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LEACH'S LEGACY

Mike Leach's Air Raid offense has helped mold a group of young coaches who would use the system to frustrate Big 12 defenses.

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Summer break is over for Midland ISD

■ Will enrollment top 25,000 students in 2017-18?

By Stewart Doreen
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Today is the first day Midland ISD's 2017-18 school year.

A new superintendent is in charge, and there is optimism about academic performance not seen in more than a decade. Midland ISD will go into the school year with four failing campuses, nearly one-third of the "improvement required" campuses from just two years ago.

■ COMMENTARY

But there will be other things to watch as the summer break comes to an end for Midland's public school district.

HOW MANY STUDENTS WILL THERE BE?

We have heard often that Midland ISD's student population increased even as the price of oil fell. At the end of August last year, the district reported 24,626 students (about 213 more than the same day during the year). Our question going into opening day is, "with oil on the rise and as it feels like there are more people in Midland, how high will enrollment get?"

Could Midland ISD's student population top 25,000? It might not be there yet, but according to the Texas Education Agency, Midland ISD is growing. Going back to 2007 — when the student population was reported at 20,827 — the district's enrollment has grown every year to 24,518 in 2016.

The day in pictures

First-day-of-school photos will be published in Tuesday's edition. Email photos to news@mrt.com. Include student's name and school.

WILL THERE BE A 2017 VERSION OF FASKEN?

Last year, enrollment at Fasken Elementary (894) obliterated projections (740), forcing the district to bring in portables for a school still in its infancy. The district ultimately decided to move the so-called "349 students" to a campus across town: Gen. Tommy Franks Elementary, which was dedicated Thursday.

We know there has been growth in Midland this year. Housing construction is on the rise and apartment complex occupancy

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A NEW FLOOR PLAN

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Paul Evans Carpet and Flooring is shown on Friday in the new Texas Pride Plaza at the corner of Wadley Avenue and Midland Drive.

Paul Evans goes big with Midland store

■ Longtime Odessa carpet and flooring business expands east

By Trevor Hawes
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The construction of a new plaza has been going on behind McAllister's Deli on Wadley Avenue over the past few months, but a familiar symbol marks the presence of its anchor tenant.

Atop a 100-foot pole flies a 30-foot-by-60-foot Texas flag at Texas Pride Plaza, owned by Jeff Russell, who also owns Paul Evans Carpet & Flooring, a longtime fixture among retail flooring businesses in Odessa.

Russell bought the business from Paul Evans upon Evans' retirement about three years ago and erected a large flag pole to fly a giant state flag as a way to

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Researchers studying geology from the sky

■ USGS, Oklahoma GS to map state's faults that are likely to cause earthquakes

By Adam Wilmoth
The Oklahoman

OKLAHOMA CITY — Researchers are turning to the sky to help stop earthquakes from rumbling deep beneath the Oklahoma soil.

The U.S. Geological Survey in coordination with the Oklahoma Geological Survey and other groups last week began using a modified small airplane to study the state's geology in an attempt to map deep, existing faults.

The aircraft over the next two months will fly over portions of the state at an altitude of about 400 feet, using sensitive equipment to measure the naturally occurring magnetic fields created when different rock types are next to each other.

"The goal of this project is to better map

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Democrat says she can speak for 11th Congressional District

Editor's note: The Reporter-Telegram was there as Jennie Lou Leeder introduced herself to Midlanders at an event Sunday afternoon. Today's story is about Leeder and her comments at the event. Tuesday's edition will include a story about Leeder's thoughts (and those from the industry) on hydraulic fracturing and whether it needs to be curtailed.

By Stewart Doreen
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Jennie Lou Leeder doesn't think Mike Conaway speaks for Texans in the 11th Congressional District.

The Democrat from Llano made her first public appearance in Midland since announcing her campaign to unseat the Midland Republican in 2018. She started her Sunday at the Midland County Fair and then talked issues with constituents during a get-together at the DoubleTree by Hilton Midland Plaza.

The seventh-generation Texan specifically identified five areas of interest — health care, education, infrastructure, energy and national security.

Leeder said she is worried that Texans would lose Medicare under a "Trump-Ryan" replacement to the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare). She also favors a single-payer system and said that "no one should be without health care."

Turning to education, Leeder identified student loan debt as a problem — especially when a student loan payment is greater than a car payment — and said that higher education should be affordable. The former teacher also believes that educational mandates from Washington should be funded and not passed down to the state and local school districts.

Leeder points to the nation's crumbling roadways and bridges as infrastructure problems and believes that for energy, wind and solar should be expanded.

As far as national security, the candidate

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The big number
25 inches of rain that's about how much South Houston has recorded since Thursday. Page 5A

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

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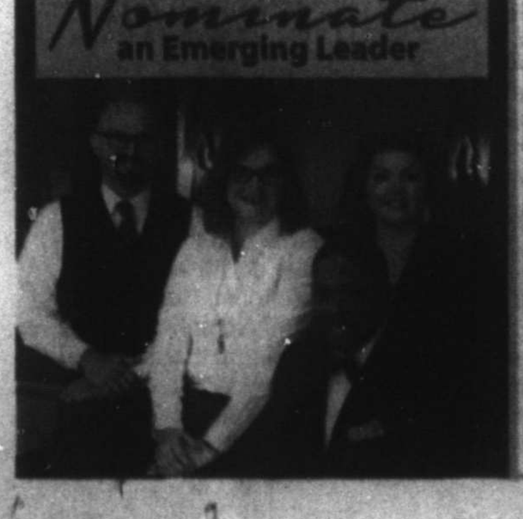


Midland Magazine's 20 UNDER 40 2017 Presented by My Community Credit Union

Midland Magazine's 20 Under 40, presented by My Community Federal Credit Union, is an annual recognition program for Midland's emerging leaders. The program showcases young, dynamic leaders living or working in Midland County who are under the age of 40. The program recognizes individuals who have distinguished themselves in their careers and/or in the community.

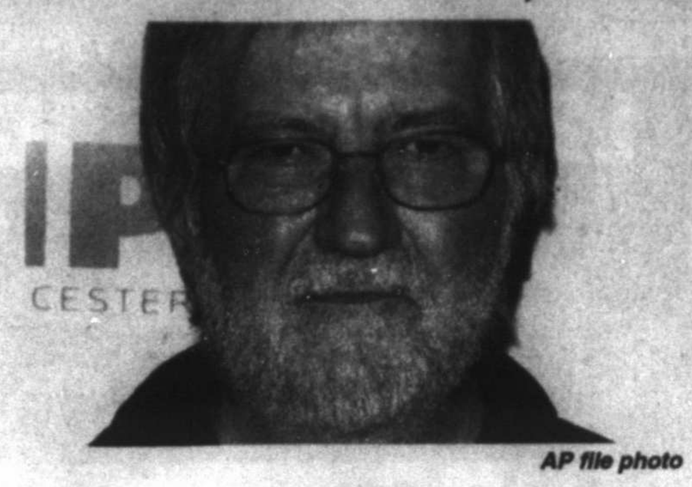
To nominate a deserving Midlander, visit www.mrt.com/20under40

The 20 individuals selected for the 20 Under 40 honor will be featured in Midland Magazine's Nov. 19, 2017 edition.

*20 Under 40 nominees must be 39 years or under as of Dec. 31, 2017 and may not be nominated by a family member.

Tobe Hooper, 'Texas Chain Saw Massacre' director, dies at 74

By Robert Jablon and Jake Coyle
Associated Press



AP file photo

Filmmaker Tobe Hooper on Aug. 27, 2010, in London. Hooper, the horror-movie pioneer whose low-budget sensation "The Texas Chain Saw Massacre" took a buzz saw to audiences with its brutally frightful vision, died aged 74 on Saturday according to Los Angeles County coroner's office.

LOS ANGELES — Tobe Hooper, the horror-movie pioneer whose low-budget sensation "The Texas Chain Saw Massacre" took a buzz saw to audiences with its brutally frightful vision, has died. He was 74.

The Los Angeles County coroner's office on Sunday said Hooper died Saturday in the Sherman Oaks area of Los Angeles. It was reported as a natural death.

Along with contemporaries like George Romero and John Carpenter, Hooper crafted some of the scariest nightmares that ever haunted moviegoers. Hooper directed 1982's "Poltergeist" from a script by Steven Spielberg, and helmed the well-regarded 1979 miniseries "Salem's Lot," from Stephen King's novel.

Hooper was a little-known filmmaker of documentaries and TV commercials when he made his most famous work: 1974's "The Texas Chain Saw Massacre." He made it for less than $300,000 in his native Texas, and yet it became one the most influential films in horror: a slasher film landmark.

Marketed as based on a true story, "Texas Chain Saw Massacre" is about a group of friends who encounter a family of cannibals in Central Texas. The central villain, Leatherface (played by Gunnar Hansen) was loosely based on serial killer Ed Gein, but the tale was otherwise fiction. Hooper, whose inspiration struck while looking at chain saws in a department store, considered the film a political one — a kind of shock to '70s malaise. The film's cannibals are out of work, their slaughterhouse jobs having been replaced by technology.

"I had never seen anything like it and I wanted to see it myself," said Hooper in 2014. "That was a driving force and my ability to pull the energy up out of myself to work that damn hard as I wanted to see it. the movie, I mean, as a finished picture. The energies are making a decision at a point."

The film was controversial. Several countries banned it, though the independent film — aided by its gory reputation and lightning fast word-of-mouth — grossed $30.8 million, playing for eight years in drive-ins and theaters. Still, "The Texas Chain Saw Massacre" wasn't as explicitly grisly as it was reputed to be; much of its humor-sprinkled horror was summoned by the filmmaking and the buzz of one terrifying power tool.

Carpenter, the "Halloween" director, on Sunday called it "a seminal work in horror cinema." William Friedkin, director of "The Exorcist," recalled Hooper as "a kind, warm-hearted man who made the most terrifying film ever."

"The Texas Chain Saw Massacre" wasn't received too kindly by critics. Harper's, for one, called it "a vile little piece of sick crap." Roger Ebert said it was "without any apparent purpose, unless the creation of disgust and fright is a purpose." But its renown steadily grew, and many appreciated its harrowing craft, comparing it to Alfred Hitchcock's "Pysco" (which also took inspiration from Ed Gein). "The Texas Chain Saw Massacre" was selected to the Director's Fortnight of the 1975 Cannes Film Festival. Later, it would become part of the permanent collection at New York's Museum of Modern Art.

"Poltergeist" was Hooper's other horror classic, though it sprung from the mind of Steven Spielberg, who also produced it. Made with a much larger budget of $10 million, "Poltergeist" is about young parents (Craig T. Nelson, JoBeth Williams) whose suburban dream house is haunted by the graveyard it was built on.

Hooper also directed a more comic sequel to "The Texas Chain Saw Massacre" in 1986. A poorly received but profitable remake followed in 2003. Numerous spinoffs have also been produced, most recently a prequel titled "Leatherface" to be released in September.

Hooper's last film as director was 2013's "Djinn," a supernatural thriller set in the United Arab Emirates.

Oklahoma oil drillers seek efficiency amid stable prices

By Sarah Terry-Cobo
The Journal Record

OKLAHOMA CITY — Efficiency is the name of the game for Oklahoma drillers and out-of-state companies drilling wells in Oklahoma.

Lessons learned during the two-and-a-half-year downturn have helped boost some oil and gas businesses. The rate of drilling has increased since December in several plays, with Oklahoma accounting for the second-highest rise, said energy economist James Williams.

But the rise likely will be tempered by oil prices, said Williams, founder of WTRG Economics, an analysis firm based in London, Arkansas. Oklahoma Oil and Gas Association Executive Vice President Arnella Karges said some of her trade group members adopted the mantra "lower for longer."

They're making plans for next year's drilling budgets and expect commodity prices to be lower for longer time periods, she said.

West Texas Intermediate fluctuated between $45.77 and $50.17 per barrel in the last month and hasn't risen to $55 per barrel in the last year. Karges said some expect crude prices to slump below $40 per barrel.

"With extra product on the market keeping prices depressed and OPEC uncertainty contributes to that," Karges said, referring to the 14-member oil cartel. "Some are not planning on $50 or even $60 oil."

However, companies drilling some wells with horizontal wellbores longer than 1 mile in Oklahoma's STACK basin have hit break-even prices with oil at $41 per barrel. Those with lateral wellbores less than a mile can break even at about $55 per barrel.

"Longer laterals can access more resources with less capital-intensive costs," Karges said.

Drillers can also save money by putting more than one well on a single well pad.

Williams said all oil and gas producers learned how to cut costs, with some becoming more efficient than others. The rig count for Oklahoma's Cana Woodford Shale, which includes parts of the STACK, has risen 75 percent since December. The rig count is up 86 percent in South Texas' Eagle Ford Shale, 64 percent in North Dakota's Bakken Shale, and 18 percent in Colorado's Niobrara Shale since the end of last year.

Natural gas pipeline constraints in the Permian Basin slow down growth in West Texas, Williams said.

He said he doesn't expect increased spending from drillers in the next year and some will pull back. That's in part because commodity strip prices have remained relatively flat.

Devon Energy Corp. trimmed $100 million from its expected budget for 2017, due in part to supply chain savings. The company's CEO announced in the first quarter it contracted directly with a mine for sand used in hydraulic fracturing jobs after wells are drilled. That has saved 15 percent on fracturing jobs so far.

Workers are also pursuing designs in which multiple horizontal wellbores are drilled into different rock layers, emanating from a single vertical wellbore. That will help reduce the time it takes to drill a well, saving money.

Chesapeake Energy Corp. plans to reduce the number of rigs it has drilling in northern Oklahoma, in part because workers haven't yet seen the production results they expected. However, they'll add one rig in Colorado, where some wells are outperforming initial expectations.

CEO Doug Lawler told analysts in early August that the company will shift rigs from one play to another based on where they get the best returns and where the market conditions are the best.

Karges said as her members get ready to make their 2018 budgets, they're continuing to closely listen to the discussion around gross production taxes. A special legislative session looms, as a lawsuit overturned a cigarette fee estimated to bring $200 million, leaving another revenue shortfall in the state budget. Drillers closely examine where they spend money based on which plays have the best returns. Commodity prices, contractor prices and state and local taxes all affect rates of return.

Obituaries

Jack Ross

Jack Ross, 76 of Midland, passed away on Friday, August 25, 2017. The family will be accepting guests from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, August 28, 2017, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at Greenwood Baptist Church on Tuesday, August 29, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. with Pastor Michael Griffin officiating. Graveside services will follow at Greenwood Cemetery.

Jack was born on January 23, 1941 in Connersville, Indiana to Jack and Gladys Ross. Throughout his childhood and into his young adult life, Jack participated in all types of sports. From little league to church league softball, much of his life was spent in the sports arena. While in high school he played football, basketball, and track; excelling in each of these. He graduated from Connersville High School in Connersville, Indiana in 1960. Following graduation, he enlisted in the United States Navy, serving from 1960 - 1964. His most memorable times were spent in Scotland and participating in the base sports teams. Upon his discharge, Jack returned home to Connersville where he met and married Robin Lucille Smith on August 28, 1965. Jack and Robin welcomed daughter Kim in the spring of 1971 and daughter Tricia in 1976.

In 1981, he decided to move the family to west Texas, and made Greenwood their home for the past 36 years. During that time he worked as an independent contractor, and for the City of Midland, finally retiring from Pioneer Natural Resources in 2014.

Jack's hobbies included fishing and all things sports. He passed on his love of sports to his girls. Whether on the makeshift diamond in the backyard or the basketball court in the driveway, he was always the best practice partner; teaching them that you can never throw a ball hard enough (so better have your glove ready) or shoot the basketball well enough to beat him at a game of horse. Jack and Robin supported their girls in all their activities throughout their childhood, high school, and college years. His love of sports was not only shared with his girls, but also with the community of Greenwood. One of Jack's proudest times was spent as the "Voice of the Rangers", announcing every home football game from 1986 to 2005. His support also included following the basketball, football, and baseball teams all over west Texas with some of his best friends by his side. He was never too old, never too sick and the weather was never too bad to watch the Rangers and Rangerettes play.

Jack's sense of humor and personality were infectious. People were drawn to him, he never met a stranger. His love of family was evident in time spent following and visiting with his children and grandchildren. Pops was never too busy. He always had a story to tell and one of his favorite times to tell them was while sitting on his front porch.

Jack had a strong, but quiet faith. He gave his life to the Lord at the age of 35, being baptized alongside his oldest daughter, Kim. His faith was evident in his servant's heart, giving freely even when he didn't have a lot to give. Jack leaves behind a legacy of hard work, compassion, and love of family and community. He will be greatly missed but never forgotten.

Jack is survived by brother, Richard L. Ross and wife Linda of Cambridge City, Indiana; daughter, Kim Murphey and husband Terry of Midland, Texas; daughter, Tricia Redwine and husband Jeff also of Midland, Texas; grandson, Terry Lee Murphey and wife Hayden of McCamey, Texas; grandson, Timothy Murphey of San Antonio, Texas; grandson, Zach Redwine of San Marcos, Texas; and granddaughter, Kaitlin Murphey of Midland, Texas; great-grandchildren, Kannon Tate and Blakeley Kait Murphey of McCamey, Texas; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Jack is preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Gladys Ross, and his beloved wife of 52 years, Robin L. Ross.

The family would like to express their gratitude to Dr. Ashutosh Rastogie and the staff of Texas Oncology at Allison Cancer Center, Midland Memorial Hospital Oncology and ACE units, Hospice of Midland, Fellowship Baptist Church, Greenwood Independent School District and Football Booster Club. A special thank you to Don Swafford, Bob Mayo, Wayne Barber and Tony Ham. You have been his companions, his travel partners, and his friends. You were a constant presence in a time of uncertainty. He loved you all and always looked forward to your times together.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Fellowship Baptist Church or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Midland. Online condolences may be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

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& Crematory
(432) 550-5800

GEOLOGY

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the faults that are deep within the ground, and particularity to map the faults that are likely to create an earthquake," USGS research geophysicist Anji Shah said Aug. 15.

"We have found many of the earthquakes have occurred in sequences that form lines, which suggests there are faults associated with those earthquakes. But when we compare it to our existing fault maps, they don't seem to line up. This makes it difficult to tell what the earthquake risk is and suggest there are faults we are not aware of."

Researchers over the past two years have used data from oil and natural gas companies to improve their fault maps, gaining a much better picture of the ancient cracks that crisscross the state.

But most of the industry data covers only the first mile or so beneath the surface. Most of the state's earthquakes have been much deeper.

"The deep faults are the ones that are moving," said Jeremy Boak, director of the Oklahoma Geological Survey. "A better understanding of those faults will give us a better idea of how the earthquakes are working."

The magnetic survey is designed to measure faults up to five miles below the surface.

Earthquake research and regulations have focused on saltwater disposal wells that take high volumes of water produced along with oil and pump them into the Arbuckle formation, which is the deepest sedimentary rock layer underlying much of Oklahoma.

Earthquake activity peaked in mid-2015 and has dropped steadily since then, although three of the largest earthquakes in state history occurred late last year.

"We've seen a 50-percent reduction, but that's still more than the people of Oklahoma are comfortable with," Boak said. "Every step of the way, we're trying to get better knowledge and see how much we can localize what we need to do with specific actions."

While researchers have a strong understanding about part of the problem, they are continuing to study many aspects of how the forces underground have interacted to cause the state's ongoing earthquake swarm.

"We're still learning a lot about how injection creates earthquakes," Shah said. "We're learning about how far a single injection well can reach. That's an active area of research and one we would like to know more about and better answer the question."

A better understanding of the faults and the underground forces will help researchers make better recommendations to regulators at the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, Boak said.

The study will take place over the next six to eight weeks as the modified aircraft flies back and forth in a tight grid pattern over parts of 18 counties. The onboard equipment is passive only, measuring existing magnetic forces on the ground, Shah said.

For the most sensitive view possible, the aircraft was modified to reduce its own magnetic noise by replacing steel bolts with brass and other similar modifications.

The project is a joint effort of different agencies and divisions. The first sweep is looking at southwest Oklahoma, roughly following the Meers Fault. The area is not part of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission's Area of Interest and has not experienced earthquakes as part of the state's swarm over the past six years. But there is evidence of earthquake activity up to magnitude 7.0 thousands of years ago, Boak said.

Besides faults, researchers also are studying ancient buried magma in the area.

The magnetic survey plane then will move further north to two areas that have experienced the strongest earthquakes over the past few years. The surveys will include an area in northwest Oklahoma near Fairview and a larger area in north-central Oklahoma stretching from Prague through Cushing and to Pawnee.

The Oklahoma Geological Survey has contributed $30,000 to the project, Boak said.

The last large-scale magnetic map using aircraft in Oklahoma was conducted in the 1970s, but that survey had a much lower resolution and was not as clear as what the researchers hope to collect with the current project, Shah said.

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rate is near 98 percent. The first day of school will give us a first look at where the unexpected growth took place.

A TEACHER IN EVERY CLASSROOM

Maybe the best news most people aren't talking about is that the district will go into the school year with 20 or fewer teacher vacancies. That is going to be considerably less than the previous two years, according to MISD officials.

