void

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

What call would you make?

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Prepares to strike, in a way
6 Where many leading males may be seen?
15 Nocturnal problem, usually
16 Source of some sauce
17 Lets
18 Help
19 Chic modifier
20 Advertisers say it sells
21 Mother of Huey, Dewey and Louie
22 Service providers
24 Hall of Fame NHL coach Roger
26 Small power source
27 Paragon
28 Took a shot at
29 Sticks
33 Google goal
34 "Semper Fidelis" composer
35 "I like that!"
36 Encouragement before a shot
39 Millions can play it at once
41 Frequent Greenstreet co-star
42 Olympics competitor since 1896
43 To the extent that
46 Quaint inn room upright
47 Adjust one's sights
48 Get even with
49 Pic Sans Nom, par exemple
50 Pet identification aid
53 Come up with __
54 Russian Orthodox church feature
55 "Christie Johnstone" novelist
56 Got back to one's office?
57 Threw wide, say

DOWN

1 Courses around courses
2 Bellini's "Casta diva," for one
3 Metropolitan area
4 Muser's words
5 Nordic carrier
6 Agricultural units
7 Culmination
8 MD's employee
9 George Washington received an honorary one from Harvard U.
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11 Play that inspired an opera
12 Grueling grillings
13 __ Park, Calif.
14 Impala, e.g.
20 Subj. of some "Bossypants" chapters
23 Like some timers?
24 Ominous oater symbol
25 "Hairspray" mom
27 Logitech product
29 Transvaal settlers
30 It may have a bell on it
31 Bag lady?
32 Cut
34 Shot contents
37 Maker of AgeDefy products
38 Insulin, for one
39 Preceded
40 Theoretically
42 Lawyer's charge
43 Defensive covering
44 It flows through Troyes and Melun
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46 Ostrich, for example
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52 In
53 Equals

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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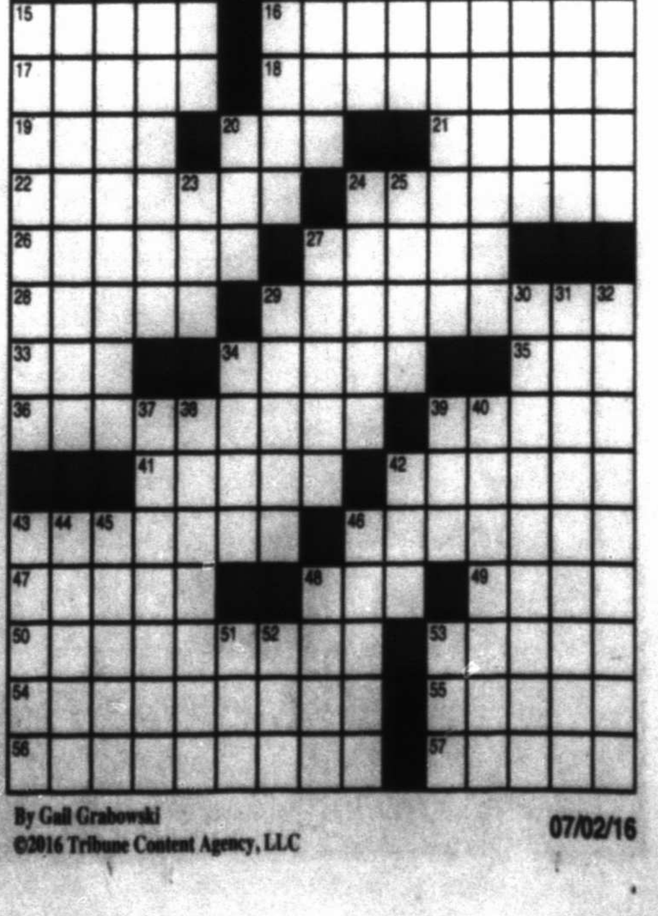

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I WAS EMBARRASSED.
ME, A CAT, LIVING WITH
A SINGLE GUY. BUT WHEN
I WATCH HIM PICK SOMETHING
UP WITH HIS HANDS AND EAT IT,
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–MARU
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Legal & Public Notices

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

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4311 HARLOWE Friday, & Saturday 7am-? Something for everyone.

Yard & Garage Sales

79701

1116 S. Fairgrounds. Fri., Sat. & Sun. 7am-7pm, until gone! **HUGE ESTATE SALE** 50 years accumulation! Jewelry, antiques, collectibles, clothes, shoes, household & kitchen items.