The low teacher vacancies can be attributed to recruitment efforts and moving MISD employees from "central office" positions to the campuses. As the number of teacher vacancies decrease, so should the need for class-size waivers from the TEA. Last year, the district approved asking the TEA for 72 class-size waivers, which was an increase of 31 compared to 2015-16 and four times the number of waivers submitted to the Texas Education Agency in 2014-15.

State law mandates a 22-to-1 student-to-teacher ratio in kindergarten through fourth grade.

DRIVE LIKE SOMEONE IS WATCHING YOU

While Midland's private and charter schools already are in session, today is the day when lights will be flashing in school zones all over the city. Here is a reminder to all drivers — "Cellphone use of any type is prohibited in all school zones." Please don't think your call, text, email check or song search is the exception.

Today, we hope all drivers, including students, realize the responsibility of driving through school zones and near campuses. Give the people who live around campuses a break, drive responsibly and be a good neighbor.

THE 800-POUND GORILLA

Last week, the issue of Confederate imagery at Midland ISD went from the intensity of a tropical depression to a category 2 hurricane. What started out as talk about Lee High School, turned into a petition about changing the name of the school, a different petition about keeping the name of the school and then the announcement that the Lee band will no longer play notes from "Dixie" in its fight song.

To think that this issue will go away on its own is being naive. A protest about the fight song change is expected to occur this morning in front of Lee High School. School district officials have said their focus is on academic performance, not renaming schools. But questions remain. As of Sunday night, there was no indication that Midland ISD officials were planning other changes, but as this community witnessed last week, change can come without notice.

TODAYINMIDLAND

First day for MISD

When: today
Source: MISD

School zones

Speed limits in Midland ISD school zones will go into effect today, the first day of school.

"All school zones are not the same, so drivers should pay close attention to the operation times of each school zone they may travel through," said David Colburn, MISD chief of police. "Cellphone use of any type is prohibited in all school zones."

Source: Midland ISD

Meal applications

Midland ISD Child Nutrition Services is accepting applications for free and reduced-priced lunches for the 2017-18 school year. Applications are available at all campuses; the CNS office, 801 S. Moran St., Building 2; and online at midlandisd.net under CNS/meal application.

Breakfast is free; reduced-price lunches are 40 cents.

For more information, call 240-1840.

Things to do

■ Bingo, 6 p.m., Tall City VFW Post 7206, 1306 E. Taylor Ave. Children welcome.

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

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

Meeting

Commissioners' Court
(includes tax hearing)
9 a.m.
Midland County Courthouse auxiliary courtroom.
500 N. Loraine Ave.

What's on the radio

News talk
KCRS (AM 550)
Local programming
6-9 a.m. The Morning Drive with Kris Moore
5-6 p.m. Local News with KOSA

KWEL (AM 1070, FM 107.1)
Local programming
6-10 a.m. The Morning Show with Craig Anderson
1 p.m. One-on-One w/ R.J. Pase

Other options
Sport talk: KMND (AM 1510)
Contemporary Christian: KFRI (FM 88.7), KLVW (FM 90.5)
NPR: KXWT (FM 91.3)

How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital offers a nurse triage program "68-NURSE."

The program is designed to help people determine whether their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dialing 686-8773.

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

When it's open

Midland County Tax Assessor/ Collector
2110 N. "A" St.
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, Friday
8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursday
688-4810

Midland Central Appraisal District
4631 Andrews Highway
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday through Friday
699-4991

Department of Public Safety: Driver's License Office
2800 Wright Drive
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Wednesday through Friday
8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays
686-1120

Today in History

Today is Monday, Aug. 28, the 240th day of 2017. There are 125 days left in the year.

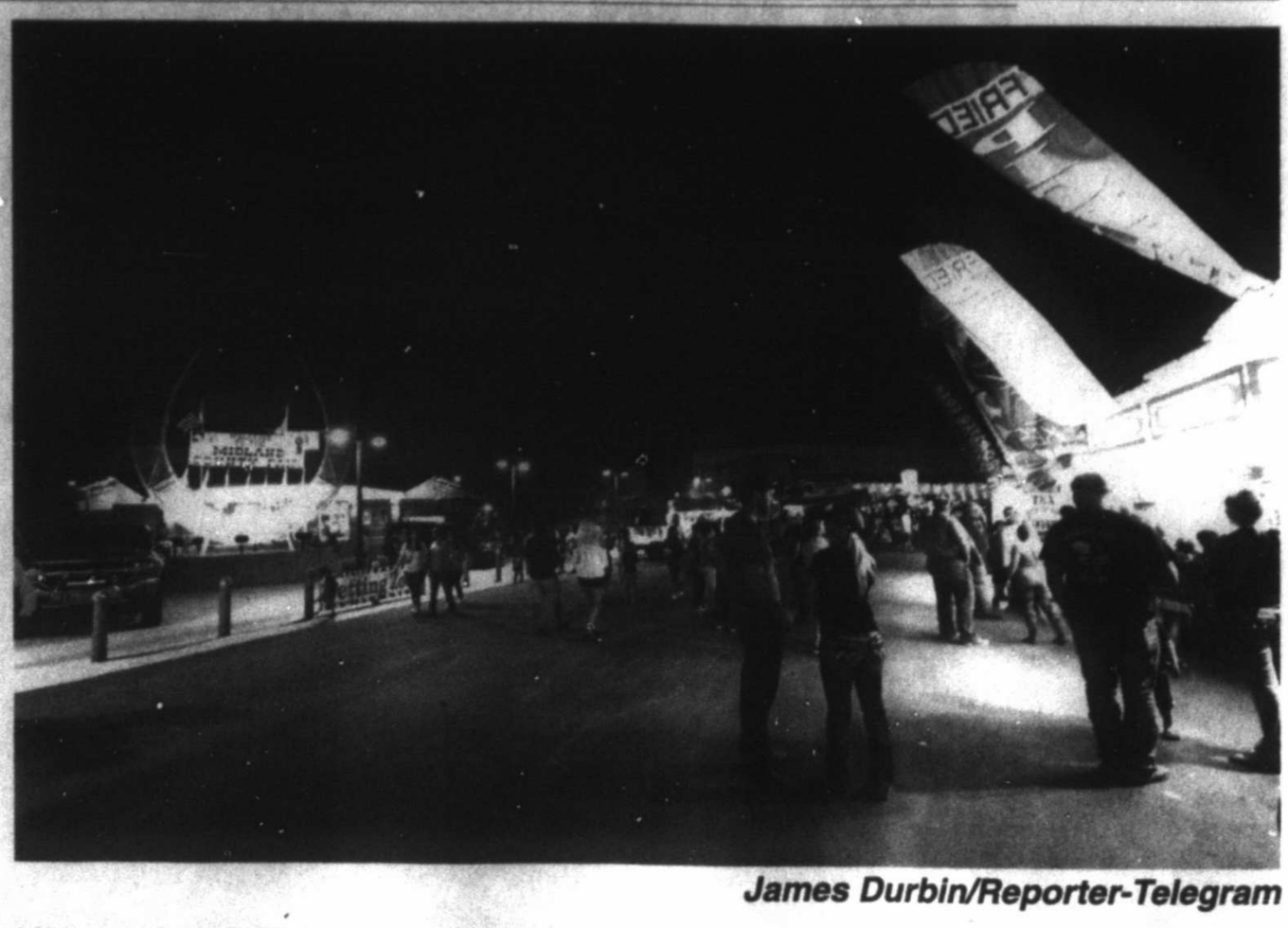
On this date:

In 1963, more than 200,000 people listened as the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech in front of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.

In 1968, police and anti-war demonstrators clashed in the streets of Chicago as the Democratic National Convention nominated Hubert H. Humphrey for president.

In 1996, the troubled 15-year marriage of Britain's Prince Charles and Princess Diana officially ended with the issuing of a divorce decree.

Today's birthdays: Country singer Shania Twain is 52. Country singer Jake Owen is 36. Country singer LeAnn Rimes is 35.



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Midland County Fair visitors stroll along the grounds of the Horseshoe on Friday night. The four-day event concluded Sunday night.

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Weather

Sunday's temperatures
High 90
Low 65
Normal high 92
Normal low 68

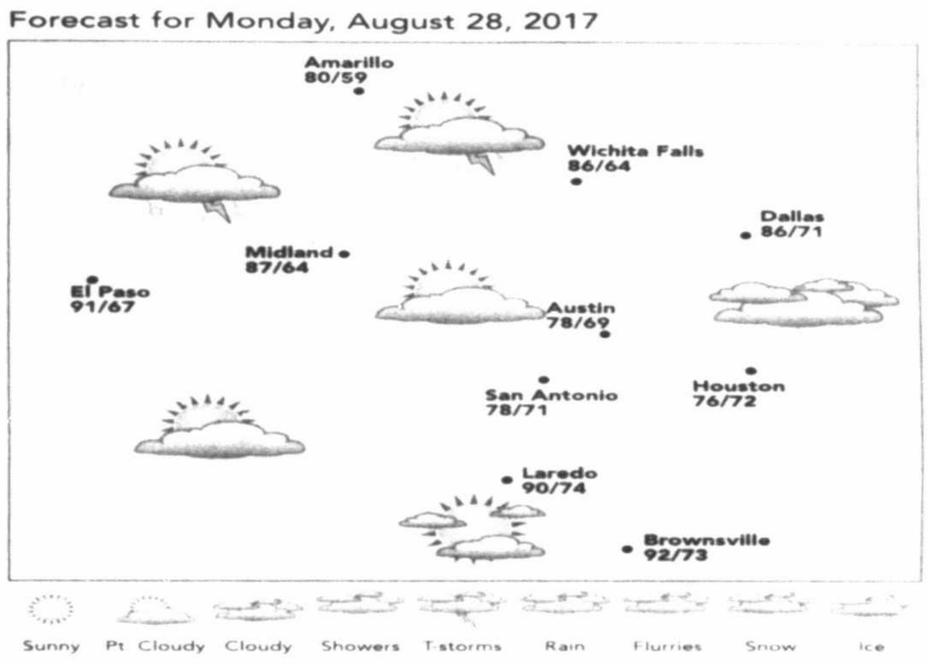
Aug. 27's records
Record high: 106, set in 2002
Record low: 60, set in 1992

Precipitation
Sunday ..... 0.00 in.
Saturday ..... 0.00 in.
Month total ..... 2.52 in.
Year total ..... 12.74 in.
Normal total (year to date) ..... 9.46 in.

Winds
Wind speed: 20 mph
Gust speed: 28 mph

Today's forecast

Forecast for Monday, August 28, 2017



High: 89
Low: 67
Conditions: Mostly sunny today/partly cloudy tonight
Winds: Northeast 5-10 mph today and tonight
Chance of rain: 10 percent today and tonight
Sunrise ..... 7:22 a.m.
Sunset ..... 8:17 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

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

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

A baby born today has a Sun in Virgo and a Moon in Scorpio if born before 3:48 p.m. (EST). Afterward, the Moon will be in Sagittarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Aug. 28, 2017:

This year you might express an unusually passionate facet of your personality. As of fall, you express an intensity that few people have witnessed. Misunderstandings could float in and out of your year. You will need to learn to confirm meetings, places and times. If you are single, you might attract quite an assortment of personalities. Most of you will choose someone who works well with you. Others will enjoy finding out who you choose! If you are attached, do not allow misunderstandings and squabbles to become more. Forgive and forget. Focus on caring for your sweetie. SCORPIO reads you well. Be direct with this sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

HHH Your fiery side emerges when discussing a key issue with an associate or partner. Confusion appears. You might be in the process of becoming an expert at wading through chaos. When making plans or going off to a pre-planned event, confirm the meeting place, time and even your expectations as to what is happening. **Tonight:** Express your caring in a meaningful way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

HHHH Remain responsive to another party, even if they are difficult and/or angry. You could be in a different situation than you anticipated. Clearly a child or new friend appears to be full of ideas and solutions. You could be pleased by what is coming down the path. Confirm meeting times and places. Misunderstandings could happen far too easily. Be smart about your interactions. **Tonight:** Make special time with a loved one.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

HHHH Dive into your work and do your best to get as much done as possible early in the day. Later on, too much could be landing on your plate to focus. Screen calls until after the workday. Confusion surrounds a key relationship. There could be a problem around your home that needs handling. **Tonight:** Touch base with an older relative or friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

HHHH You might want to handle a matter directly that has been on the back burner. You cannot keep your feelings sequestered. In fact, someone, whether it is you or the other party, is likely to blow his or her stack. Say what you are feeling in a diplomatic manner, perhaps several times with different words. **Tonight:** Off for some exercise first.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

HHHH You might want to rethink a judgment involving a personal situation or an issue revolving around property. You could easily lose your temper right now, making a problem even more incendiary. You might need to distance yourself from this person. **Tonight:** Kick up your heels.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

HHHH You might be more forceful about an issue than you realize. Do not hesitate to say what you think. You might have difficulty explaining where you are coming from in a way that others get. Somehow your attitude comes through, even if it's not the specifics. **Tonight:** Focus on your immediate circle or family.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

HHHH You focus on your priorities, though a friend could push very hard to get your attention. Do not be surprised if a spat breaks out. Confirm what you are hearing, especially if it sounds strange. You have a way of presenting yourself that demonstrates sensitivity. **Tonight:** Spend quality time with a loved one.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

HHHH Use the morning and early afternoon, when you are at your best. In the afternoon you might run into a disagreement with a boss or a respected older friend who can trigger you right now. Confirm what you are hearing before making a judgment. **Tonight:** Do some shopping on the way home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

HHHHH You could feel low in the a.m., but the situation could reverse itself out of the blue. Confirm meetings and times. You cannot push someone away and resolve a difficult or messy situation. The two of you will come together no matter what you do. **Tonight:** In the whirlwind of living.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

HHHH You know exactly what you want. Friends and those who know about your fantasies support your efforts to create what you desire. Confusion surrounds a friendship. Give this situation space, and it will right itself. **Tonight:** Handle a personal matter ASAP.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

HHHH You must handle a work-related matter, which could be challenging. A misunderstanding could be complicating the matter even more. Know that time is your ally. Confusion surrounds you. Try to clarify a conversation. **Tonight:** Make an effort toward a friend or loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

HHHH Others could be unusually contentious and demanding. A work-related matter could push you to share a short-term idea. Associates and/or loved ones might have a tendency to unintentionally add confusion to the mix. You could overwork yourself trying to get caught up on your various projects. Recognize that you might need to clarify, explain and question whether others are on the same page as you. **Tonight:** A force to behold.

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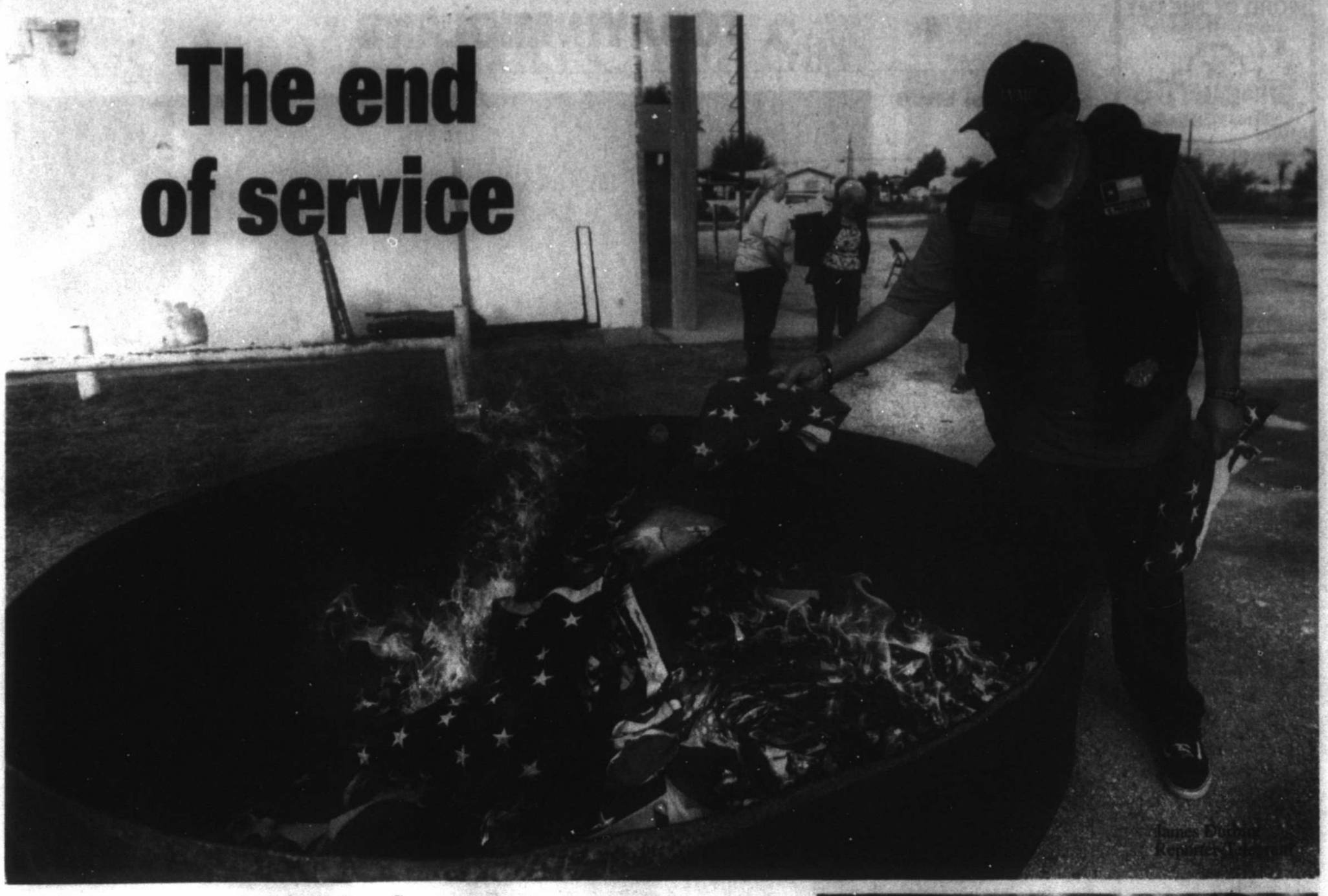

VFW Post 7208 held a flag-retirement ceremony Saturday at the post's headquarters, 1306 E. Taylor Ave. Members of the Midland High School JROTC participated in the ceremony for retiring tattered and worn American flags.

Evans

From 1A

show his Texas pride and to market the company.

"We thought it would be a great way to make our Odessa store a landmark," he told the Reporter-Telegram, adding that he wanted to show that everything is bigger in Texas.

For the new store, which is set to open in about a month, flooring retail will be bigger in Midland.

Russell is building a 13,000-square-foot showroom and will have several hundred rolls of carpet and 750,000 square feet of hard surface flooring in stock, all in an attempt to keep Midlanders in town.

"I think there are a lot of people traveling to Dallas or Houston to buy floors, particularly when building a new home," he said. "We want to keep them from doing that by letting them know that we have great service and that we're competitively priced."

If a quarter-million square feet of hard surface floorings seems like a lot, it is — but that's where the demand is.

"Everything is moving toward hard flooring and away from carpet," Russell said. "Nationally — and I'd say it's true locally — we've seen where carpet was 70 percent to 80 percent of flooring purchases. Now, it's just under 50 percent."

Russell is a relative newcomer to retail. His past business ventures have focused on real estate and technology, particularly his OneTravel online travel agency, which he said made nearly $100 million in its final year before the company's sale. To Russell, he's still in the tech world.

"Flooring doesn't sound much like a technology business, but it really is because of the things they're just able to do, such as the looks and features they're able to build into the flooring products," he said. "It really is a very dynamic market, and we just want to bring a lot of that into Midland."

Russell said he planned to expand Paul Evans to Midland when he bought the business.

Texas Pride Plaza, on the southwest corner of Wadley Avenue and Midland Drive, will be home to 10 to 14 businesses.

Russell said a concierge pharmacy, a Vietnamese restaurant and a nail salon already have committed to be tenants.

Russell said flying the flags is a big investment.

"Our winds just shred flags. We like to keep our flags looking good, so we swap out flags once a month for repair. We have a whole rotation of flags."

The pole is a large investment unto itself; it cost about $25,000. However, Russell said flying the large flag has "worked out well" to bring visibility to the plaza and Paul Evans store.

"We're very proud Texans and like being big," he said.

Congress

From 1A

supports giving border patrol agents more resources, rather than building the president's proposed wall.

The wall will just keep architects busy, building better ladders and tunnels, she said.

Leeder also said our country must protect itself from those who want to hack into the elections process.

She believes government has to be proactive when it comes to security at the ballot box.

Leeder recognizes it won't be easy to unseat a seven-term congressman and the current chair of the House Agriculture Committee. District 11 includes many counties reliant on farming and ranching.

However, she said by spending time with constituents they will see what little impact Conaway has had.

"The first thing you ask them is: Tell me three positive things he has done that has helped you," Leeder said. "Those things that have brought you equipment, profit or regulations that are easier to follow. Those (farmers) I have talked to can't."

Leeder doesn't see herself as a candidate in the mold of a specific current or past politician. She ultimately wants to be heard as a "voice of tolerance and strength."

"I would work across the aisle work on solutions beneficial to everyone involved," Leeder said.