1309 E PARKER, SATURDAY only 9am - 1 pm. Furniture, table top keyboard, guitar, DVDs, CDs, books, shoes, clothes, lots of misc. EVERYHTING MUST GO!

4TH OF JULY Blow-Out Garage Sale!! Tons of treasures!!!! 2600 Sentinel-- Saturday 8am-12pm

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79703

4407 WILSHIRE Saturday & Sunday 8am-5pm. Trampoline, fish tank with accessories, large dog kennel, dog igloo house, computer monitors, black futon, clothes & los of miscellaneous.

4618 W. Cherokee Drive Saturday 7:30am - 12pm. Clothes, BBQ pit, washer & dryer, microwave, shoes, bicycle, toys & lots of miscellaneous.

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79705

1703 WARD Street Saturday 8am-12pm Moving Sale. Everything must go. Furniture, appliances, books, clothing, home decoration, yard pottery, & lots of miscellaneous.

1939 ENGLISH Drive Friday & Saturday 8am-3pm. Couch, dryer, clothes, pictures & lots of miscellaneous.

2815 METZ Dr. Saturday, July 2nd 8am-12pm. Lots of home decor, furniture, clothes and more!

Yard & Garage Sales

79701

1404 MURRAY. Fri. 10am - 1pm; Sat 8am - ? Huge fund raiser. Lots of everything. Clothes from baby to adults (boys, girls, men, women). Furniture, home goods, camping stuff. 2 free bicycles (need a lot of tlc). Come and see!

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

5 STUTZ Court Saturday 8am-? Sofa, chair, crib to college, 2 twin bed frames, household items, clothes & more.

79706

3412 S CR 1185 Friday & Saturday 7:30am - 3pm. Lots of men's, women's & kid's clothes. Tennis shoes. Name brand stuff, like Coach purses. Some furniture.

3 STORAGE UNITS! 3300 South County Rd. 1210. Thur.-Sat. 8:30am-Dark. Furniture, tools, fishing, tables, chairs, pocket knives, tires. Too many items to list! Some items free!

6317 SCR 1185 (South on Rankin, left at Cottonflat Church, then left on 1185) Monday 8am-1pm Lots of stuff, clothes, toys, shoes, purses, & home decor.

79707

3405 BOYD Ave. Saturday 8:30am-1pm. Clothing, surround sound, headache rack & lots of miscellaneous.

6320 PRAIRIE Ridge Drive Saturday 8am-12pm. Furniture decor, baby gear, clothes & much more.

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Yard & Garage Sales

79707

3601 MEADOWRIDGE Lane Saturday 8am-? Multi family! Patio furniture, designer clothes, shoes, teenage boy clothes & too much to list lots of good stuff.

4101 DAWN Circle Thursday Friday & Saturday 8am-noon. Perfume, cologne, entertainment center, storage cabinet, sleeper sofa, Oak dining table, corner desk, futon frame, queen headboard & footboard, womens bike, large ABC rug, children's games, puzzles & books, school supplies, tons of miscellaneous. Everything must go, we need help with medical expenses.

4810 YEARWOOD Drive Saturday 8am-? Moving sale! Home decor, furniture, name brand women's & children clothing, seasonal game room decor, baby bed, day bed & much more.

SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

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

SOLUTION TO FRIDAY'S PUZZLE

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Monday, July 4 2016

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Publishing On:	Deadline is:
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Customer Service calls will be taken July 4th from 7 AM to 11 AM only.

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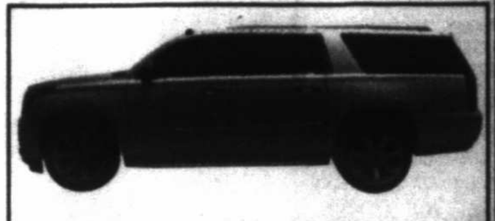

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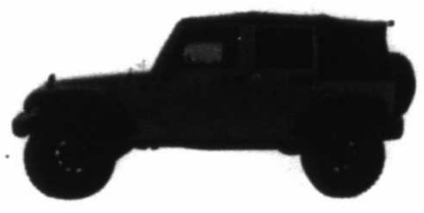

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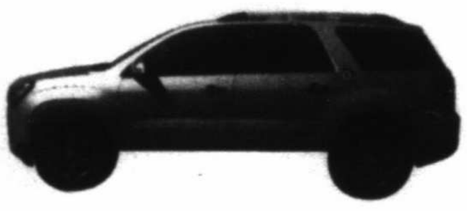