Mark Mulligan/Houston Chronicle via AP

A family evacuates their Meyerland home Sunday in Houston. Rescuers answered hundreds of calls for help Sunday as floodwaters from the remnants of Hurricane Harvey rose high enough to begin filling second-story homes, and authorities urged stranded families to seek refuge on their rooftops.

Rescuers pluck hundreds from rising floodwaters in Houston

By Michael Graczyk
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Tropical Storm Harvey sent devastating floods pouring into the nation's fourth-largest city Sunday as rising water chased thousands of people to rooftops or higher ground and overwhelmed rescuers who could not keep up with the constant calls for help.

The incessant rain covered much of Houston in turbid, gray-green water and turned streets into rivers navigable only by boat. In a rescue effort that recalled the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, helicopters landed near flooded freeways, airboats buzzed across submerged neighborhoods and high-wheeled vehicles plowed through water-logged intersections. Some people managed with kayaks or canoes or swam.

Volunteers joined emergency teams to pull people from their homes or from the water, which was high enough in places to gush into second floors. The flooding was so widespread that authorities had trouble pinpointing the worst areas. They urged people to get on top of their homes to avoid becoming trapped in attics and to wave sheets or towels to draw attention to their location.

Judging from federal disaster declarations, the storm has so far affected about a quarter of the Texas population, or 6.8 million people in 18 counties. It was blamed for at least two deaths.

As the water rose, the National Weather Service offered another ominous forecast: Before the storm that arrived Friday as a Category 4 hurricane is gone, some parts of Houston and its suburbs could get as much as 50 inches (1.3 meters) of rain. That would be the highest amount ever recorded in Texas.

Some areas have already received about half that amount. Since Thursday, South Houston recorded nearly 25 inches (63 centimeters), and the suburbs of Santa Fe and Dayton got 27 inches (69 centimeters).

"The breadth and intensity of this rainfall is beyond anything experienced before," the National Weather Service said in a statement.

Average rainfall totals will end up around 40 inches (1 meter) for Houston, weather service meteorologist Patrick Burke said.

The director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Brock Long, predicted that the aftermath of the storm would require FEMA's involvement for years.

"This disaster's going to be a landmark event," Long said.

Rescuers had to give top priority to life-and-death situations, leaving many affected families to fend for themselves.

Tom Bartlett and Steven Craig pulled a rowboat on a rope through chest-deep water for a mile to rescue Bartlett's mother from her home in west Houston. It took them 45 minutes to reach the house. Inside, the water was halfway up the walls.

Marie Bartlett, 88, waited in her bedroom upstairs.

"When I was younger, I used to wish I had a daughter, but I have the best son in the world," she said. "In my 40 years here, I've never seen the water this high."

The city's main convention center was quickly opened as a shelter.

Gillis Leho arrived there soaking wet. She said she awoke Sunday to find her downstairs flooded. She tried to move some belongings upstairs, then grabbed her grandchildren.

"When they told us the current was getting high, we had to bust a window to get out," Leho said.

William Cain sought shelter after water started coming inside his family's apartment and they lost power. "I live in a lake where there was once dry land," he said.

Some people used inflatable beach toys, rubber rafts and even air mattresses to get through the water to safety. Others waded while carrying trash bags stuffed with their belongings and small animals in picnic coolers.

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner said authorities had received more than 2,000 calls for help, with more coming in. He urged drivers to stay off roads to avoid adding to the number of those stranded.

"I don't need to tell anyone this is a very, very serious and unprecedented storm," Turner told a news conference. "We have several hundred structural flooding reports. We expect that number to rise pretty dramatically."

The deteriorating situation was bound to provoke questions about the conflicting advice given by the governor and Houston leaders before the hurricane. Gov. Greg Abbott urged people to flee from Harvey's path, but the Houston mayor issued no evacuation orders and told everyone to stay home.

The governor refused to point fingers on Sunday.

"Now is not the time to second-guess the decisions that were made," Abbott, a Republican, said at a news conference in Austin. "What's important is that everybody work together to ensure that we are going to, first, save lives and, second, help people across the state rebuild."

The mayor, a Democrat, defended his decision, saying there was no way to know which parts of the city were most vulnerable.

"If you think the situation right now is bad, and you give an order to evacuate, you are creating a nightmare," Turner said, citing the risks of sending the city's 2.3 million inhabitants onto the highways at the same time.

Jesse Gonzalez, and his son, also named Jesse, used their boat to rescue people from a southeast Houston neighborhood. Asked what he had seen, the younger Gonzalez replied: "A lot of people walking and a lot of dogs swimming."

"It's chest- to shoulder-deep out there in certain areas," he told television station KTRK as the pair grabbed a gasoline can to refill their boat.

The Coast Guard deployed five helicopters and asked for additional aircraft from New Orleans.

Hurricane Harvey the latest threat to flood-prone Houston

HOUSTON — Hurricane Harvey slammed into the Texas coast some 175 miles (280 kilometers) from Houston, but the nation's fourth-largest city has never needed a direct strike from a catastrophic storm to flood.

Regularly inundated by floodwaters ever since its settlement in the mid-1800s, Houston looked on warily even before Harvey roared ashore. In Houston, the chronic deluges that have repeatedly swamped its neighborhoods are getting worse and more costly — not just for locals, but for federal taxpayers.

An Associated Press analysis of government data found last year that if the county that is home to Houston were a state, it would have ranked in the top five or six in every category of repeat flood losses. That's defined as any property with two or more losses in a 10-year period each totaling at least $1,000.

Nationally, repeat federal flood relief payouts averaged about $3,000 per square mile (2.5 square kilometers). But in greater Houston, the payouts were nearly a whopping $500,000 per square mile (2.5 square kilometers).

Harvey, which blasted ashore as a major Category 4 hurricane before weakening to a tropical storm, has swamped roads and paralyzed neighborhoods throughout the city. Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner said more than 2,000 calls for help had been received by midday Sunday. Flooding was so bad that residents were being urged to seek refuge on their roofs.

Here's a look at some of the reasons Houston has been so susceptible to flooding:

GEOGRAPHY

Founded on the banks of the Buffalo Bayou, Houston barely rises above sea level. Making matters worse, its flat terrain and clay soil are prone to the flooding of a humid climate that produces extreme rainfall. At least three dozen major floods have been recorded since Houston's founding, including one in April 2016 that claimed eight lives.

INADEQUATE INFRASTRUCTURE

Floods prompted the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to build reservoirs in the 1940s in the western area of Harris County, which encompasses Houston. That addressed some problems, yet few notable flood-control efforts have been undertaken since, experts told the AP last year. Houston in recent decades has focused on improving drainage and building thousands of detention ponds, concrete-lined pools capturing stormwater and piping it out. But, residents say, some developers have skimped on the flood-prevention systems.

MANAGING GROWTH

In the last quarter century, greater Houston has added a million people and its commercial development has cut in half the amount of wetlands per capita that could soak up stormwater runoff. Paved land generates five times more runoff, and those surfaces in Harris County increased by more than 25 percent during that same time, researchers have said. Houston is also the only major U.S. city without zoning, and critics say local leaders have been pro-developer.

CLIMATE SHIFTS

As if Houston's natural elements weren't challenging enough, intense downpours, measuring at least 10 inches (250 millimeters), have doubled in frequency during the last three decades. Rising average temperatures have packed 7 percent more moisture into the atmosphere over Houston. Contributing to that is warmer water in the Gulf of Mexico.

Associated Press

Trump meets and tweets as Texas gov praises Harvey response

By Hope Yen
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump sought to showcase the federal government's response to Hurricane Harvey in a tweetstorm of his own Sunday, marveling over its size like a TV host and announcing a visit to Texas with the natural disaster only just beginning to take its catastrophic toll.

In a series of tweets, Trump said his administration was handling its responsibilities well and, in a tangential aside, hawked a book on race and crime in America written by a supporter.

"Wow - Now experts are calling #Harvey a once in 500 year flood! We have an all out effort going, and going well!"

He later added: "Even experts have said they've never seen one like this!"

Harvey is the first major natural disaster of Trump's presidency and a significant test for a White House that is often chaotic and rife with infighting. Attention on Harvey from officials, the public and the news media also allows Trump to refocus after a turbulent stretch that included his widely criticized response to the white nationalist protests in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Trump, who spent most of the weekend at the presidential retreat at Camp David, convened a Cabinet meeting by telephone Sunday which included Vice President Mike Pence. He tweeted a promise of a Texas visit "as soon as that trip can be made without causing disruption" — later announced by the White House as Tuesday.

Gov. Greg Abbott loaded heavy praise on Trump and the federal government, describing an "A-plus" effort.

"I've got to tell you, I give FEMA a grade of A+, all the way from the president down," Abbott said. "I've spoken to the president several times, to his Cabinet members, such as secretary of homeland security, such as the administrator of FEMA, such as Tom Price, the secretary of health and human services."

The devastating storm has dumped more than 2 feet of rain, sending thousands of people in Houston to rooftops for rescue and prompting a warning from Federal Emergency Management Agency director Brock Long of a "landmark event" that could require years to get damaged areas back on track.

"All across the board, from the White House to the federal administration to FEMA, they've been very helpful," Abbott said.

Harvey made landfall along the Gulf Coast on Friday night as a Category 4 storm near Corpus Christi, and moved northeast along the Texas coast over Houston. Abbott said he expected heavy rain "for days to come."

The governor commended Trump for being "extremely professional, very helpful" in moving quickly to grant his request Friday for an immediate disaster declaration, which triggers additional federal assistance to aggrieved areas.

Abbott said the focus was on rescue in the Houston area, citing multiple high-level vehicles sent in late Saturday night that were being manned by the National Guard, but that boats and helicopters will be available all across east Texas for swift water rescue. Still, in many areas, Houston officials were reporting flooding so widespread that rescuers were getting too many calls to respond to each one and had to prioritize life-and-death situations.

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OPINION

Trump's attack on GOP senators is self-defeating

MARC THIESSEN
Special to the Washington Post

President Donald Trump's advisers apparently pleaded with him not to attack Sen. Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., at his rally in Arizona on Tuesday night. "They all said, 'Mr. President, your speech was so good last night, please, please Mr. President, don't mention any names,'" Trump noted.

But he could not resist. After taking a veiled shot at Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., Trump declared,"Nobody wants me to talk about your other senator who's weak on borders, weak on crime. So I won't mention any names." Just a few days earlier, Trump had tweeted an endorsement of Flake's GOP primary opponent, declaring "Great to see that Dr. Kelli Ward is running against Flake Jeff Flake, who is WEAK on borders, crime and a non-factor in Senate. He's toxic!" And the Mercer family — major Trump donors — have given $300,000 to a super PAC backing Ward in her efforts to unseat Flake.

All of which raises a question: Does Trump really want to make Charles E. Schumer the Senate majority leader? Why would a Republican president attack one of his party's most vulnerable incumbents at time when the GOP holds such a narrow majority that it cannot pass legislation to repeal and replace Obamacare — or much of anything else for that matter?

Yes, Flake failed to endorse Trump in 2016. And yes, Flake just wrote a book critical of Trump. So what? Flake has voted with the president 93.5 percent of the time — more often than Sen. Luther Strange, whom Trump just endorsed in the GOP primary in Alabama. Why on Earth would Trump risk replacing an annoying but reliable yes vote with a Democrat who would strengthen the "Resistance"?

If Flake loses the primary to Ward, Democrats could very well win the seat. Ward is a proven loser who was trounced in her foolhardy primary challenge against McCain in 2016. She recently exposed her political tin ear by calling on McCain to resign right after he was diagnosed with brain cancer — even suggesting that she be appointed as McCain's replacement. She held town hall meetings to discuss "Chemtrails" — a conspiracy theory that holds that aircraft are deliberately spraying us with mysterious chemical substances.

Ward is the 2018 version of Sharron Angle, the disastrous tea party candidate who cost the Republicans a winnable Senate race in Nevada in 2010 and gave us six more years of Harry Reid. Ward could hand Democrats a Senate seat in Arizona for the first time since 1988. And even if Flake holds her off, a costly and unnecessary primary race could weaken him in the general election, while draining resources Republicans should be using to target vulnerable Senate Democrats and expand the GOP's Senate majority.

Flake is not the only endangered Republican to find himself in Trump's crosshairs. This year, Trump went after Sen. Dean Heller, R-Nev., for refusing to support the early, deeply flawed version of the Senate Republicans' Obamacare replacement. A pro-Trump group launched an ad campaign against Heller — reportedly with the blessing of the Trump White House — and sent out tweets asking, "Why did @SenDeanHeller lie to voters about #RepealAndReplace? He's now with @NancyPelosi. NOT GOOD!" A recent poll showed Heller narrowly trailing his likely Democratic opponent 41 percent to 42 percent, in a purple state where Hillary Clinton beat Trump 48 percent to 46 percent.

It is not in Trump's interest to see either Heller or Flake lose in 2018. One lesson that Trump should have learned is that he needs more than 50 Republicans in the Senate to get 50 votes on his priorities. He needs to build his majority, not reduce it.

Republicans have a structural advantage in 2018, defending just eight Senate seats, while Democrats must defend 25 — including five in states that Trump won by double digits. But the party that controls the White House usually loses seats in off-year elections. And the GOP will enter 2018 with its base dispirited by legislative failures, while the anti-Trump Democratic base is energized and eager to deliver a stinging rebuke to the president.

If Flake and Heller lose, it is not outside the realm of possibility that Democrats could win back control of the Senate, making the Trump agenda dead on arrival in the chamber. Trump may not care about that, but there is something he should care about: If Democrats retake the Senate, they will control the Senate's investigative committees. Does Trump want to hand Schumer unbridled subpoena power?

If so, then by all means he should do everything in his power to weaken Flake and Heller.

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OPINION EXTRA

How Trump and the media should respond to Hurricane Harvey

It's no secret that how a president responds to a natural disaster can affect his fortunes. President Barack Obama's reaction to Hurricane Sandy contributed significantly to his 2012 re-election. President George W. Bush's fumbled response to Hurricane Katrina was part of a ruinous sequence of events in 2005 that destroyed his second term's political momentum.

Neither event was exclusive in its impact — Obama benefited greatly from moderator Candy Crowley's intervention in a presidential debate with Mitt Romney, for example, and Harriet Miers's failed nomination to the Supreme Court greatly hurt Bush's standing — but major disasters always amplify the president's role as national leader and cheerleader. A well-timed visit to the site of a terrible loss of property and often lives rallies residents, raises money and reduces hopelessness.

So, here's some specific advice for President Donald Trump.

First, watch all of the coverage closely. Speak with Texas Gov. Greg Abbott and Federal Emergency Management Agency Director Brock Long often. If you must tweet, tweet only about the storm and its impacts. Don't golf or dine out. Act as a concerned family member would when news of a family tragedy arrives but details are few. Avoid all other controversies.

Then, do as you did in the aftermath of the flooding in Louisiana last summer. Show up and pitch in when Abbott invites you.

And some advice for my colleagues in the media: Be very slow to politicize this storm. It looks to be quite awful in its impacts. The pull of domestic politics generally and the president specifically on every story is so strong these days that it takes great intentionality to not make this an occasion for another round of Trump trashing or boosterism.

And, crucially, if people express online or on air that they are praying for the victims of the storm, ditch the snarky assaults on such traditional expressions. It's not a sentiment. It's a real and often cherished act and gift.

— Hugh Hewitt, special to the Washington Post

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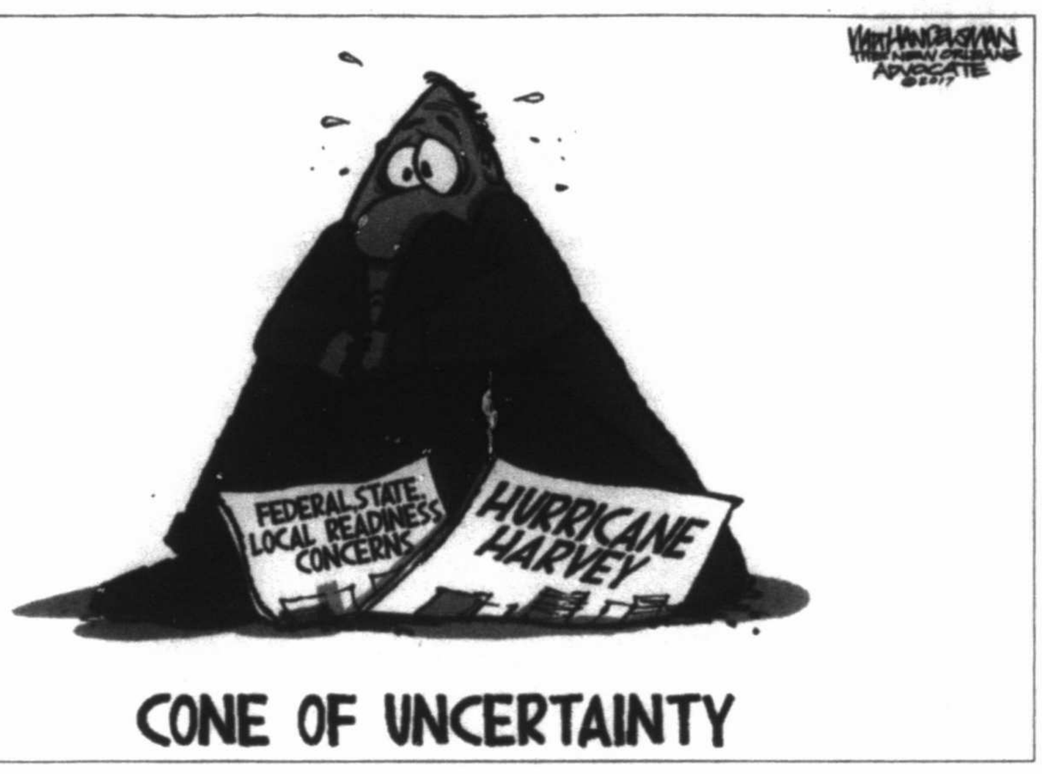

Trump charts a course to oblivion

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Deep in the heart of Texas, Gov. Greg Abbott and Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick must have thought they had a political winner.

Patrick, a conservative crusader and talk-radio host, got Abbott to call a special session this summer of the Texas Legislature — an emergency! — largely for the purpose of passing a "bathroom bill" to restrict the use of public restrooms by transgender people.

It was opportunistic and cynical, a solution in search of a problem. Proponents of the "Privacy Act" raised bogus fears about men exposing themselves to, and assaulting, women and girls in showers and toilets. Texans, Patrick proclaimed, "don't want their children showering together, boys and girls in the 10th grade … and women want to be protected."

But things didn't go according to plan. The business community objected, fearing the sort of economic boycott that hit North Carolina over a similar bill. Police chiefs called the legislation counterproductive. Polling showed Texans, particularly young Texans, didn't think the issue a priority. Support for the bill shrank from an earlier attempt at passage. The House speaker, a Republican, refused to bring it up. The Legislature adjourned Aug. 15 with the bathroom bill swirling in the drain.

Even deeply conservative Texas, it seems, has no appetite for discrimination against transgender Americans. Yet here comes President Trump with a fresh attempt at just such discrimination.

After Trump announced last month, via Twitter, that he would block transgender people from serving in the military, there were reports last week that the White House was issuing guidelines to the Pentagon that transgender people would not be allowed to enlist, and those already serving could be removed.

Never mind that transgender people have been serving openly in the military, essentially without incident. Never mind that the military wasn't asking for such a ban. And never mind the American tradition that any able-bodied patriot should be allowed to serve.

The proposed ban on transgender enlistments follows the administration's revocation earlier this year of protections for transgender students in public schools. In both cases, Trump stands athwart history, yelling, "Go back."

Just as a consensus has rapidly formed in recent years in support of gay marriage, the experience in Texas makes clear that acceptance of transgender people is moving inexorably in the same direction.

A Quinnipiac University poll this month finds that 68 percent of voters believe transgender people should be allowed to serve in the military. A majority of military households agree. By 46 percent to 14 percent, voters said more acceptance of transgender people would be "a good thing for the country" rather than bad. Even a third of Republicans accept transgender service.

Trump is, as usual, playing to his (dwindling) base. In doing so, he is aligning himself, literally, with the past over the future. Younger voters are the most accepting of transgender people and older voters the least. Quinnipiac found that 54 percent of those18 to 34 believe more transgender acceptance would be good for the country, compared with only 35 percent of those 65 and older.

So it goes for Trump generally. He has the strong support of just 26 percent of the country — and that falls to 20 percent among the youngest voters while jumping to 33 percent among the oldest. Now he's talking about shutting down the government unless Congress funds his border wall, an idea that Americans oppose by nearly 2 to 1. Support for the wall draws greatest opposition from young voters and least opposition among older voters.

This means that Trump is, in an actuarial sense, charting a course to oblivion. History is moving in one direction and Trump in the other.

That's where Patrick, Abbott and the Texas bathroom-bill proponents were heading. Polling by the University of Texas and the Texas Tribune found that Texans did not share their leaders' sense of alarm about transgender rights. Only 26 percent of voters considered it a "very important" matter (44 percent considered it important) for the Legislature, and older voters were 10 percentage points more likely than younger voters to think it important. Support within the House actually declined over time: There were 80 co-sponsors during the regular session but only 60 in the special session, the Tribune noted.

For good reason. The bill had little substance: no penalties for those who violated the law, no increased punishments for crimes in restrooms, no real enforcement mechanism. It was just rank discrimination.

Texas rejected that. Inevitably, the nation will, too.

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Josh Edelson/Associated Press

Demonstrators march during a free speech rally Sunday in Berkeley, Calif. Several thousand people converged in Berkeley on Sunday for a "Rally Against Hate" in response to a planned right-wing protest that raised concerns of violence and triggered a massive police presence. Several people were arrested for violating rules against covering their faces or carrying items banned by authorities.

Black-clad anarchists storm Berkeley rally, assaulting 4

By Paul Elias and Jocelyn Gecker
Associated Press

BERKELEY, Calif. — Black-clad anarchists on Sunday stormed into what had been a largely peaceful Berkeley protest against hate and attacked at least four people, including the leader of a politically conservative group who canceled an event a day earlier in San Francisco because of fears violence could break out.

The group of more than 100 hooded protesters, with shields emblazoned with the words "no hate" and waving a flag identifying themselves as anarchist , busted through police lines, avoiding security checks by officers to take away possible weapons. Then the anarchists and blended in with a crowd of 2,000 largely peaceful protesters who turned up to demonstrate in a "Rally Against Hate" opposed to a much smaller gathering of right-wing protesters.

Among those assaulted by the anarchists was Joey Gibson, the leader of the Patriot Prayer group, who canceled a rally Friday and was prevented from holding a news conference on Saturday when authorities closed off the public square Gibson planned to use. Gibson has said he launched Patriot Prayer after several supporters of President Donald Trump were beaten at a Trump campaign stop in San Jose, California last year.

After the anarchists spotted Gibson at the Berkeley park, they pepper-sprayed him and chased him out of it as he backed away with his hands held in the air, accompanied by a masked man wearing football shoulder pads. Gibson and the man went behind a line of police wearing riot gear, who set off a smoke bomb to drive away the anarchists.

Earlier in the day, another group of left-wing demonstrators dressed in black attacked at least three men in the park, kicking and punching them until the assaults were stopped by police. Police also used a smoke grenade to stop one scuffle.

Police in the San Francisco area have been braced for violence and trying to prevent protests that draw left-wing and right-wing opponents since the deadly confrontation in Charlottesville, Virginia, on Aug. 12 during a rally of white supremacists.

Berkeley authorities did not issue a permit Sunday's gathering of right-wing protesters and Berkeley Mayor Jesse Arreguin had urged counter-protesters to stay away.

It had been canceled by organizer Amber Cummings, who encouraged supporters to stay away but said she would attend on her own.

By mid-afternoon Cummings had not appeared and left-wing protesters far outnumbered right-wing supporters.

Earlier in the day, police had set up barricades around park and checked people who entered to make sure they did not have prohibited items like baseball bats, dogs, skateboards and scarves or bandanas they could use to cover their faces.

Several people were arrested for violating rules against covering their faces or carrying items banned by authorities.

At one point, an anti-rally protester denounced a Latino man holding a "God Bless Donald Trump" sign.

"You are an immigrant," said Karla Fonseca. "You should be ashamed of yourself."

Several other people also yelled at the man, who said he was born in Mexico but supports Trump's proposal to build a wall along the southern border.

Police pulled one supporter of President Donald Trump out of the park over a wall by his shirt as a crowd of about two dozen counter demonstrators surrounded him and chanted "Nazi go home" and pushed him toward the edge of the park. At least two people were detained by officers for wearing bandannas covering their faces.

Anti-rally protesters chanted slogans "No Trump. No KKK. No fascist USA" and carried signs that said: "Berkeley Stands United Against Hate."

A separate group of counter protesters had assembled earlier Sunday at the nearby University of California, Berkeley campus and then marched park to merge with the anti-rally protesters who had already gathered there.

Both Cummings and Gibson have disavowed racism and say they wanted to hold the rallies to bring conservative voices to the liberal San Francisco Bay Area.

Student activism was born during the 1960s free-speech movement at Berkeley, when thousands of students at the university mobilized to demand that the school drop its ban on political activism.

However, the violence in Charlottesville led San Francisco area police and civil leaders to rethink their response to protests.

Pain, confusion, frustration at Charlottesville town hall

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Charlottesville officials and representatives of the Department of Justice are hearing from city residents in the aftermath of a deadly white nationalist rally.

Sunday's community town hall meeting was the latest expression of frustration with officials over the response to the rally, which descended into deadly violence. Residents spent around three hours criticizing officials and asking questions about the way law enforcement responded after violence broke out.

Some speakers said they were depressed and traumatized. There were calls for the mayor and police chief to reign.

The rally earlier this month was believed to be the largest gathering of white nationalists in a decade.

A woman was killed when a car plowed into protesters, and two state troopers died when their helicopter crashed.

Associated Press

Police: Concrete slab may hold remains of long-missing woman

By Mark Scolforo
Associated Press

MILTON, Pa. — Investigators hope tests on a three-ton hunk of concrete will soon solve the 1989 disappearance of a young mother, by determining whether her remains were fed through wood chipper and then entombed in the basement of a Pennsylvania duplex.

Sunbury Police Chief Tim Miller announced earlier this month that preliminary results showed the concrete contained wood chips, and he's waiting to see if they also hold the remains of Barbara Elizabeth Miller.

A forensic pathologist is "dissecting the walls, so to speak, piece by piece, hammer-and-chisel type, looking for the smallest of clues," Miller, no relation to Barbara Miller, said last week. He called it "mere speculation if a wood chipper was or wasn't used. Obviously the presence of wood chips in a concrete wall is highly suspicious."

An affidavit used to obtain a search warrant for the Milton home disclosed that investigators believe the woman may have been killed by her ex-boyfriend, a onetime Sunbury policeman named Joseph Walter "Mike" Egan.

Egan "is and has been the lead suspect in this case since 1989," the chief wrote in the affidavit.

Egan, a Northumberland resident who trims trees for a living, on Friday flatly denied he had anything to do with Barbara Miller's disappearance.

"They're way off base," Egan said, then promised to have his lawyer provide additional comment later in the day. He declined to name his attorney, and no one called back.

The police affidavit said that several people have said that over the years, Egan would talk about driving past his sister's home in Milton to "visit" his "old lady," the same building where police seized the massive chunk of cement currently being examined.

Egan, 69, who in 1988 was paroled after serving six years in state prison for receiving stolen property and other offenses, a crime he committed as a police officer, reported her missing five days after she disappeared, then moved into her home.

The affidavit says Barbara Miller, then 30 years old, had complained to police in the months before she disappeared about Egan, and days before she vanished, told friends she feared for her life.

Her teenage son, Eddie Miller Jr., said she and Egan had a fight on June 30, 1989, the night she disappeared, over her plans to attend a friend's wedding without him. Eddie Miller also recalled that the morning after the wedding, Egan was driving his mother's car, and the tires were covered with yellow clay that he thought was related to concrete work.

"Let me tell you something," Egan said Friday before ending the brief interview. "It was my car, not her car."

Seventeen years later, a judge declared Barbara Miller dead, but in recent years the Sunbury Daily Item began looking at the case again, and encouraged Tim Miller to investigate after he became police chief last year.

"This is most action this case has ever seen, and you can't ask for more than that," said Daily Item reporter Francis Scarcella. "There's no miracle, but we've got the attention of people now."

Tim Miller said an informant told him in May that Egan's sister, Cathy Reitenbach, who in 1989 rented from a judge the Milton home where the concrete slab has been recovered, told the informant in about 1990 that Reitenbach had been one of the last people to see Barbara Miller alive. Reitenbach died in January.

The chief found a 2009 report in department files that Barbara Miller's remains were in the Milton home, but apparently the tip was not pursued. He also located a 2004 report "that Egan put a body inside the wall of a home," and three people who have said Egan would "get high on cocaine and drive by a home in Milton to 'check on his old lady,'" Tim Miller wrote in the affidavit.

The Milton home's current owners let investigators into the basement, where they found "highly suspicious construction," including a concrete floor that was added on, with portions of what appeared to be hand-mixed concrete. A small room in the basement, Tim Miller wrote, "was very peculiar," with thick concrete walls and an exhaust fan.

Another informant, the

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Police officers look over a slab of concrete pulled out of the basement of a home in 2017 in Milton, Pa. Investigators hope cement taken from the Pennsylvania basement will solve the 1989 disappearance of Barbara Elizabeth Miller by determining if her remains were fed through wood chipper and then entombed there. Police said preliminary results showed the concrete contained wood chips and they're testing for the remains of Miller.

Charities try to help teachers survive pay collapse

By Sean Murphy
Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — Tiona Bowman was overcome with emotion when the walls were erected last spring on her first-ever new home, a three-bedroom, two-bath house in Tulsa built through Habitat for Humanity.

Bowman was flanked by her daughter and members of her family, work colleagues and a handful of local reporters who had come to document the event.

Unlike most of those who qualify for a subsidized Habitat home, though, Bowman, 28, wasn't a fast-food worker or other low-income service employee, but rather a teacher in Tulsa Public Schools with a master's degree and three years of experience.

"Obviously I was grateful and excited," said Bowman, who teaches middle-school English and whose $34,000 salary made her eligible for a no-interest loan on one of the program's houses. "But on the other hand, I was like: I went to school for all these years, I have these degrees, and I qualify for a program like this?"

Charity for teachers isn't that unusual in Oklahoma these days as more of them approach the ranks of the working poor, becoming the most visible victims of the state's seemingly endless budget problems.

With state revenues depleted by deep tax cuts and lower energy prices, Oklahoma's teacher salaries are now the second lowest in the U.S., even though the state's gross domestic product ranks 29th.

Teachers haven't had a pay hike in a decade, and 10-year veteran teachers who are single now make little enough that their own children qualify for reduced-price school lunches.

As schools reopen for the fall term, hundreds have left their jobs while communities and local charities are coming forward with gifts and incentives to try to keep others from departing.

"Habitat for Humanity was not intended to be constructing homes for working teachers," said Cameron Walker, the charity's Tulsa director, but their income is approaching "typically hourly jobs, people who couldn't walk into a bank and get a mortgage."

While never high, teacher pay was squeezed when the GOP-led Legislature slashed taxes on both individual income and oil and natural gas production in 2014, just as oil prices began dropping sharply from a boom-era level of more than $100 a barrel. Oil prices now are hovering below $50.

Since then, while publicly making higher teacher salaries their top priority, lawmakers have not overcome strong conservative aversion to resetting the tax rates, especially on the powerful oil and gas industry. Over the past three years, state funding for public schools has declined by more than $48 million, even as student enrollment increased by nearly 8,000.

While school budgets overall have suffered, teacher pay has taken the greatest hit because it alone is entirely funded by state appropriations rather than a mix of state, local and county revenue. Oklahoma's average teacher salary of $45,276 trails only Mississippi, while the starting minimum salary is $31,600.

Even affluent districts with new buildings and huge football stadiums are now hemorrhaging qualified teachers to other states or professions. Overall, there are about 1,500 fewer teachers in Oklahoma than in 2010, according to data from the Oklahoma State School Boards Association.

In some cities, a sense of emergency is growing. In Tulsa, a downtown church has begun providing free meals periodically to teachers at a nearby school.

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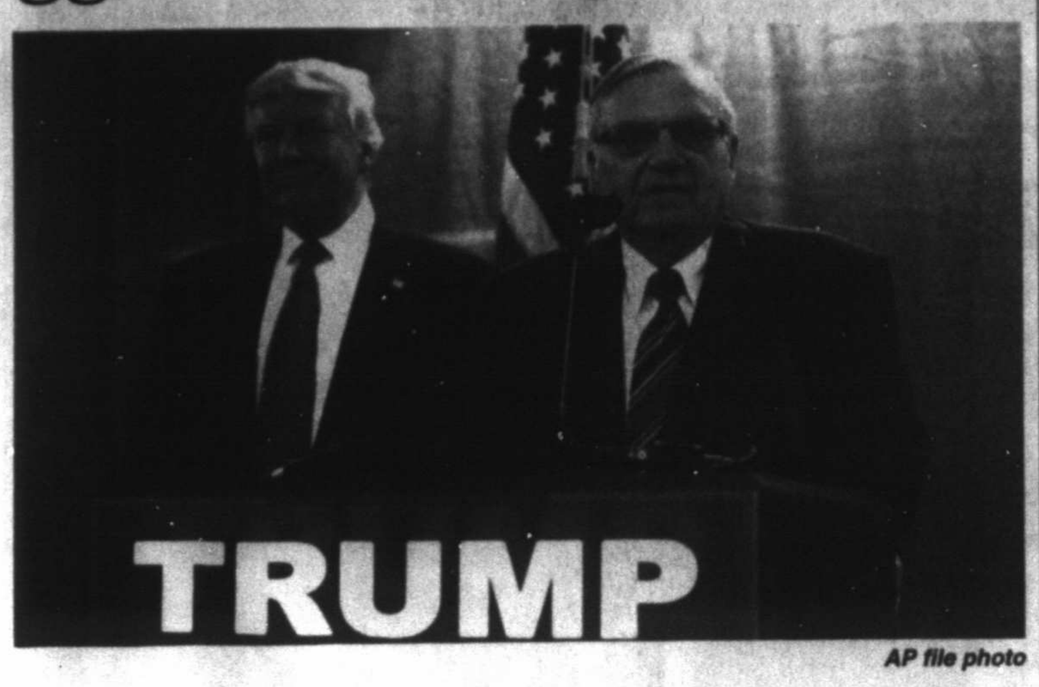
With Trump pardon, Arpaio again wiggles out of legal trouble

By Jacques Billeaud
Associated Press



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Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump, left, is joined by Maricopa County, Ariz., Sheriff Joe Arpaio during a new conference Jan. 26, 2016, in Marshalltown, Iowa. President Donald Trump has pardoned former sheriff Joe Arpaio following his conviction for intentionally disobeying a judge's order in an immigration case. The White House announced the move Friday saying the 85-year-old ex-sheriff of Arizona's Maricopa County was a "worthy candidate" for a presidential pardon.

PHOENIX — In his 24 years as metro Phoenix's sheriff, Joe Arpaio survived scandals and dodged investigations that would easily have sunk the careers of many politicians.

He locked up journalists and made criminal cases against political adversaries who tangled with him, investigated judges and misspent $100 million in jail funds. He let investigations into child rape cases languish because officers were pulled away, in part, to help in Arpaio's immigrant efforts.

Arpaio was found to have violated the civil rights of Latinos in a racial-profiling case expected to cost taxpayers $92 million by next summer.

His critics felt like they finally won a measure of accountability against the lawman after he was found guilty earlier this month on a misdemeanor contempt charge for flouting the courts in carrying out his signature immigration patrols.

But their victory was upended when a pardon by his most powerful political ally — President Donald Trump — allowed Arpaio to wiggle out of legal jeopardy again.

"Arpaio played up to Trump, and Trump is a good old boy, and he doesn't give a damn about us — only likes people of his own mind and from his base," said Mary Rose Wilcox, a former county official who was charged with crimes in a now-discredited corruption case brought by Arpaio. "He wanted red meat, and Arpaio was that red meat."

For Arpaio, the pardon is the ultimate vindication after repeatedly complaining that he was being unfairly targeted for merely enforcing the law in arresting immigrants in the country illegally.

He celebrated the victory at an Italian restaurant with his wife and said he'll discuss more about his future early next week. The former sheriff vowed to remain active politically, and issued a fundraising appeal for his legal defense fund within an hour or two of the pardon's announcement Friday afternoon. Arpaio, reached Saturday, declined to comment further.

A judge nominated to the bench by former President George W. Bush ordered Arpaio to stop his immigration patrols in 2011 amid allegations that his officers were racially profiling Latinos. The judge later found Arpaio's office systematically profiled Latinos and recommended a criminal charge against the sheriff for prolonging the patrols 17 months after he had ordered them stopped.

The pardon drew widespread condemnation among Latinos, Democrats and even some Republicans who believe the move is offensive to immigrants at a time of deep racial divisions in the aftermath of the violence in Charlottesville. Some conservatives said it was a long-overdue action to preserve the legacy of a man they say was punished for doing his job.

"It's a misdemeanor equal to a barking-dog complaint," said Tom Morrissey, a former chairman of the Arizona Republican Party. "To spend millions of taxpayer dollars to go after Sheriff Joe for doing his job, I think, was kind of ridiculous."

The reality is that taxpayers in Phoenix and its suburbs will pay for Arpaio's racial profiling for years to come.

The overall profiling case against Arpaio and his office has already cost taxpayers $66 million on items such as attorney fees, officer training and an alert system to spot problematic behavior by sheriff's deputies. Over the next year, it will cost an additional $26 million, largely for adding officers to the effort to comply with a court-ordered overhaul of the agency.

The financial toll is expected to continue until the sheriff's office comes in full compliance for three straight years with court-ordered changes. The sheriff's office was deemed 40 percent compliant in the first phase of the overhaul and 58 percent compliant in its second phase, according to the latest report measuring the agency's progress.

Taxpayers have footed another $82 million in judgments, settlements and legal fees for the sheriff's office, covering issues such as lawsuits over deaths in his jails and the lawman's failed investigations of political enemies. That tally includes $3.5 million paid to a family of a developmentally disabled girl who was molested while Arpaio's office did not investigate her abuser.

"Joe Arpaio received a pardon yesterday," Maricopa County Supervisor Steve Gallardo, a longtime Arpaio critic, said Saturday. "The taxpayers did not receive a pardon."

While Arpaio had long defied predictions of his political demise, the costs of the profiling case and the criminal case against the Republican sheriff are believed to have contributed to his loss in November to Democrat Paul Penzone, a little-known retired Phoenix police sergeant.

Arpaio suffered a cruel irony on election night: He lost the heavily Republican Maricopa County by nearly 13 percentage points, while Trump — who shares similar views on immigration as Arpaio — won by more than 3 percentage points.

Morrissey blamed a steady stream of negative news about Arpaio from local reporters for Arpaio's loss.

"It was day after day after day of the media attacking him," Morrissey said.

Wilcox offered a different explanation: Voters grew tired of Arpaio's legal problems and penchant for self-promotion, but were not familiar with Trump.

Arpaio's "abuses were so well documented that finally people said we had enough," Wilcox said. "They didn't know Trump."

Trump prepares to lift limits on military gear for police

By Sadie Gurman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration is preparing to restore the flow of surplus military equipment to local law enforcement agencies under a program that had been sharply curtailed amid an outcry over police use of armored vehicles and other war-fighting gear to confront protesters.

Documents obtained by The Associated Press indicate President Donald Trump plans to sign an executive order undoing an Obama administration directive that restricted police agencies' access to the gear that includes grenade launchers, bullet-proof vests, riot shields, firearms and ammunition.

Trump's order would fully restore the program under which "assets that would otherwise be scrapped can be repurposed to help state, local, and tribal law enforcement better protect public safety and reduce crime," according to the documents.

Attorney General Jeff Sessions could outline the changes during a Monday speech to the national conference of the Fraternal Order of Police in Nashville, Tennessee, a person familiar with the matter said. The person insisted on anonymity to discuss the plan ahead of an official announcement.

The changes would be another way in which Trump and Sessions are enacting a law-and-order agenda that views federal support of local police as a way to drive down violent crime.

National police organizations have long been pushing Trump to hold his promise to once again make the equipment available to local and state police departments, many of which see it as needed to ensure officers aren't put in danger when responding to active shooter calls and terrorist attacks. An armored vehicle played a key role in the police response to the December 2015 mass shooting in San Bernardino, California.

In 1990, Congress authorized the Pentagon to give surplus equipment to police to help fight drugs, which then gave way to the fight against terrorism.

Groups across the political spectrum have expressed concern about the militarization of police, arguing that the equipment encourages and escalates confrontations with officers. President Barack Obama issued an executive order in 2015 that severely limited the surplus program, partly triggered by public outrage over the use of military gear when during protests in Ferguson, Missouri, following the shooting death of 18-year-old Michael Brown. Police responded in riot gear and deployed tear gas, dogs and armored vehicles. At times, they also pointed assault rifles at protesters.

Obama's order prohibited the federal government from providing grenade launchers, bayonets, tracked armored vehicles, weaponized aircraft and vehicles, and firearms and ammunition of .50-caliber or greater to police. As of December, the agency overseeing the program had recalled at least 100 grenade launchers, more than 1,600 bayonets and 126 tracked vehicles — those that run on continuous, tank-like tracks instead of wheels — that were provided through the program.

Trump vowed to rescind the executive order in a written response to a Fraternal Order of Police questionnaire that helped him win an endorsement from the organization of rank-and-file officers. He reiterated his promise during a gathering of police officers in July, saying the equipment still on the streets is being put to good use.

"In fact, that stuff is disappearing so fast we have none left," Trump said.

The documents, first reported by USA Today, say Trump's order would emphasize public safety over the appearance of the heavily equipment. They describe much of the gear as "defensive in nature" intended to protect officers from danger.

The Justice Department declined to comment on the expected move.

Most police agencies rarely require military equipment for daily use but see a need to have it available, said Chuck Wexler, executive director of the Police Executive Research Forum.