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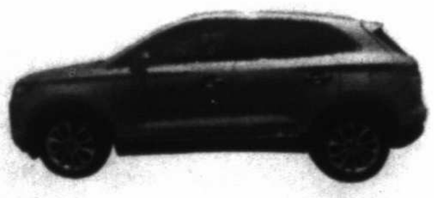

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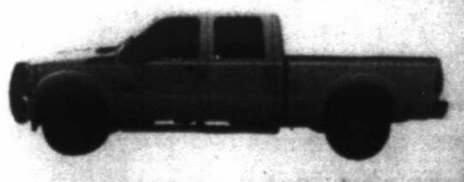

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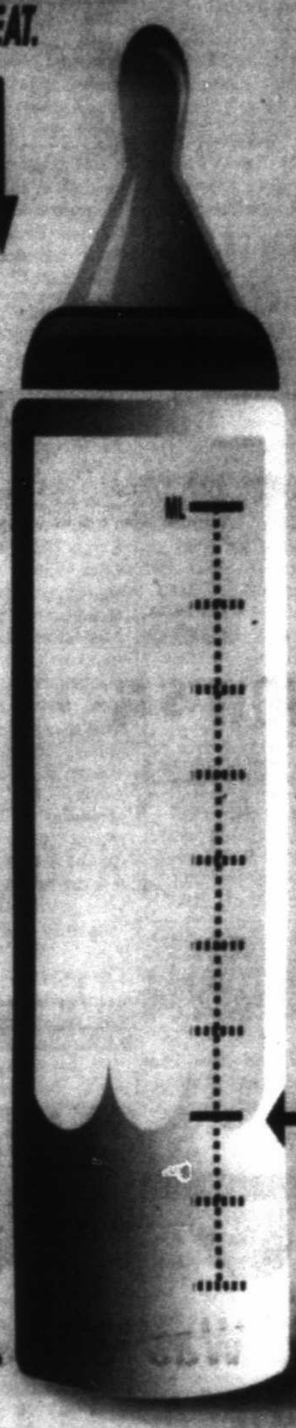

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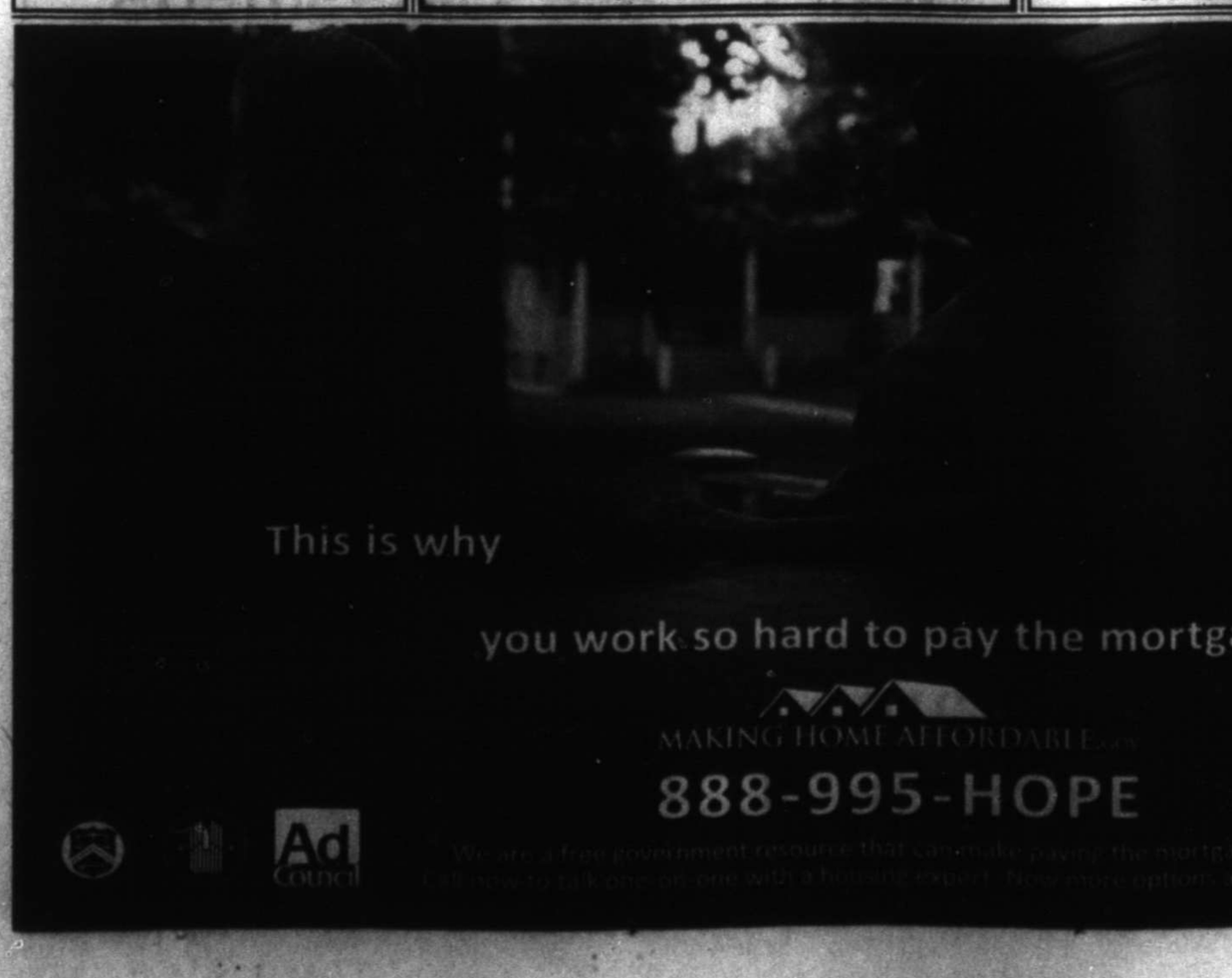