"It is hard to imagine any situation where a grenade launcher or bayonet would be something that a major police department would need, but defensive shields and armored vehicles kept on reserve will be welcome," he said.

Sessions has said he believes improving morale for local law enforcement is key to curbing spikes in violence in some cities. The plan to restore access to military equipment comes after Sessions has said he intends to pull back on court-enforceable improvement plans with troubled police departments, which he says can malign entire agencies and make officers less aggressive on the street. Consent decrees were a hallmark of the Obama administration's efforts to overhaul certain agencies, sometimes after racially charged encounters like the one in Ferguson.

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chief said in the affidavit, told him that Reitenbach's close friend, Harry Catherman, once told someone that if they did not pay a drug debt, they would "end up just like Barbara Miller did in Cathy's basement."

Catherman hung up when contacted for comment.

In early June, police brought in more than a half-dozen cadaver-smelling dogs, and they all separately alerted that human remains may be present in the basement or in material taken from the basement. During a subsequent weeklong dig, police hauled the massive rectangular chunk of cement from the basement, leading to last week's announcement that it contains wood chips.

Barbara Miller's former home in Sunbury was also searched, and investigators are keeping quiet about what they found in a metal barrel recovered during an Aug. 10 search of a nearby pond.

Barbara Miller was last seen by her friends at about 8 p.m., putting flowers from the wedding into her car. She said she was headed home to change and would meet them later at a bar.

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SINGAPORE

Divers find remains of all missing from USS McCain collision

The U.S. Navy says divers have recovered the remains of all 10 sailors who went missing after the USS John S. McCain and an oil tanker collided near Singapore last week.

The Japan-based 7th Fleet said Monday that Navy and Marine Corps divers had found the remains. They had been searching in flooded compartments of the destroyer after the damaged ship docked in Singapore.

The cause of the Aug. 21 collision is under investigation.

LONDON

UK's Labour backs staying in EU's single market after Brexit

Britain's main opposition party announced Sunday that it backs the U.K. staying in the European Union's single market and customs union during a "transition period" after Brexit, arguing that would give much-needed certainty to businesses and consumers.

The Labour Party says the ruling Conservative Party's Brexit position — taking Britain out of the EU single market immediately after March 2019, when Britain formally leaves the bloc — would be "unnecessary" and "a highly risky path to take."

Labour Brexit secretary Keir Starmer said his party wants Britain to keep abiding by the terms of its current EU membership during a transition period before a final shift to a new Britain-EU relationship. He says that should avoid a "cliff edge" situation for the British economy. He did not specify how long this transition period should last, only that it would be "as short as possible, but as long as is necessary."

"By remaining inside a customs union and the single market in a transitional phase we would be certain that goods and services could continue to flow between the EU and the U.K. without tariffs, customs checks or additional red tape. There would be no need to set up complex alternative customs or trading relations," he wrote in The Observer newspaper.

Prime Minister Theresa May's Conservatives agree there should be a "time-limited" transition period after March 2019. But they have made clear that Britain must be outside the EU single market and customs union during the transition so it can exercise more control over immigration and strike up new trade deals with other countries.

Starmer added that Labour would leave open the option of Britain remaining a member of the EU customs union and single market for good, though any such deal would have to give Britain more control over immigration.

Officials from Britain and the EU are to meet Monday in Brussels for a new round of Brexit talks.

Britain voted to leave the EU in June 2016 but did not trigger the formal two-year exit process until March.

By Sylvia Hui
Associated Press

LONDON

Police arrest 2nd man in Buckingham Palace terror incident

London police arrested a second man Sunday in connection with a suspect who drove up to a police van not far from Buckingham Palace then reached for a 4-foot (1.2-meter) sword, an incident detectives called a terrorism attempt.

Scotland Yard said three officers were slightly injured when they confronted the 26-year-old man who allegedly drove at the police van then stopped in a restricted area outside the gates of Queen Elizabeth II's London residence Friday night.

The driver reached for the sword in his car and repeatedly shouted "Allahu akbar!" ("God is great" in Arabic) during the incident, police said. The officers used tear gas to incapacitate the man and arrested him at the scene.

No one other than the man and the officers were injured. Two of the officers were treated for minor cuts in the hospital, while the third did not require hospital treatment.

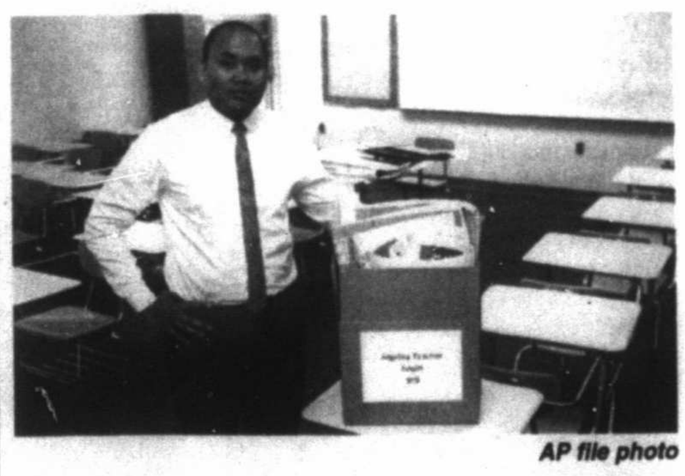
Police said a second suspect, a 30-year-old man, was detained Sunday in west London on suspicion of involvement in terrorism. Officers were searching an address in the area as part of the probe.

Police had said Saturday they believed the first suspect was acting alone and were not looking for potential accomplices. The force has obtained a warrant to detain him until Sept. 1.

"This is a timely reminder that the threat from terrorism in the U.K. remains severe," Metropolitan Police counterterrorism chief Dean Haydon said. "While we cannot speculate on what the man was intending to do — this will be determined during the course of the investigation — it is only right that we investigate this as a terrorist incident at this time."

Palace officials declined to comment. British media reported that no members of the royal family were in Buckingham Palace, one of London's top attractions, at the time. The queen typically spends the month of August at her Balmoral estate in Scotland.

By Sylvia Hui
Associated Press



AP file photo

Former Oklahoma high school teacher Shawn Sheehan poses for a photo in the classroom where he once taught algebra June 1 in Norman, Okla. Sheehan, a former Oklahoma Teacher of the Year, has joined the exodus of Oklahoma teachers and has moved to Texas to teach in better conditions.

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Habitat for Humanity has built houses for two Tulsa teachers and has received applications from about a dozen more. A Tulsa-based charity, the George Kaiser Family Foundation, is offering low-interest home loans, or, for Teach for America recruits, subsidized rent on newly refurbished downtown apartments.

In smaller communities such as Enid in rural northwest Oklahoma, the chamber of commerce is soliciting fitness centers and restaurants to offer discounts and freebies. And scores of organizations are soliciting donations to buy classroom supplies.

Still, it's a tough sell. Robert Romines, superintendent in the Oklahoma City suburb of Moore, had just two or three vacancies to fill at this time last year. This year, he's struggling to fill 25 vacancies, mostly hard-to-fill posts like science, mathematics and special education.

"It's due to the fact that there aren't any applicants," Romines said.

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RECOGNIZING MIDLAND'S UNSUNG HEROES & VOLUNTEERS

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DEBBIE BERGEN

PINK THE BASIN, SENIOR LINK

Professional and community involvement: I am the owner of Debbie Bergen Promotional Products and am celebrating 21 years in business this month. Great customer service has always been my No. 1 goal, and my customers have become my friends. I have served on the boards of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, Casa de Amigo and RSVP. I am currently on the board for Pink the Basin and president of Saving True Pairs - One Mammogram at a Time.

How did you decide to serve the community as a volunteer with Senior Link and Pink the Basin? Saul at RSVP/Senior Link was one of my very first customers when I started my business. Senior Link is such an amazing organization and serves so many people in our community — from Meals on Wheels to the Foster Grandparent Program and the Senior Companion Program. I was asked to be on the board for Pink the Basin when I was going through breast cancer six years ago. Pink the Basin promotes women's health through awareness, education and assistance. A mammogram saved my life, and I wanted to be a part of an organization that helps others get that lifesaving mammogram. The money doesn't leave our area, and I like that. When I was going through my breast cancer adventure, my son-in-law, Tommy Hosier, and my dear friend, Peggy Floyd at Jake's Clays, started a breast cancer clay shoot in my honor.

What unexpected lesson have you learned while serving as a volunteer and through your nonprofit work? A person never knows what life they might touch when volunteering. I think God puts us in a certain spot at just the right time to help someone who really needs that smile, kind word or a big hug.

Why is volunteerism a priority for you? I can't imagine not being a volunteer somewhere. It's just the right thing to do. There are unlimited volunteer opportunities available in our community. I love people. My life has been filled with many blessings, and I just want to give back as much as I can. Helping others — that is what it is all about.

How long has Midland been your home, and why have you stayed? This is our second time to live in Midland, and we have been here about 26 years this time. We came back because of my husband's job. We love the people, and it has been a great place to live and raise our family.

What else would you like our readers to know about you? My wonderful husband, Marc, and I will celebrate our 43rd anniversary in October. We have a beautiful daughter, Danielle, and her hubby, Tommy Hosier, and of course, my fabulous grandson, Mason Hosier. Our son Brandon, and his sweet wife, Ashley, will be blessing us with another grandson this year. Cooper Bergen is due to arrive in October. Life is good, and God is great.

Saving True Pairs - One Mammogram at a Time will be hosting the sixth annual clay shoot Oct. 13 at Jake's Clays. For more information, go to jakesclays.com.

"NOBODY WORKS HARDER TO PROMOTE ALL OF OUR PROGRAMS"

Debbie Bergen has been a longtime friend and partner of Senior Link Midland. Many years ago, she was on our Senior Corps Advisory Council, and ever since, has worked closely to support our vision "to improve the quality of life of seniors in Midland."

Debbie goes over and beyond to assist us with promotional products through her business and with the gift of her valuable time. Just last year, she worked tirelessly for the Pink the Basin clay shoot and turned around the same weekend to volunteer for the Texas Size Garage Sale benefiting our Meals On Wheels program.

Nobody works harder to promote all of our programs than Debbie Bergen. Each time she visits our agency, she shares her smile, love and encouragement with our entire office. We simply can't begin to thank her for her years of commitment and devotion.

Kathleen Kirwan-Haynie, *executive director Senior Link*

"DEBBIE IS TIRELESS, PASSIONATE AND COMMITTED"

As a breast cancer patient, one looks for the "silver linings" along the journey. Debbie Bergen is just that — a beautiful silver lining that offers encouragement and compassion and a lifelong friendship to everyone who has to battle breast cancer. Once you meet Debbie, you will never forget her. Through her own personal experience, as well as that of other survivors, she is keenly aware of the need for mammograms.

Eighty percent of Permian Basin women over 40 who should get a mammogram this year will not — for whatever reason — and Debbie's passionate mission through her work with Saving True Pairs and Pink The Basin is to educate our community on the importance of mammograms. Pink the Basin does not want one single Permian Basin resident to forego a mammogram for financial concerns, emotional distress or lack of knowledge.

Debbie, along with her close friend, Peggy Floyd with Jake's Clays, hosts the annual Saving True Pairs clay shoot every October. Over the last five years, Saving True Pairs has donated in excess of a half a million dollars to Pink The Basin to fund grants for mammograms at our local hospitals.

Debbie is tireless, passionate and committed to the idea that until a cure for breast cancer is found, mammograms can provide early detection and save lives. I can think of no better way to honor Debbie than to simply ask each of you, "Have you had your mammogram?"

Mara Barham, *president Pink The Basin Inc.*

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Disney uses AR to promote 'The Last Jedi'

Campaign includes a treasure hunt, photo posts to win prizes

By Anousha Sakoui
Bloomberg

Disney is harnessing all of its media might to make the next Star Wars movie the biggest film of the year, employing augmented reality and social media in a global campaign to promote "The Last Jedi" and related merchandise.

Starting Friday, which Disney again dubs Force Friday, fans of the sci-fi films can use smartphones to take part in an augmented-reality treasure hunt, like the "Pokemon Go" craze that gripped videogame fans last year. The worldwide Find the Force hunt will take place over three days, starting in Sydney, and will involve more than 20,000 stores in 30 countries, Disney said in a statement Thursday.

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Superhero movies are going high-definition

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Disney's Star Wars movies — it's released two since buying Lucasfilm for $4 billion in 2012 — rank among the biggest ever, and the Burbank, California-based studio plans a total of at least six. Key to the company's success has been its ability to draw in a new generation of fans, especially now with U.S. box-office sales in decline. The movie opens Dec. 15.

As part of the campaign, Disney has created a smartphone app that's activated by special logos that appear on cut-out figures in stores. Fans who turn up to buy action figures or drones from the new lineup of products can use the devices to discover characters like the alien birds called Porgs, pose with them and share the images on social media. Fans who post on social media can win prizes, like tickets to the movie's premiere.

"This campaign is on a bigger scale than the first Force Friday, both in terms of geographic scope and the number of retailers," Paul Southern, a senior vice president at Disney's Lucasfilm, said in an interview.

At its D23 fan event in July, Disney unveiled a smartphone-based augmented-reality headset, designed with Lenovo Group Ltd. It lets fans play fantasy games from the original Star Wars trilogy, like Holochess. Characters appear against the backdrop of whatever the smartphone camera is pointed at, making them seem real. Disney's augmented-reality products coincide with a broader tech-industry push in the field in coming months, including Apple's launch of a new iPhone operating system.

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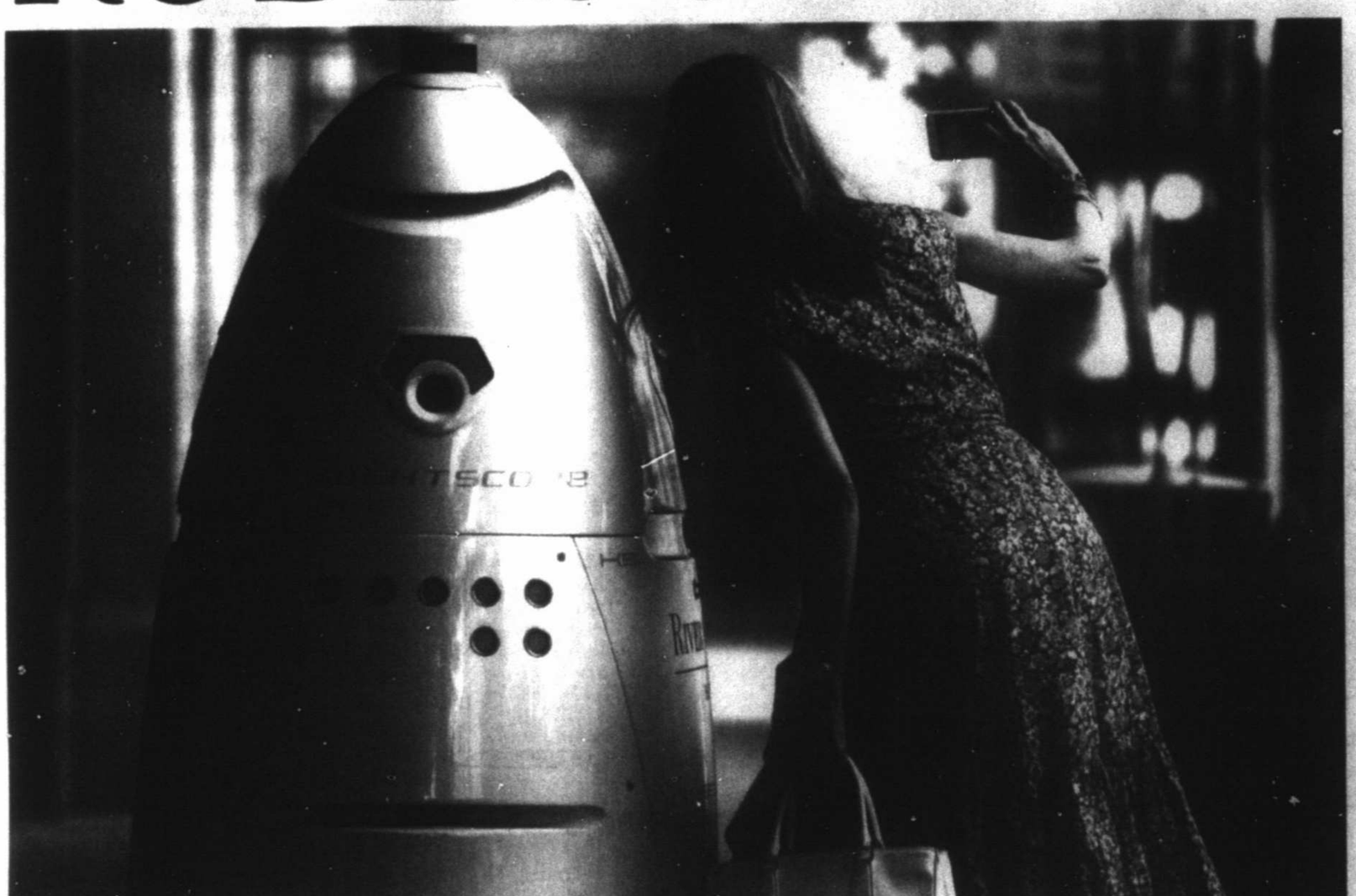
ROD2 IS ON PATROL



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Dee Dee Howes takes a selfie with a new security robot, nicknamed ROD2 — a play on River Oaks District and the famous Star Wars droid — as it patrols the sidewalks and parking garage at River Oaks District on Aug. 18 in Houston.

Robot helps provide security in Houston neighborhood

By Katherine Blunt
Houston Chronicle

The security robot stopped in front of its boss, who had blocked its path in the parking garage of the swanky River Oaks District.

The egg-shaped patroller spun slowly on its wheels, scanning for a way to skirt its human counterpart without barging past. The boss matched its movements. A deep voice emerged from within its polished white shell.

"Excuse me," it said.

It then scooted away, whistling a tune.

"It's pretty patient," said Matt Hare, an account manager for Allied Universal, the company that monitors the high-end shopping center on Westheimer Road.

The robot, named ROD2, recently became the latest addition to a patrol team eager to experiment with fast-evolving technology that has captured the attention of robotics developers. Its eyelike cameras continuously compile information on its surroundings and monitor for unusual activity, providing extra surveillance in an area where expensive cars and high-end stores might tempt thieves.

The robot, designed by Silicon Valley-based Knightscope, is one of nearly 40 patrolling shopping centers, parking lots and business properties across the country. The company expects that number to reach 100 by year's end.

"We're seeing the potential for robotics to become an enabling technology for every industry," said Andra Keay, managing director of the nonprofit group Silicon Valley Robotics. "That means moving into business, into retail, into a whole range of other areas."

The 5-foot-tall autonomous robot resembles an armless R2D2, more friendly than calculating. Surprised shoppers stop it on the sidewalk for selfies and Snapchat posts, diverting it from its usual activity.

"It does draw a lot of attention," Hare said.

Left alone, the robot roves a designated area with a complex set of sensors that enable it to detect obstacles, stay on track and monitor its energy levels. It works around the clock, stopping to charge every couple of hours.

Suspicious behavior

It's equipped to read license plates, recognize familiar faces and detect what could be suspicious behavior. It can also sense extreme heat, something it has done often since starting work under the oppressive Houston sun.

It hasn't yet recorded any trouble at the River Oaks District, save for the time when a car bumped it while backing out. Humans buffed out the scuff.

In other venues, though, Knightscope robots have recorded information that helped law enforcement officials issue an arrest warrant for a sexual predator, apprehend a thief and track down a vandal.

Knightscope, founded in 2013 by a former Texas police officer and a former automotive executive, is developing other models. It recently secured $10 million from more than 3,000 investors, adding to the $14 million it raised in past financing rounds.

Other companies, including Cobalt Robotics, have also rolled out security robots, a growing area of interest in the startup world. But Knightscope is one of the best-known players in the field, Keay said.

"They're certainly leading in the way," she said.

Knightscope robots face a distinct challenge: They generally operate outdoors in somewhat unpredictable environments, challenging their developers to account for a range of potential scenarios. One of its robots made headlines last month when it apparently tripped into a fountain outside an office in Washington, D.C.

At the River Oaks District, the robot is confined to part of the parking garage and areas between Cartier and the iPic theater. The rest of the security team pays special attention when it takes a route that requires crossing the street.

"It's just inherently more difficult than

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Texting leads to distracted walkers, study shows

■ Stamford, Conn., may follow Honolulu in fining pedestrians who use smartphone on city streets

By Isabel Gottlieb
Bloomberg

This really shouldn't be a surprise to anyone who's done it: You are just no good at texting and walking.

While you might do OK at the reading and typing part, your preoccupied brain isn't paying enough attention to what's going on with your feet. It's such a hazard that Honolulu last month adopted an ordinance to outlaw smartphone use by pedestrians crossing streets. Now Stamford, Connecticut, may become the second U.S. city this year to combat the problem with fines.

"The point is, if you're on the street and not paying attention, it's dangerous," Stamford Mayor David Martin said.

That seems straightforward enough, and there's research showing texting can result in what's called distracted walking. John Zelinsky, a member of the Stamford Board of Representatives, said he's confident a proposed cellphone crosswalk ban will be adopted and that once text-happy citizens see cops issuing citations — right now the idea is for the fine to be $30 per violation — "they will think twice."