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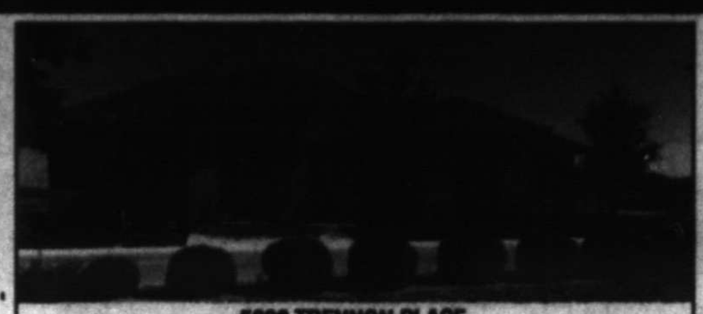

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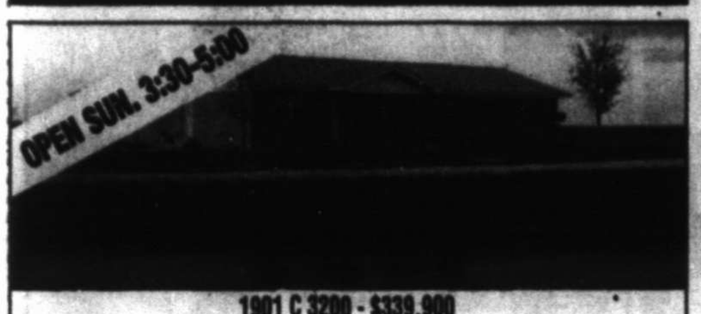

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New residence by Crystal Homes with 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, and a 3 car garage. Gourmet kitchen has custom cabinets, granite counter tops, center island, skylight and stainless appliances. Front plantation shutter, jetted tub, walk around shower in sequestered master; raised ceilings and a rear covered patio with outdoor fireplace. From Bitterwood, North on Holiday Hill, East on Brown Heart, on corner of Deer Run. Approx. 2,757 sq. ft. Call Brandon McMorries @664-8284 for more info. www.brandonmcmorries.com

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4105 GODFREY ST. - $205,000
This great home with 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, and a 2 car garage offers new carpet, fresh paint and new window blinds throughout. The fourth bedroom and bathroom is ADA ready and sequestered. Other amenities include raised ceilings, updated HVAC, pretty paneling, skylight, circle drive, wood fence, storage building, big covered patio, mature trees, and automatic sprinkler system. Approx. 2,409 sq. ft. Call Brandon McMorries @664-8284 for more info. www.brandonmcmorries.com

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45 ROYAL MANOR DRIVE - ODESSA
Spectacular newly constructed estate home furnished model in The Estates of Shiloh with 5 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths, 4 living - including media room & gameroom, 2 dining, 4 car garage, circle drive, gourmet kitchen. Trade-in your home for this newly constructed home (Directions: Hwy. 191, take Faudree Rd. exit, turn North on Faudree Rd., right into The Estates of Shiloh, left on Lamplight Ln., Right on Royal Manor Dr.). Contact Cindy Brown a Texas Real Estate Broker with Realty Unlimited. Phone or Text: 432.352.3566.