Most U.S. states already ban texting by drivers. But there isn't unanimous support for dinging foot-travelers in a bid to improve safety. The city council in Honolulu heard from residents who testified about enforcement hurdles and the impact on tourists and complained about overreach. As one person said in a written comment, "Why should the government dictate where I look?"

Some skeptics wonder if distracted-walking laws are unfair, or even counterproductive. "Sure, people can walk into a risky situation, but that implies that pedestrians are often at fault," said Jonathan Matus, chief executive officer of Zendrive, a company that uses smartphone sensors to track driving behavior. "I feel like legislating pedestrian distraction might give aggressive drivers a scapegoat to blame fatalities on the road with, and I'm not excited about that aspect."

Safety experts point to the numbers: U.S. pedestrian deaths have been on the rise, with 5,376 in 2015 and nearly 6,000 last year, the most in two decades and up 22 percent from 2014, according to data compiled by the Governors Highway Safety Association for a recent report. (The 2016 total is a projection based on numbers from the first half of that year.)

There are no statistics to show whether texting played a role in any of the fatalities, but "when you keep records for 40 years and see two consecutive years with the

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Team of engineers organizes data on Facebook's cloud

By Matt Day
Seattle Times

SEATTLE — More than 2 billion people log into Facebook every month. Every day, the social-media crowd uploads billions of photos, calls up hundreds of millions of hours of video, and fires off a prodigious flurry of likes and comments. Somebody has to store that slice of humanity's digital record.

Much of that task falls to Surendra Verma, a Seattle engineer who for more than 20 years has been building software that files away and retrieves large volumes of data.

Verma leads the storage team at Facebook, the group charged with making sure that the social network can accommodate its daily deluge without losing someone's wedding photos.

Most of that unit is based in Seattle, part of a workforce that today numbers

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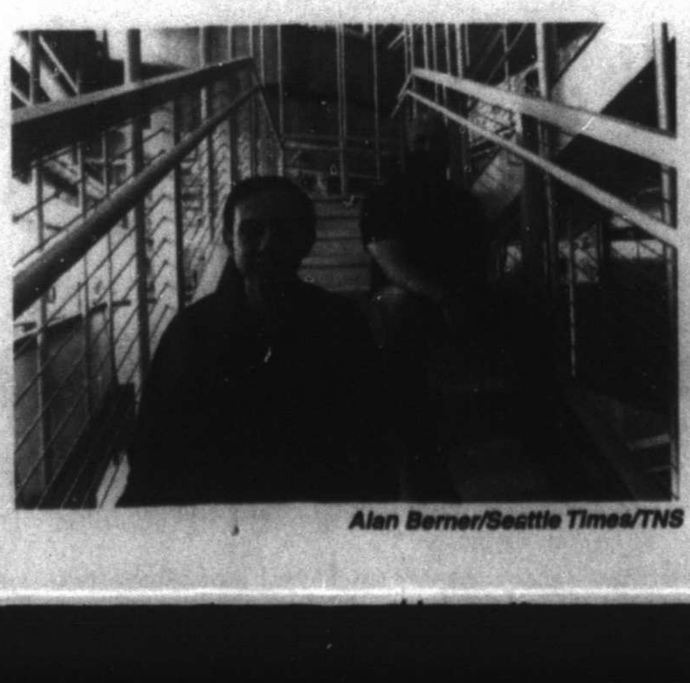

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Surendra Verma, left, and J.R. Tipton are Facebook engineering managers in the company's Seattle office. They are on the storage team charged with building the tools to store the billions of photos and videos uploaded to Facebook and Instagram.

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BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Bachelor in Paradise (N)				To Tell the Truth		Local 2 News (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	Milo Ventimiglia	(:35) News Nightline
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News (N)	Ent. Tonight	Kevin Can Wait	Superior Donuts	Mom	Life in Pieces	Scorpion "Strife on Man"		CBS 7 News (N)	(:35) The Late Show	Al Gore, Issa Rae	(:35) J.Corden
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Mama's Family	ALF	Hogan's Heroes	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	P. Mason "The Case of the Fugitive Nurse"		Twilight Zone
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	6	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	So You Think You Can Dance "Top 8 Perform" (N)				Fox 24 News (N)	TMZ	Modern Family	Two and a Half	Hot in Cleveland	Met Your Mother
	KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Faith for Families	The Wings of Truth	Update News	Mani Erfan	Light of the Southwest "Part 1"		Light of the Southwest "Part 2"		Update News	Housecall	Aleph Course	Sounds of Shofar
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsW-est 9 (N)	NewsWest 9 Now	American Ninja Warrior "Denver City Finals" The 'Mile High City' hosts the final stop. (N)				Midnight "Blinded by the Light" (N)		NewsW-est 9 (N)	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Seth Meyers
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour (N)		Antiques Rd. "Rapid City (Hour One)"		Antiques Rd. "Rapid City (Hour Two)"		POV "Raising Bertie" (N)			PBS Previews	Newsline	Tavis Smiley
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	La rosa de Guadalupe		Enamorandome de Ramon		Mi marido tiene familia		La Tierra Prometida		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Contacto Deportivo	
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Last Man	Last Man	SVU "Spectacle"		Law&O: SVU "Bully"		Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Anger M.	Anger M.	Tosh.0	Access H.
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	575			165	(5:00) ★★★★ Crash		★★ It Runs in the Family				★★ House of D			(:45) Glengarry Glen Ross		
	HBO	300	590	14	14		Movie	News (N)	★★ Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen					Insecure	Game of Thrones			(:25) Boxing
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	HBO5	304	552	16	102		★★★★ Crimson Tide Gene Hackman.				★ The Birth of a Nation Nate Parker.				★ The Blair Witch Project			Movie
	MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:30) Incarnate		★★ From Hell ('01, Thril) Johnny Depp.				(:50) ★★★ The Mummy Brendan Fraser.				(:15) Puerto Ric...	
	MAX2	382	558	18	122		(:15) ★★ The Day the Earth Stood Still				★★★★ Allens Sigourney Weaver.					(:20) Mechanic: Resurrection		
	PLEX			96			(5:10) The Skulls		★★ Prom Night				★★ The Grudge			(:05) ★★ The Grudge 2		Movie
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	TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(5:30) ★ As I AM: T...		★ Bridge of Spies ('15, Thril) Mark Rylance, Tom Hanks.					★★★★ Breach ('07, Susp) Ryan Phillippe.				Movie
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Intervention "Caylee"		Interve. "Aaron"	TBA	Intervention "Melissa" (N)		Esc.Polygamy "The Prophet's Son" (N)		(:05) Murder of Laci P "Media Frenzy"	(:05) Interve.		(:35) TBA
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:30) ★★ Chappie ('15, Act) Sharlto Copley.			Preacher (N)			(:05) Loaded (N)		(:05) Preacher	(:10) Loaded		
	BET	58	-		40		(4:00) Addicted		★ Only for One Night ('16, Thril) Karrueche Tran, Brian White.						Martin	Martin	(:15) Martin	(:50) Martin
	BRAVO	65	76		41		The Real Housewives		Orange County (N)		Real Housewives (N)		Wives Dallas (N)		Watch	Real Housewives		Dallas
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		American Greed (N)		American Greed	American Greed		
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360 (N)		CNN Special		CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)	A. Cooper 360		
	DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Diesel "Truck Norris"		Diesel Brothers (N)		Diesel Brothers (N)		Vegas Rat Rods (N)		(:05) Diesel Brothers	(:05) Vegas Rat Rods		
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Underc.	Raven's.	Raven's.	StuckMid	Bizaard.	Andi M.	Liv/Mad	Underc.	Bizaard.	Raven's.	StuckMid	Bunk'd
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	MLB Baseball (L)						SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
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	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	HartFood	Diners	Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners	Diners
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(5:00) ★★★ The DUFF				★★ The Breaks Up ('06, Com/Dra) Vince Vaughn.				The 700 Club		★★★ Clueless	
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	SportsD-ay OnAir	HS Spotlight	Outlaw: Life, Death and Texas Football			H.S. Football Classics		Football Classics		H.S. Football Classics		UFCKn-ockouts
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	(4:00) ★★ Iron Man 3		★★ Despicable Me 2 Steve Carell.				★★ Despicable Me 2 Steve Carell.				★ Underworld: A...	
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
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	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(5:00) ★★ Ghosts of Girlfriends Past		★★★ The Sixth Sense ('99, Thril) Haley Joel Osment, Bruce Willis. A child psychologist tries to help a young boy who is haunted by ghosts.						Growing Up model "Daddy Issues"	Super-	★★★ The Sixth Sense Bruce Willis.	
	MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Hardball (N)		All in (N)		Rachel Maddow (N)		The Last Word (N)		The 11th Hour (N)		Rachel Maddow	
	NBCSN	38	43				Super High Roller		High Roller		High Roller		High Roller		Super High Roller		High Roller	
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	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:30) ★★ G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra				★★★ Shooter ('07, Act) Michael Peña, Mark Wahlberg.						★ Terminator 2: Ju...	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy "The Simpsons Guy"		American Dad! (N)	People of Earth (N)	Conan		People of Earth	Conan
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:00) ★ The Honkers		★ Supergang ('82, Act) Tyrus Bronley.				★★★★ Blazing Saddles			(:45) ★ Pat Garrett & Billy the...		
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	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(:15) ★★★ Django Unchained (2012, Western) Christoph Waltz, Leonardo DiCaprio, Jamie Foxx. A slave teams up with a bounty hunter to rescue his wife from her plantation owner.								Will "Play the Devil" (N)		Will "Play the Devil"	
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	MASH	(:35) MASH	(:10) MASH	(:50) Ray	(:25) Loves Ray		Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	NCIS "Page Not Found"		WWE Monday Night Raw						(:05) Modern	(:35) Modern	(:05) Modern	(:35) Modern
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DEAR ABBY: I'm not a dog person. I'm not even an animal person. I am, however, surrounded by dog owners — my family, my husband's family, my neighbors. Back in middle school, I was bitten several times by dogs while delivering my paper route.

My husband has been without a dog for five years (since the beginning of our relationship). Over the last six months, he has begun to ask when he can get "us" a dog. I absolutely do not want one. They're not clean, they make "messes," and we will constantly have to find someone to care for it when we travel. I have told him this, yet he continues asking. We can't even agree on a hypothetical breed of dog.

I suppose I could say, "Go ahead," with the condition that my husband will have to shoulder all pet-related responsibilities. But we both know how well that will work out. What do you think? — WARY IN WISCONSIN

DEAR WARY: There's a saying, "Once bitten, twice shy." Because you have been bitten more than once, your reason for not wanting a dog seems logical. Frankly, I think it would be unfair to the animal to bring it into a household in which it wasn't unanimously welcomed. And if you think your husband would lay the responsibility for caring for the dog on you, you should not agree.

DEAR ABBY: My 62-year-old father has recently started to streak his hair with fluorescent colors. He does it when he goes to his job and coordinates his hair color with his outfits. As far as I know, his employer has not said anything as of yet.

Also, Dad has difficulty with social cues. My mother and I aren't happy with his "fashion" choices and we plead with him to stop doing this. It's embarrassing because it looks stupid and ridiculous. He claims he doesn't care what others think and that he has flair.

Are my mother and I wrong to criticize his "flair"? Isn't this behavior really inappropriate for a man his age? How can we convince him that he's making a fool of himself and should stop? Your help is appreciated. — NO FOOL LIKE AN OLD FOOL

DEAR N.F.L.A.O.F.: Repeat after me: We cannot change other people; we can only change the way we react to them. Understand that how your father presents himself reflects only on him — not you. Because you and your mother have tried reasoning with him and he refuses to listen, you all might be happier if you stop making HIS fashion choices YOUR problem.

DEAR ABBY: My wife seems to only want to have sex with me when I'm supposed to be at work. It's really flattering, but I am at risk of losing my job. We don't have enough savings to last more than a couple of months if I'm out of work. She wanted me to call in sick today, but I didn't know how to say no without offending her. Help! — JOHN IN CANADA

DEAR JOHN: Try this. Ask your wife, "Which is more important to you — me in your bed or food on the table and a roof over our heads? I'll be home by 6 o'clock. Be ready!"

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ 10 5 2 ♡ 10 6 4 3 2 ◊ 10 9 8 ♣ A 9

Partner opens one diamond and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

A — Most experts will respond anytime they have an ace. This hand, with three 10's and a five-card major to bid, is clear cut. Bid one heart.

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

♠ Q J 9 ♡ 8 7 4 2 ◊ J 10 5 4 ♣ K 5

Partner opens one club and right-hand opponent overcalls one diamond. What call would you make?

A — A one no-trump response after an overcall shows a stopper plus a little more than it would without the overcall. This hand barely makes the grade. Bid one no-trump.

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

♠ J 10 8 ♡ A 9 ◊ J 5 2 ♣ J 10 9 5 4

Partner opens one no-trump, 15-17, and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

A — Looking for a possible game may get you too high. This hand is not quite worth the effort. Pass.

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

♠ 8 2 ♡ K 10 2 ◊ 5 ♣ K Q 9 8 7 6 4

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
3♣	Pass	3♠	Pass

What call would you make?

A — Partner's bid is forcing and you have to do something. The options are all flawed, but we like four spades best.

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Apps

App Store Official Charts for the week ending Aug. 20

Top Paid iPhone Apps:
1. Minecraft: Pocket Edition, Mojang
2. Solar Eclipse Timer, Gordon Telepun
3. Heads Up!, Warner Bros.
4. iSchedule, HotSchedules
5. Bloons TD 5, Ninja Kiwi
6. The EscapistsTeam17, Software Ltd
7. Plague Inc., Ndemic Creations
8. ThemeGear - Live Wallpapers, Abdel Ghany Motaleb
9. Geometry Dash, RobTop Games AB
10. Facetune, Lightricks Ltd.

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1. Instagram, Instagram, Inc.
2. YouTube - Watch Videos, Music..., Google, Inc.
3. Snapchat, Snap, Inc.
4. Messenger, Facebook, Inc.
5. Facebook, Facebook, Inc.
6. Remind: Fast, Efficient School..., remind101
7. Google Maps - Navigation & Travel, Google, Inc.
8. Bitmoji - Your Personal Emoji, Bitstrips
9. Sarahah, ZainAlabdin Tawfiq
10. War Wings, Miniclip.com

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2. Notability, Ginger Labs
3. Procreate - Sketch, paint, cre..., Savage Interactive Pty Ltd
4. The EscapistsTeam17, Software Ltd
5. Geometry Dash, RobTop Games AB
6. Five Nights at Freddy's, Scott Cawthon
7. Minecraft: Story Mode - Season..., Telltale Inc
8. GoodNotes 4 - Notes & PDF, Time Base Technology Limited
9. RotoWire Fantasy Football Draft, Roto Sports, Inc.
10. Terraria, 505 Games (US), Inc.

Top Free iPad Apps:
1. YouTube - Watch Videos, Music..., Google, Inc.
2. Netflix, Netflix, Inc.
3. War Wings, Miniclip.com
4. Messenger, Facebook, Inc.
5. Bowmasters - Top Multiplayer B..., Playgendary
6. ROBLOX, Roblox Corporation
7. Snipers vs Thieves, PlayStack Ltd
8. Facebook, Facebook, Inc.
9. Google Chrome - The Fast and S..., Google, Inc.
10. Super Phantom Cat 2, Veewo Games

Movies

iTunes Movies U.S. charts for week ending Aug. 20

iTunes Movies US Charts:
1. Alien: Covenant
2. Baywatch
3. The Lion King
4. Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2
5. King Arthur: Legend of the Sword
6. Snatched
7. Fences
8. The Boss Baby
9. John Wick: Chapter 2
10. The Wall

iTunes Movies US Charts - Independent:
1. Beatriz At Dinner
2. Chris Brown: Welcome to My Life
3. Colossal
4. Chuck
5. The Dinner
6. Pilgrimage
7. I, Daniel Blake
8. The Lost City of Z
9. 6 Days
10. Napoleon Dynamite

Music

iTunes Official Music Charts for the week ending August 24, 2017.

Top Songs
1. Look What You Made Me Do, Taylor Swift
2. Despacito (feat. Justin Bieber), Luis Fonsi & Daddy Yankee
3. Sorry Not Sorry,Demi Lovato
4. Strip That Down (feat. Quavo), Liam Payne
5. Friends,Justin Bieber & BloodPop
6. Slow Hands, Niall Horan
7. Wild Thoughts (feat. Rihanna & ..., DJ Khaled
8. Attention, Charlie Puth
9. Believer, Imagine Dragons
10. There's Nothing Holdin' Me Back, Shawn Mendes

Top Albums
1. Paranoia: A True Story, Dave East
2. Science Fiction, Brand New
3. Project Baby 2, Kodak Black
4. Rainbow, Kesha
5. Vol. 2 Guardians of the Galaxy..., Various Artists
6. Painted Ruins, Grizzly Bear
7. Still Striving, A$AP Ferg
8. The Peace and the Panic, Neck Deep
9. All We Know of Heaven, All We ..., PVRIS
10. Until My Voice Goes Out, Josh Abbott Band

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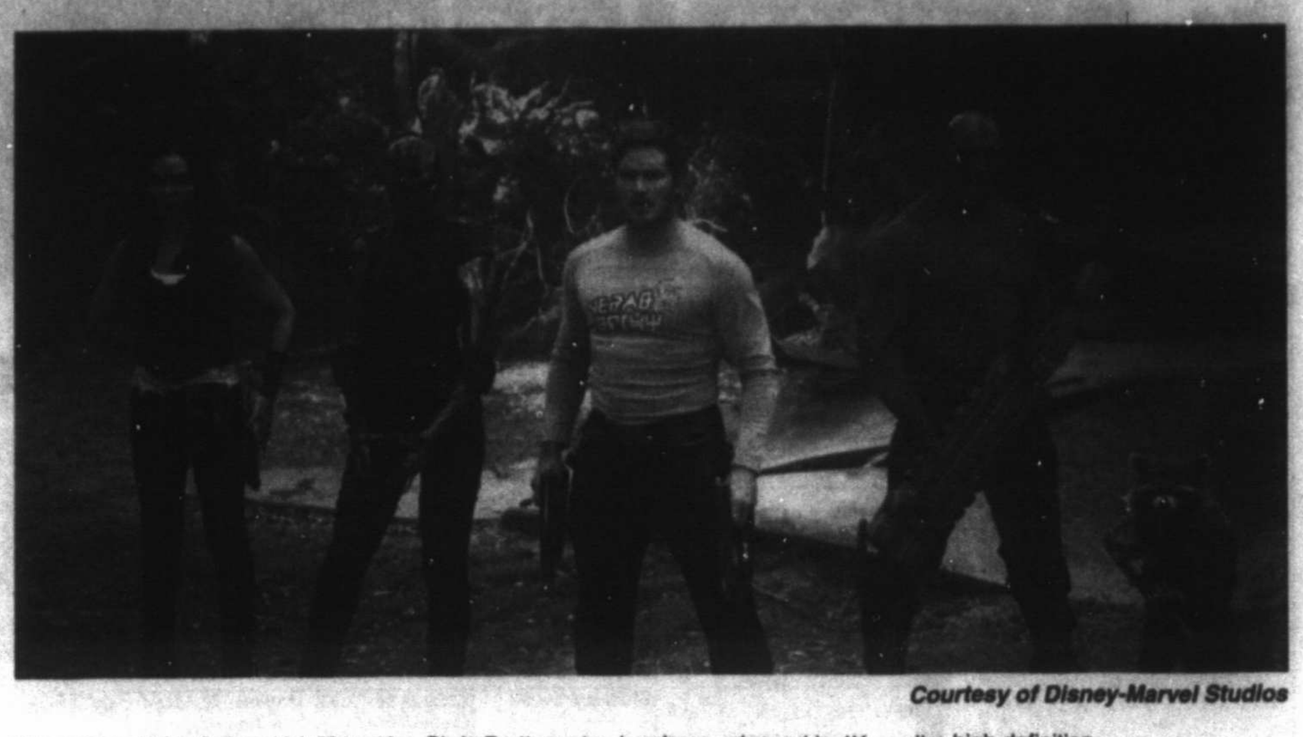
Superhero movies are shifting to ultra high definition

■ ANALYSIS

By David Betancourt
Washington Post



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"Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2" starring Chris Pratt, center, has been released in 4K — ultra high definition.

The Guardians of the Galaxy are taking Marvel Studios to a place they've never been before: the world of ultra high definition.

"Guardians of the Galaxy Vol 2," available now on Blu-Ray and digitally, is Marvel Studios first home video release in 4K, the format that's the next level up in terms of picture quality, and is available on many of the newest TVs and Blu-Ray players — but only for the shows and movies that offer it.

It's the one area where Marvel Studios has been behind the pack in the world of superhero cinema. 20th Century Fox's last three "X-Men" films ("X-Men: First Class," "X-Men: Days of Future Past," and "X-Men: Apocalypse") as well as Hugh Jackman's last performance as Wolverine, "Logan," have all been released in 4K on home video. Warner Bros. and DC Entertainment have released "Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice," "Suicide Squad," and the upcoming fall release of "Wonder Woman" in 4K as well.

There's also Netflix, which offers its Marvel (not affiliated with Marvel Studios, the film arm) shows ("Daredevil," "Jessica Jones," "Luke Cage," "Iron Fist," and "The Defenders") to stream in 4K.

So Marvel Studios is late to the party, which could be for a number of reasons. It's owned by Disney, which has been cautious about the format, as it has not yet put any of its classic animated movies or recent live-action adaptations in the 4K format on home video just yet. Disney could be waiting to see if home audiences care about the quality difference and actually buy the necessary products, including a 4K television and a 4K Blu-ray player.

Marvel Studios and Disney also have had to consider younger fans who likely consume their superhero entertainment on their phones and tablets. Some mobile devices have 4K streaming capability and more might have it in the future — but their young users are not so likely to want to purchase a 4K Blu-ray disk. Younger viewers may be drawn into the format if their video game console offers a built in 4K player (like the Xbox One), but otherwise it might not be high on their viewing radar.

4K viewing provides brighter and stronger colors. Details on those super-suits are more crisp. If you're a high definition junkie, the difference is noticeable and enjoyable.

We should now expect future Marvel Studios releases such as November's "Thor: Ragnarok" and next year's "Avengers: Infinity War" to also get the 4K treatment, and all of their current home video releases to eventually getting converted as well. And if Disney gave the OK for Marvel Studios to go 4K, could its "Star Wars" video library be far behind? Perhaps this December's "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" will have a 4K release on home video in 2018.

The viewing future of Marvel Studios home entertainment releases and possibly others under the Disney umbrella (we mean you, Kylo Ren) is now brighter and a whole lot more clear.

CLOUD

From 2B

1,600 people, up from just 400 three years ago. That makes Facebook one of the fastest-growing technology companies — outside of Amazon, anyway — in the city.

While Facebook employees work on a wide range of products in Seattle, the office has developed a specialty in the geeky realm of systems software.

About a quarter of the Facebook engineers in Seattle work on the company's infrastructure projects, the tools to transmit, store and analyze the growing heap of data people feed into the social network.

That's a common trade in the region, where Amazon Web Services, Microsoft and Google are all building their own clouds — giant, globe-straddling networks of data centers and the software that manages them.

Facebook could have built its products on computing power rented from those cloud giants, but it decided to build its own tools, from custom hardware designs all the way to mobile applications. Supporting Facebook's network are nine massive data centers — a 10th, in Ohio, was announced earlier this month.

Facebook's cloud is different from the others' in that it's designed to support just one customer: Facebook's own apps.

They happen to be some of the most widely used pieces of software in the world — and their use keeps expanding.

Verma is an Indian-born engineer who got his start at IBM before moving to Microsoft, where he worked most recently on Windows file systems. He joined Facebook in 2015.

By then, the Seattle office had come to pilot Facebook's storage-software efforts. "We could find some very good engineers here," he said. "And so a bunch of these projects started, and just got momentum from there."

His team's job, he said, is to be invisible to Facebook's product groups, letting the company's other engineers build whatever they can think up on top of a reliable foundation.

But a wave of new services, and the rapid growth in the number and quality of videos and photos that people share, is putting a huge burden on the network's infrastructure.

Facebook in January 2016 started a monthslong rollout of live video streaming, a milestone in the social network's effort to compete with popular streaming services.

Then Instagram Stories, aimed at competing with the ephemeral photo-sharing application Snapchat, launched last August, and quickly made its way to 250 million monthly users. (Facebook bought Instagram in 2012.)

Up next: live video broadcasts on Instagram, called Live Stories, a feature the product group hoped to launch before Thanksgiving.

Verma's team wasn't sure its systems could meet that deadline, and negotiated a few days of delay on the planned start date. After scrambling, the team scraped together the internal storage space needed to accommodate the new feature, which went live Nov. 21.

"We looked very hard at our capacity, everywhere," Verma said. "We scrounged everything we could, looked at nooks and crannies."

One of the people doing the looking was J.R. Tipton, a manager on Verma's team.

Tipton left the Chicago suburbs and came to Seattle in 2001 for the same reason as thousands of others in the 1990s and 2000s: a job offer from Microsoft.

Fifteen years later, he became part of another phenomenon reshaping the region, opting to leave maturing Microsoft for a job with a younger tech giant in the area.

"I wanted an adventure," Tipton said of his move to Facebook last year.

Tipton and Verma are among the 640 people at Facebook in Seattle who, on LinkedIn, list past experience at Microsoft.

Seattle, home to Boeing's legions of engineers long before Microsoft came along, has never really been a one-company town. But the range of options for technologists has ballooned in the last decade, with Amazon uncorking another Microsoft-like growth spurt, and Silicon Valley giants seeding local outposts to scoop up some of the talented software developers here.

When Facebook set up shop in Seattle in 2010, it was the company's first U.S. engineering office outside its Menlo Park, California, headquarters. Last year, Facebook Seattle, which then numbered about 1,000, moved into nine floors of custom-designed office space. That was followed in short order by two more leases that would give the company enough space for about 5,000 employees in Seattle.

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back-to-back largest, that tells me there was a game changer," said Richard Retting, a former traffic safety commissioner for the New York City Department of Transportation who worked on the report. "I don't think it's a leap of faith when you look at the increase in cellphone usage."

The Honolulu law will go into effect in October. Fines will start at $15 and go as high as $99 for multiple violations. There are a few details to work out before the Stamford Board of Representatives will take its vote, including what burdens enforcing the ordinance would put on the local police force.

Other cities have tried different approaches, with the Los Angeles Police Department launching a "look up, phone down" public information campaign and Augsburg, Germany, embedding traffic signals into sidewalks so people hunched over mobile devices can spot them.

Laws, though, can change behavior, according to Retting.

"It's not so much about a draconian measure that has cops hiding behind lamposts, waiting to give people $200 tickets for looking at their phones," he said. "It shifts what the social norm is in terms of what's safe."

ROBOT

From 2B

an interior environment," Keay said.

RED IN FRUSTRATION

On the sidewalks, the River Oaks District robot greets shoppers with "Good morning," or "Good afternoon." It engages with a few other phrases, but those who linger too long snapping photos occasionally prompt its blue lights to turn red in frustration.

"It's very polite," Hare said. "But we see it get mad all the time on camera."

DISNEY

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The first Force Friday promotion in 2015, tied to "The Force Awakens," sparked a sevenfold increase in online sales of Star Wars toys for the month of September. The studio drummed up excitement for new action figures and toys with a global unwrapping of Star Wars merchandise on YouTube and coverage on ABC's "Good Morning America." The movie went on to become the top-grossing U.S. movie ever.

While toy sales soared, Disney faced a backlash for failing to adequately include Rey, the film's female lead character, in action-figure sets and themed games such as Monopoly. Disney underestimated demand, and the shortage was compounded by a limited rollout of new merchandise designed to avoid revealing too much about the new Star Wars hero.

This time around, Rey features centrally in the promotions, and the company is working hard to avoid shortages.

"This film is focused on Rey and that is reflected on the consumer product side," Southern said. "She is front and center."

In "The Last Jedi," Daisy Ridley reprises the role of Rey, rejoined by John Boyega as Finn, Adam Driver as the villain Kylo Ren and Oscar Isaac as Poe Dameron. Mark Hamill returns as Luke Skywalker. The film is expected to open with North American weekend sales of $230 million and go on to generate $1.7 billion to $2 billion globally, according to Shawn Robbins, chief analyst at BoxOfficePro.com.

"The Last Jedi" is the third film Disney has made from the George Lucas action series. The first, "The Force Awakens," generated $936.7 million in the U.S. and Canada, unseating "Avatar" as the domestic record holder, and brought in more than $2 billion worldwide, according to Box Office Mojo.

"Rogue One: A Star Wars Story" was the first of potentially three stand-alone stories. Released in December 2016, it generated a more modest $1.06 billion worldwide and was the No. 2 release of the year.

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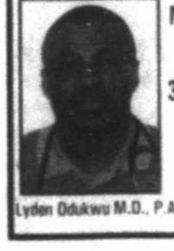
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Japan beats Lufkin 12-2 for LLWS title

By Matt Martell and Jack Dougherty
Associated Press

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Tsubasa Tomii buckled down after allowing two first-inning home runs and Japan hit three homers in the fourth and won the Little League World Series title with a 12-2 victory over Lufkin on Sunday.

Keitaro Miyahara laced a two-run triple with two outs in the second to tie it at 2, and hit a solo shot in the fourth after fouling a ball off his foot earlier in the at-bat. Daisuke Hashimoto and Natsuki Yajima also homered in the fourth.

Tomii cruised through the final four innings and finished with nine strikeouts.

After starter Chip Buchanan was pulled in the fourth inning, Lufkin had trouble getting outs and the game was stopped in the fifth inning after Japan went ahead by 10 on Yajima's single to right field to score Seiya Arai.

The title marks the 11th time a team from Japan has won the Little League World Series, five of which have come in the last eight years. Tokyo Kitasuna, the club representing Japan this season, has won three of the last six.

Lufkin had a six-run comeback victory over Greenville, North Carolina, in the U.S. championship game Saturday to reach the final. And early on, it looked as though the team's momentum would carry through the championship.

Japan had allowed only one run in the tournament heading into Sunday's game, but that changed when Chandler Spencer crushed the first pitch over the left-center field fence.

Hunter Ditsworth cracked an opposite-field homer down the right-field line to put Lufkin up 2-0 with one out in the first. But after Miyahara's triple in the second, Ryusei Fujiwara fisted a single to right to bring Miyahara home and make the score 3-2.

Japan added the final five runs in the fifth inning, which also was highlighted by Miyahara's two-run double.

A REAL CHAMP: Champ Pederson, who was born with Down Syndrome, was enshrined as a member of the 2017 Little League

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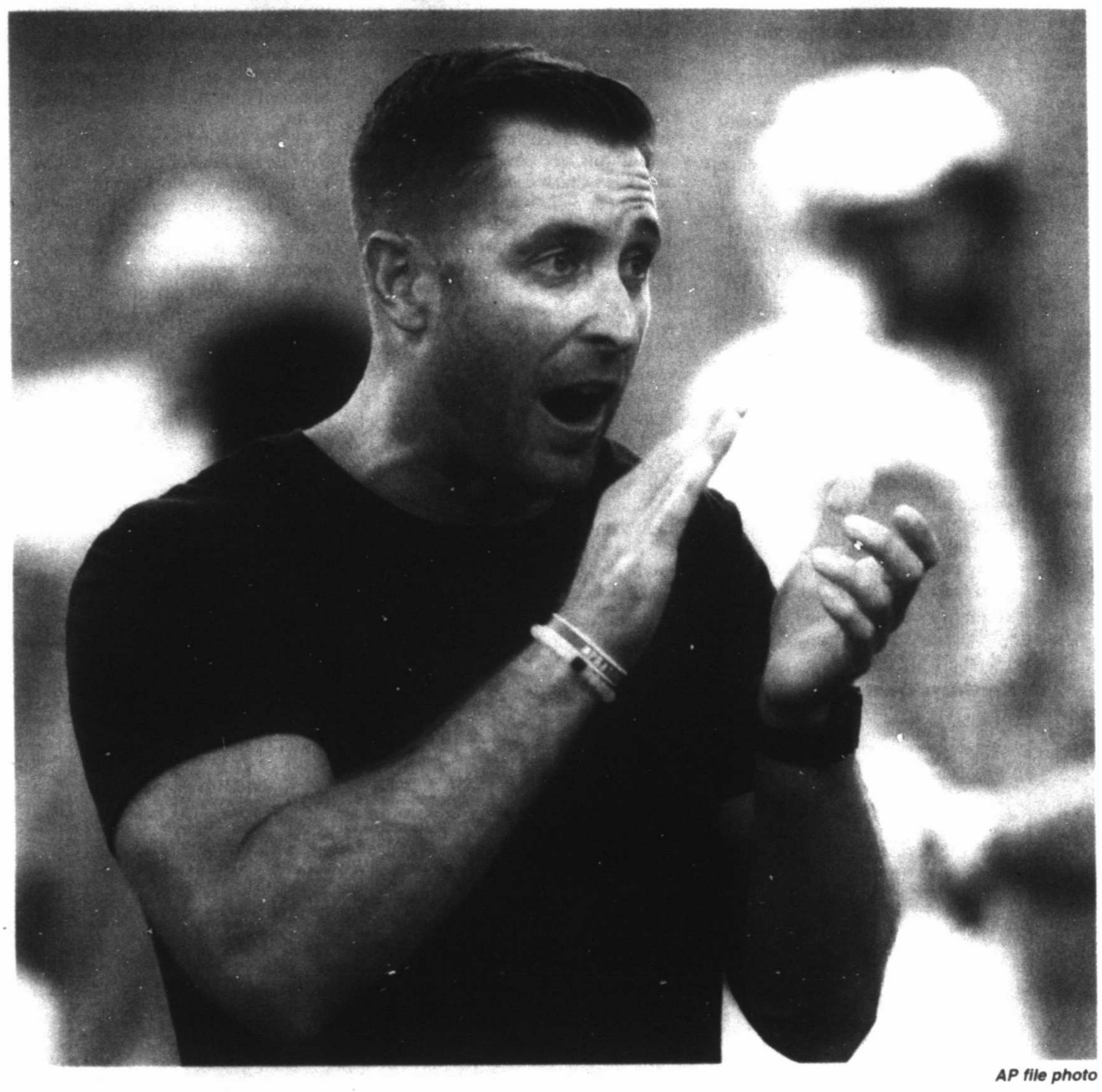
Japan players celebrate after winning the Little League World Series Championship baseball game against Lufkin on Sunday in South Williamsport, Pa.

Carrying on a legacy



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Texas Tech head coach Kliff Kingsbury applauds as his team warms up prior to a game in 2016 in Tempe, Ariz. Leach's former Tech quarterbacks are gaining prominence as coaches at Big 12 programs. Lincoln Riley recently was promoted from offensive coordinator to head coach at Oklahoma. Kingsbury has been the head coach at Texas Tech since 2013, and his offenses have been nearly unstoppable. Sonny Cumbie is entering his fourth season as TCU's co-offensive coordinator, and his units with quarterback Trevone Boykin were among the best in college football.

Leach's ex-Tech QBs thriving as Big 12 coaches

By Cliff Brunt
Associated Press

NORMAN, Okla. — While Mike Leach's Air Raid offense was posting astonishing numbers at Texas Tech, he didn't realize he also was helping mold a group of young coaches who would use the system to frustrate Big 12 defenses for years to come.

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All three were on the Red Raiders team that won the 2002 Tangerine Bowl. Kingsbury, the oldest, just turned 38.

Leach said he doesn't think about it much — he's still coaching at Washington State, where his system is now challenging Pac-12 defenses. Asked to reflect, his pride shows.

"I get asked once in a while about them," he said in a phone interview with The Associated Press. "I got to work with some really quality guys. I'm thrilled they have gone on to have success."

Riley, who will turn 34 in September, is the youngest coach in the Bowl Subdivision. His Oklahoma offense set an FBS record for passing efficiency last season, and the Sooners ranked second nationally in total offense and third in scoring. Quarterback Baker Mayfield and receiver Dede Westbrook were Heisman Trophy finalists.

Kingsbury's Texas Tech squad led the nation in total offense and passing offense last season, and quarterback Patrick Mahomes was the 10th overall pick in the NFL draft.

TCU's offense fell off a bit last season, but Cumbie, who just turned 36, is a proven commodity. In 2014, the Horned Frogs ranked second nationally in scoring offense and fifth in total offense, and in 2015, they ranked third nationally in total offense and seventh in scoring.

It all started with Leach's incredible run at Tech. From 2000-09, his offenses led the nation in passing six times and total yards three times. Kingsbury led

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Smiles all around as Mayweather, McGregor savor fight

By Tim Dahlberg
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Conor McGregor was drinking Irish whiskey and acting like he had won. Floyd Mayweather Jr. was reminiscing about his early days as a fighter and looking forward to a different kind of business at his strip club.

There were smiles all around, and with good reason. They pulled off an audacious gamble Saturday night, and all that was left to do was to count the money rolling in.

Mayweather estimated his take at $300-350 million. McGregor said he likely would clear $100 million, and said he had his accountants on speed dial to make sure it was all collected.

Fans of both boxing and mixed martial arts had to be happy, too. They got a reasonably entertaining fight that settled nothing about the two sports but embarrassed neither fighter.

"I enjoyed it very, very much," McGregor said. "It was an honor for me to showcase my skills."

They go their separate ways now, after a fight that had a little something for everyone. Mayweather won by battering McGregor around late until it was stopped in the 10th round, but in reality McGregor was a big winner too.

He was reasonably competent as a boxer in his first pro fight. He actually controlled the first few rounds, and was never off his feet despite taking a beating in the late rounds.

Mayweather eventually figured him out, and exposed him for the boxing novice he was. McGregor didn't become king of boxing like he predicted before the fight, but he won millions of new fans and will now likely return to the UFC as its unquestioned star.

And Mayweather?

Well, 50-0 has a nice ring to it, passing the 49-0 record of Rocky Marciano that serves as a benchmark in the sport. He got a knockout that helped erase the stain from his fight with Manny Pacquiao two

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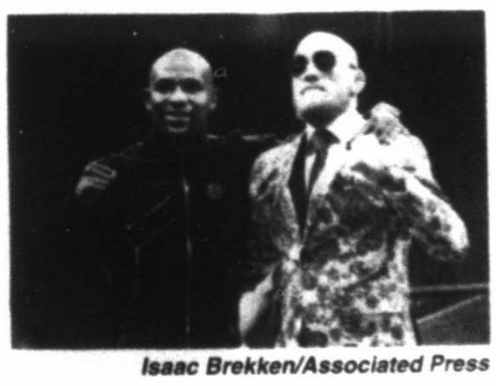

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Floyd Mayweather Jr., left, and Conor McGregor pose during a news conference after a super welterweight boxing match Sunday in Las Vegas.

Fendrich on Tennis: Missing stars, US Open looks to future

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

■ ANALYSIS

NEW YORK — After a bunch of bad news about big names missing the U.S. Open, the folks who run the tournament are searching for a silver lining. Who could blame 'em?

They figure there's no time like the present to promote the future stars of tennis.

At least Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal still will be in the field when play begins Monday, although even that didn't quite work out for the U.S. Tennis Association and its TV partners. The presence of the two greats — and the tantalizing prospect of what could be their transcendent rivalry's first installment at Flushing Meadows — is not as enticing as it could have been, because the luck of the draw set up the bracket so they only could meet in a semifinal, not the final.

There's a significant drop-off in wattage from there: An event already without the sport's top woman, 23-time major champion Serena Williams (she is pregnant), will be contested without three of the top five members of the men's rankings, and five of the top 11.

Andy Murray, the 2012 champion and No. 2 seed, became the latest to pull out when he unexpectedly withdrew Saturday, citing an injured hip that could sideline him for the remainder of the season. That followed withdrawals by reigning champion Stan Wawrinka and the man he beat in last year's final, Novak Djokovic, a two-time champion and five-time runner-up in New York. Also absent: 2014 U.S. Open runner-up Kei Nishikori, meaning just one of the 2016 men's semifinalists returns, and 2016 Wimbledon runner-up Milos Raonic.

"We want the players to do what's best for them in terms of their bodies and their health. But we know one thing: Somebody's got to win the tournament," tournament spokesman Chris Widmaier said in an interview. "And we think tennis fans are going to see a lot of new, exciting young talent."

To that end, Widmaier said, the

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US Open, Noon, ESPN
US Open, 5 p.m., ESPN2
ON RADIO
TEXAS LEAGUE BASEBALL
Frisco at Midland, 6:30 p.m., KCRS 97.5 FM, 550 AM

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
DETROIT TIGERS — Placed DH Victor Martinez on the 10-day DL. Recalled OF JaCoby Jones from Toledo (IL).
National League
CINCINNATI REDS — Purchased the contract of RHP Tyler Mahle from Louisville (IL). Transferred RHP Scott Feldman to the 60-day DL. Optioned RHP Luke Farrell to Louisville.
American Association
CLEBURNE RAILROADERS — Released RHP Joe Jones.
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Released RHP Zach Aring.
ST. PAUL SAINTS — Released RHP Matt Schuld.
WICHITA WINGNUTS — Released OF Tyler Sullivan.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
DETROIT LIONS — Signed DT Derrick Lott. Placed DT Jordan Hill on injured reserve.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released TE Matt Lengel and DE Caleb Kidder.
NEW YORK GIANTS — Claimed CB Tay Glover-Wright off waivers from Philadelphia. Waived/injured DE Evan Schwan.
NEW YORK JETS — Acquired S Terrence Brooks from Philadelphia for CB Dexter McDougle. Claimed DE Kony Ealy off waivers from New England. Waived/injured DL Anthony Johnson.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Agreed to terms with D Will Butcher on a two-year, entry-level contract.

TENNIS
Tennis Integrity Unit
TIU — Suspended Romanian player Marius Firsa eight months and fined him $1,000 after having three online betting accounts, through which 12 bets were placed on tennis between July 2014 and June 2015.