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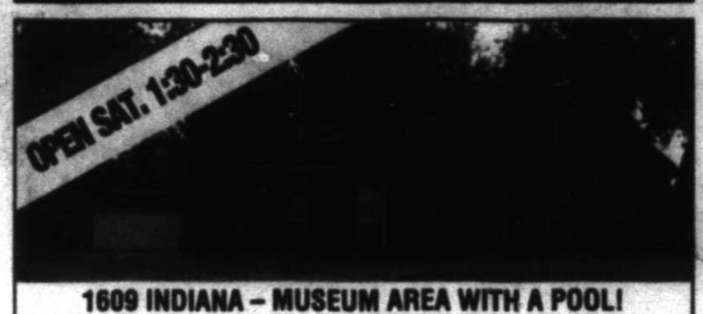

1609 INDIANA – MUSEUM AREA WITH A POOL!
Wonderful custom home with a gorgeous pool in Midland's Historic area. This 1982 4-bedroom custom home was well built with many desirable features including a large living area overlooking the pool and patio, downstairs master with a fireplace & incredible master bath, vanity & closet areas that you have to see to believe. Kitchen with high-end finishes. Additional garage in back given 4-car capacity. $495,000. Call Jane McCrary @ 432-553-0523 for more information.

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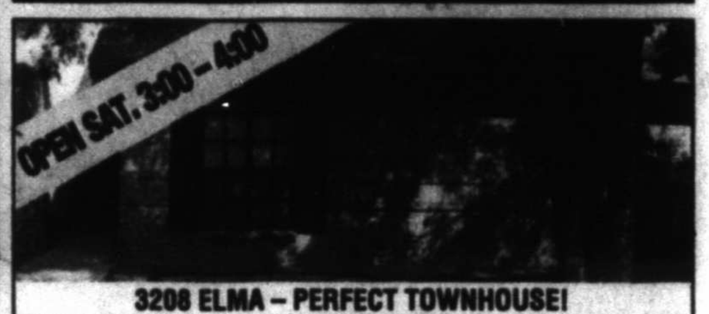

3208 ELMA – PERFECT TOWNHOUSE!
Great 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath townhome in Wydewood Estates with a large downstairs master with vaulted ceilings, dual vanities & dual closets. Newly remodeled kitchen with lovely granite countertops, tile backsplash, pantry, plus new stainless double oven range & microwave. Kitchen is open to the living area, formal dining area plus a separate breakfast area. Low maintenance & a convenient location. $179,900 Call Jane McCrary @ 432-553-0523 for more information.

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5004 TEAKWOOD TRACE - $429,900 REDUCED
THE MR. MIDLAND TEAM
Don't miss this amazing 4 bedroom, 3 bath home in Green Tree on the course with beautiful views! For more information call Cameron Willmann 432-520-6161.

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HUGE SADDLE CLUB SOUTH.....5000 HEATHER $435,000
Stunning 2-story contemporary w/ fabulous renovations! Super, open floorplan with 3 living areas, 4 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths, 2 dining on oversized lot in best area of Saddle Club South! Nearly 4,000 square feet! Quiet, tree-lined street. New gourmet kitchen with custom cabinets, wine fridge & gas Jenn-Air cooktop. New bathrooms, quartz & travertine! Lush, so very private backyard with hot tub, vines, dog run & tree house. Association w/ pool & tennis. Call Margaret Miller @(432) 689-2504.

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SATURDAY FEATURE HOME

4002 LEHIGH DRIVE
Beautiful home with tons of updates since sellers purchase. Updates are as follows: wonderfully updated including completely redone master bath, 2nd bath w/ new counter tops, sink, faucet, paint and toilet, kitchen w/new counter tops, back splash and paint, half bath completely remodeled, hardwood floors(4 yrs. ago), all new fans & light fixtures, outside painted, fireplace painted, front flower beds add. You will just love this floor plan. Mr. & Mrs. Clean live here! Don't miss this one 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 1 half bath, Sequestered Master with dual sinks, Open and spacious living area with fireplace, Oversized breakfast room/Dining Room, Entry area has a sitting area, Covered Patio, Automatic Sprinkler System, Alarm System Leased, 2-car garage, Storage building, Close to Loop 250, restaurants, shopping, Square Footage: 2,327 per Appr. Year Built: 1982 Lot size: 0.222
MLS# 50002570 $290,000

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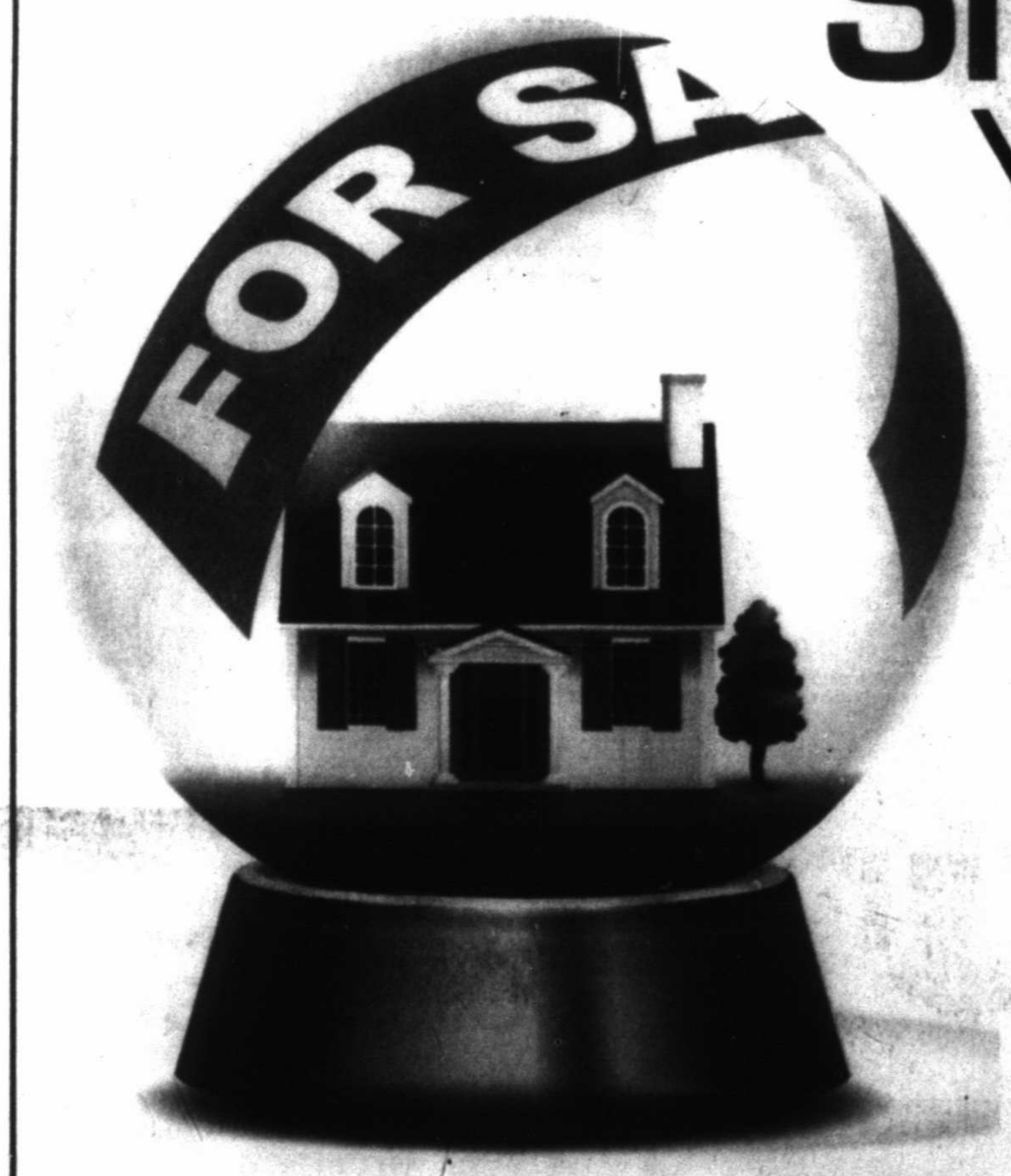

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