COLLEGE
KENT STATE — Announced football coach Paul Haynes is taking a medical leave of absence and offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach Don Treadwell will serve as interim head coach.
LANDER — Named Taylor Braselton assistant softball coach. Cameron Tekker assistant student baseball coach and Brett Hash assistant volunteer baseball coach.
PRESBYTERIAN — Named Gil Walker assistant baseball coach and Marshall McDonald assistant volunteer baseball coach.
RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE — Named Sadie Campanella assistant women's tennis coach.

NFL PRESEASON

Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	13	19
New England	1	2	0	.333	77	86
Miami	1	2	0	.333	61	89
Buffalo	0	2	0	.000	26	37
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Jacksonville	1	2	0	.333	62	60
Indianapolis	1	2	0	.333	48	63
Houston	1	2	0	.333	44	63
Tennessee	1	2	0	.333	44	53
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Baltimore	3	0	0	1.000	67	19
Cleveland	3	0	0	1.000	43	29
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	.667	52	44
Cincinnati	1	2	0	.333	52	65
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	57	31
Kansas City	1	2	0	.333	60	65
Oakland	0	2	0	.000	31	44
L.A. Chargers	0	2	0	.000	24	61

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	3	1	0	.750	78	70
Philadelphia	2	1	0	.667	67	71
N.Y. Giants	1	2	0	.333	50	61
Washington	1	2	0	.333	43	61
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Carolina	2	1	0	.667	78	74
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	27	27
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	24	31
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	33	40
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Green Bay	2	1	0	.667	62	46
Chicago	2	1	0	.667	60	54
Minnesota	2	1	0	.667	62	61
Detroit	2	1	0	.667	68	46
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Seattle	3	0	0	1.000	94	43
L.A. Rams	2	1	0	.667	56	52
Arizona	2	2	0	.500	85	68
San Francisco	1	2	0	.333	72	82

Scores and schedule

Saturday's Scores
Chicago 19, Tennessee 7
Washington 23, Cincinnati 17
Minnesota 32, San Francisco 31

Thursday's Games
Cincinnati at Indianapolis, 6 p.m.
L.A. Rams at Green Bay, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Jacksonville at Atlanta, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Jets, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at New England, 6:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Baltimore at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Houston, 7 p.m.
Tennessee at Kansas City, 7:30 p.m.
Arizona at Denver, 8 p.m.
L.A. Chargers at San Francisco, 9 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 9 p.m.

WNBA GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Connecticut	20	11	.645	—
x-New York	20	12	.625	½
x-Washington	17	14	.548	3
Chicago	12	19	.387	8
Atlanta	12	20	.375	8½
Indiana	9	23	.281	11½
WESTERN CONFERENCE	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
x-Minnesota	24	7	.774	—
x-Los Angeles	24	8	.750	½
Phoenix	15	16	.484	9
Dallas	15	17	.469	9½
Seattle	14	17	.452	10
San Antonio	7	25	.219	17½

x-clinched playoff spot

Scores and schedule

Sunday's Scores
New York 92, Chicago 62
Los Angeles 78, Minnesota 67
Phoenix at Seattle, late

Today's Games
No games scheduled

MLS GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto FC	16	3	8	56	55	26
New York City FC	14	7	5	47	48	35
Columbus	13	12	3	42	42	42
Chicago	12	9	5	41	47	36
New York	12	10	3	39	38	33
Atlanta United FC	10	8	6	36	44	32
Montreal	10	9	6	36	42	41
Philadelphia	8	12	7	31	36	38
Orlando City	8	11	7	31	27	39
New England	8	12	5	29	39	41
D.C. United	8	15	4	28	22	44
WESTERN CONFERENCE	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pts**	**GF**	**GA**
Seattle	11	7	8	41	40	33
Kansas City	10	5	10	40	31	19
Portland	11	9	7	40	47	44
Houston	10	8	8	38	46	37
Vancouver	11	9	5	38	37	35
FC Dallas	9	7	9	36	37	33
San Jose	10	11	6	36	31	44
Real Salt Lake	10	13	5	35	40	48
Minnesota United	7	14	4	25	32	52
Los Angeles	6	14	5	23	32	47
Colorado	6	15	4	22	24	38

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

Scores and schedule

Saturday's Scores
Atlanta United FC 2, Philadelphia 2, tie
D.C. United 1, New England 0
Columbus 2, FC Dallas 1
Vancouver 2, Orlando City 1
Minnesota United 2, Chicago 1
Sporting Kansas City at Houston, ppd
Real Salt Lake 4, Colorado 1

Sunday's Scores
Toronto FC 3, Montreal 1
San Jose 3, Los Angeles 0
Portland at Seattle, late

Sept. 2
Chicago at Montreal, 6 p.m.
Orlando City at New England, 6 p.m.
New York at FC Dallas, 8 p.m.
Colorado at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Sept. 3
At Kyoto, Japan: Shun Kubo vs. Daniel Roman, 12, for Kubo's WBA World junior featherweight title.

Sept. 8
At The Joint at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas (SHO), David Benavidez vs. Ronald Gavril, 12, for the vacant WBC super middleweight title; J'Leon Love vs. Abraham Han, 10, super middleweights; Caleb Plant vs. Alan Campa, 10, super middleweights.

Sept. 9
At Berlin: Oleksandr Usyk vs. Marco Huck, 12, for Usyk's WBO World cruiserweight title.
At StubHub Center, Carson, Calif., Wisaksil Wangek vs. Roman Gonzalez, 12, for Gonzalez's WBC World super flyweight title; Naoya Inoue vs. Antonio Nieves, 12, for Inoue's WBO World super flyweight title; Carlos Cuadras vs. Juan Francisco Estrada, 12, super flyweights.

Sept. 13
At Osaka, Japan: Yukinori Oguni vs. Ryosuke Iwasa, 12, for Oguni's IBF junior featherweight title; Kosei Tanaka vs. Rangsan Chayanram, 12, for Tanaka's WBO World junior flyweight title.

Sept. 16
At Cebu City, Philippines, Milan Melindo vs. Heklole Budier, 12, for Melindo's IBF junior flyweight title.
At London, Billy Joe Saunders vs. Willie Monroe Jr., 12, for Saunders' WBO World middleweight title.
At Mobile Arena, Las Vegas (PPV), Gennady Golovkin vs. Canelo Alvarez, 12, for Golovkin's WBC World/WBA Super World/IBF/IBO middleweight titles; Diego De La Hoya vs. Randy Caballero, 12, junior featherweights; Antonio Orozco vs. Roberto Ortiz, 10, junior welterweights.

Sept. 22
At Convention Center, Tucson, Ariz., Oscar Valdez vs. Genesis Servania, 12, for Valdez's WBO World featherweight title; Gilberto Ramirez vs. Jessie Hart, 12, for Ramirez's WBO World super middleweight title.

Sept. 23
At Manchester, England: Joseph Parker vs. Hughie Fury, 12, for Parker's WBO World heavyweight title.
At the Forum, Inglewood, Calif. (HBO), Jorge Linares vs. Luke Campbell, 12, for Linares' WBA World lightweight title.

Sept. 26
At Cannery Casino & Hotel, Las Vegas (FS1), Eduard Ramirez vs. Leduan Barthelemy, 10, featherweights.

Sept. 30
At Riga, Latvia, Mairis Briedis vs. Mike Perez, 12 for Briedis' WBC World cruiserweight title

Oct. 5
At Mohegan Sun, Uncasville, Conn., Vaughn Alexander vs. Elvin Ayala, 10, middleweights.

Oct. 7
At Staples Center, Los Angeles (SHO), Leo Santa Cruz, vs. Abner Mares, 12, for Santa Cruz's WBA Super World featherweight title.

Oct. 14
At London, George Groves vs. Jamie Cox, 12, for Groves' WBA Super World super middleweight title.

Oct. 21
At Belfast, Northern Ireland, Ryan Burnett vs. Zhanat Zhakiyanov, 12, for Burnett's IBF and Zhakiyanov's WBA Super World bantamweight titles.

Oct. 22
At Tokyo, Hassan N'Dam vs. Ryota Murata, 12, for N'dam's WBA World middleweight title.

Oct. 31
At TBA, Las Vegas, Jessie Magdaleno vs. Cesar Juarez, 12, for Magdaleno's WBO World junior featherweight title; Artur Beterbiev vs. Enrico Koelling, 12, light heavyweights.

Texas teams' plans upended by Hurricane Harvey

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Houston Astros and Texas Rangers won't travel to Houston as planned after their games Sunday in California because of torrential floodwaters that have engulfed the city in the wake of Hurricane Harvey.

The Rangers had been scheduled to head to Houston after playing Oakland to await the start of a three-game series with the Astros beginning Tuesday. Instead, they'll return to Dallas to await word on its status. The Astros are in Anaheim and also will fly to Dallas while a decision is made on when and where the series will be played.

"We have been in continuous contact with the Astros and Major League Baseball regarding travel tonight and the status of this week's series," Rangers president and general manager Jon Daniels said. "We will continue to talk throughout the day to get updates on the situation."

Astros manager A.J. Hinch said the team was in a holding pattern.

"We're going to fly to Dallas and really just sit there and wait to see what happens," he said before Houston's game against the Angels. "Really, I think everything is up in the air. We might get to Houston sometime in the next couple of days and play. We might not, so I don't know what's possible."

MLB spokesman Michael Teevan said officials who handle scheduling are communicating with the teams and monitoring the situation.

While Hinch knows there is interest in when and where the Astros will play, he was quick to point out that they're far more worried about what the storm has done to Houston than anything related to baseball.

"The most important thing is (that) baseball is secondary right now," he said. "Our schedule, our flight times, where we're going to be, the buses, like all that stuff is meaningless compared to what everybody is suffering through."

Texas manager Jeff Banister echoed Hinch's sentiments.

"The best thing for all of us is to allow them to survive through this, understanding that when all this water recedes and it's gone, there's still a monumental challenge for all of them, the cleanup and kind to assess where they're at," he said. "This is not a situation where we put baseball in front of what's important for these people. So for us to have to defer and go somewhere else, it's no issue for us."

Some have suggested that this week's series with the Rangers could be moved to Arlington. If it is, it wouldn't be the first time home games in Houston have been moved to another park because of a hurricane.

In the wake of Hurricane Ike in 2008, MLB moved two games with the Chicago Cubs to Milwaukee, about 95 miles from Chicago, effectively making the contests home games for the Cubs. Chicago won both of those games, with Carlos Zambrano throwing a no-hitter in the first one, leaving the Astros furious about the move.

The Rangers and Astros were just the latest teams to change their travel plans because of the storm, which settled over the Texas coastline Saturday before sending devastating floods pouring into the nation's fourth-largest city.

The NFL's Texans flew to Dallas after their preseason game Saturday in New Orleans instead of returning home and have said they'll stay there until conditions improve enough for them to come back to Houston. They'll practice at the suburban practice facility of the Cowboys on Monday and said they will provide details on their schedule for the rest of the week later.

They are scheduled to host the Cowboys at NRG Stadium on Thursday, but that game could be in jeopardy with massive flooding in the city and rain continuing to fall.

While in Dallas waiting out the storm, Texans star J.J. Watt started a fund-raising page to help raise money for victims of the storm. By Sunday afternoon the page had already raised more than $110,000.

Johnson pulls off a stunner over Spieth in Northern Trust

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

OLD WESTBURY, N.Y. — Dustin Johnson faced long odds all day against Jordan Spieth until the longest drive led to an unlike playoff victory Sunday in The Northern Trust.

Johnson rallied from a five-shot deficit on the front nine. And on the final hole in regulation, after one of the most powerful players in golf chose to lay up from the rough, his 18-foot par putt swirled around the cup and fell in the back side for a 4-under 66 to force a sudden-death playoff.

Returning to the 18th hole, Johnson felt the wind switch and took on the lake with a 341-yard tee shot — the longest of the week on that hole — that left him a lob wedge that he hit to 4 feet.

Spieth, who already made his share of big putts along the back nine at Glen Oaks, hit 7-iron to the back collar and missed his 25-foot birdie putt. Johnson rolled in his short birdie putt for his fourth victory of the year.

Spieth, who closed with a 69, lost for the first time in six tries when leading by at least two shots. There wasn't much he could do except take back that tee shot into the water on the par-3 sixth hole after building a five-shot lead. Johnson played bogey-free in the final round, and played his final 29 holes at par or better.

"I didn't lose the tournament," Spieth said. "He won it."

The opening FedEx Cup playoff event featured two of the biggest names in golf who put on an amazing show on Long Island.

"I thought that was a fun show," Spieth said. "I was hoping it wasn't going to be that much fun."

Johnson made up a five-shot deficit in five holes, and they battled along the back nine with big shots and big moments. They were tied on the par-3 17th when both hit into a bunker, and Johnson blasted out to 4 feet with an easier shot and angle to the hole. Spieth had 18 feet for par and knocked it in, like he always seems to do.

On the closing hole, Johnson showed the kind of golf I.Q. that belies his simple outlook on life. After he sliced his drive up the hill and into a nasty lie in the rough, he chose to lay up instead of trying to hammer a shot to an elevated green.

But he made it pay off with a par, that got him into the playoff after Spieth lagged a 75-foot putt perfectly to get his par.

They finished at 13-under 267.

Johnson won for the first time since he wrenched his back during a spill down the stairs that knocked him out of the Masters and derailed his dominance in golf. He had won three straight tournaments against strong fields until that injury.

"I feel like the game is finally back in form like it was before the Masters," Johnson said.

GOLF SCORES

Northern Trust

Sunday
At Glen Oaks Club
Old Westbury, N.Y.
Purse: $8.75 million
Yardage: 7,346; Par 70
Final
(x-won on first playoff hole)

x-Johnson (2,000), $1,575,000 65-69-67-66—267
J. Spieth (1,200), $945,000 69-65-64-69—267
Jon Rahm (650), $507,500 68-68-67-68—271
J. Vegas (650), $507,500 69-65-72-65—271
Paul Casey (440), $350,000 69-68-66-71—274
K. Chappell (355), $283,281 68-73-64-70—275
Jason Day (355), $283,281 69-71-68-67—275
W. Simpson (355), $283,281 73-66-71-65—275
J. Thomas (355), $283,281 68-69-69-69—275
P. Cantlay (249), $187,500 67-70-69-70—276
Matt Kuchar (249), $187,500 71-64-68-73—276
L. Oosthuizen (249), $187,500 67-72-68-69—276
Chez Reavie (249), $187,500 68-68-69-70—276
Justin Rose (249), $187,500 68-68-69-71—276
Robert Streb (249), $187,500 71-70-68-69—276
Bubba Watson (249), $187,500 67-68-71-70—276
C. Hoffman (196), $131,250 72-70-70-65—277
X. Schauffele (196), $131,250 71-66-72-68—277
H. Stenson (196), $131,250 69-72-67-69—277
Jason Dufner (164), $98,350 69-69-68-72—278
Rickie Fowler (164), $98,350 68-68-74-70—278
Martin Laird (164), $98,350 69-69-69-71—278
Patrick Reed (164), $98,350 70-67-68-75—278
H. Varner III (164), $98,350 67-70-71-70—278
Scott Brown (133), $69,781 66-74-67-72—279
Russell Henley (133), $69,781 64-72-70-73—279
Jason Kokrak (133), $69,781 71-69-70-69—279
Kyle Stanley (133), $69,781 70-71-72-66—279
Ernie Els (109), $58,188 69-73-70-68—280
D. Lingmerth (109), $58,188 71-68-68-73—280
Kevin Na (109), $58,188 71-71-69-69—280
C. Schwartzel (109), $58,188 70-70-71-69—280
Daniel Berger (94), $51,625 69-68-72-72—281
Martin Flores (78), $44,188 67-73-69-73—282
Whee Kim (78), $44,188 69-69-70-74—282
Luke List (78), $44,188 70-70-74-68—282
Rory McIlroy (78), $44,188 73-68-69-72—282
Pat Perez (78), $44,188 70-68-71-73—282
Camilo Villegas (78), $44,188 66-71-72-73—282
Lucas Glover (60), $35,875 69-71-72-71—283
Chris Kirk (60), $35,875 66-73-71-73—283
Geoff Ogilvy (60), $35,875 72-70-69-72—283
H. Swafford (44), $28,058 70-72-71-71—284
Vaughn Taylor (44), $28,058 71-70-75-68—284
Keegan Bradley (44), $28,058 68-70-66-80—284
Si Woo Kim (44), $28,058 72-69-70-73—284
Scott Stallings (44), $28,058 71-70-70-73—284
Kevin Tway (44), $28,058 70-71-70-73—284
Luke Donald (32), $21,595 71-71-72-71—285
Brooks Koepka (32), $21,595 72-68-73-72—285
Ryan Moore (32), $21,595 72-69-72-72—285
C.T. Pan (32), $21,595 70-69-69-77—285
Richy Werenski (32), $21,595 70-71-72-72—285
Wesley Bryan (22), $19,688 70-72-69-75—286
Tony Finau (22), $19,688 72-68-69-77—286
Kevin Kisner (22), $19,688 69-72-70-75—286
William McGirt (22), $19,688 69-71-74-72—286
Phil Mickelson (22), $19,688 72-68-71-75—286
Rod Pampling (22), $19,688 71-71-75-69—286
D.A. Points (22), $19,688 72-68-74-74—286
J.J. Spaun (22), $19,688 71-68-72-75—286
Ryan Blaum (17), $18,638 68-72-71-76—287
C. Howell III (17), $18,638 69-71-74-73—287
M. Hughes (17), $18,638 70-69-73-75—287
Grayson Murray (17), $18,638 72-68-71-76—287
Ian Poulter (15), $16,200 71-70-74-73—288
Chad Campbell (14), $17,938 70-71-70-79—289
M. Hoffmann (14), $17,938 71-69-70-79—289
Sean O'Hair (13), $17,675 72-70-76-74—292
Kelly Kraft (12), $17,500 67-74-78-76—295

Canadian Pacific Open

Sunday
At The Ottawa Hunt & Golf Club
Ottawa, Ontario
Purse: $2.25 million
Yardage: 6,419; Par 71
Final

Sung Hyun Park, $337,500 70-68-69-64—271
Mirim Lee, $209,305 68-71-68-68—275
Shanshan Feng, $101,211 68-70-68-68—274
Marina Alex, $101,211 66-70-70-68—274
Cristie Kerr, $101,211 70-67-68-69—274
In Gee Chun, $101,211 67-67-70-70—274
Nicole B. Larsen, $101,211 69-68-66-71—274
Jane Park, $51,389 72-69-68-65—275
Hyo Joo Kim, $51,389 69-70-70-66—275
Mo Martin, $51,389 69-67-67-72—275
Beatriz Recari, $42,962 69-69-70-68—276
B. M. Henderson, $36,564 74-69-63-71—277
Mi Jung Hur, $36,564 71-70-65-71—277
Stacy Lewis, $36,564 69-68-69-71—277
So Yeon Ryu, $36,564 69-68-69-71—277
Chella Choi, $29,229 72-68-70-68—278
Jennifer Song, $29,229 70-68-72-68—278
Caroline Masson, $29,229 69-70-69-70—278
Brittany Lincicome, $29,229 68-68-71-71—278
Megan Khang, $25,905 69-73-68-68—279
Amy Yang, $25,905 70-69-71-69—279
Yani Tseng, $21,535 71-70-71-68—280
Haru Nomura, $21,535 70-72-69-69—280
Joanna Klatten, $21,535 71-70-69-70—280
Pernilla Lindberg, $21,535 73-70-66-71—280
Sei Young Kim, $21,535 68-73-68-71—280
Christina Kim, $21,535 71-70-67-72—280
Angel Yin, $21,535 68-72-68-72—280
Nelly Korda, $21,535 71-70-66-73—280
Brittany Marchand, $16,964 73-67-72-69—281
Wei-Ling Hsu, $16,964 72-70-68-71—281
Holly Clyburn, $16,964 67-70-71-73—281
Caroline Hedwall, $16,964 71-68-68-74—281
Sandra Changkija, $14,099 71-72-71-68—282
Gaby Lopez, $14,099 73-69-71-69—282
Cheyenne Woods, $14,099 70-73-69-70—282
Jenny Shin, $14,099 71-70-70-71—282
Laetitia Beck, $14,099 72-71-67-72—282
Rachel Rohanna, $10,622 69-71-73-70—283
Pavarisa Yokuan, $10,622 68-74-70-71—283
Paula Creamer, $10,622 73-69-69-72—283
Azahara Munoz, $10,622 72-70-69-72—283
Madelene Sagstrom, $10,622 70-72-69-72—283
Candie Kung, $10,622 71-70-70-72—283
Moriya Jutanugarn, $10,622 70-71-69-73—283
Austin Ernst, $10,622 70-69-71-73—283
Sarah Jane Smith, $10,622 71-67-72-73—283
T. Suwannapura, $8,224 73-69-72-70—284
Morgan Pressel, $8,224 74-68-70-72—284
P.Thanapolboonyaras, $8,224 72-70-68-76—284
Santhiwiethanophong, $8,224 68-69-71-76—284
Marissa L Steen, $7,106 72-70-73-70—285
Ashleigh Buhai, $7,106 71-72-71-71—285
Ayako Uehara, $7,106 69-74-71-71—285
Jing Yan, $7,106 69-73-70-73—285
Minjee Lee, $7,106 70-73-68-74—285
Peiyun Chien, $6,304 69-72-72-73—286
Brittany Altomare, $6,304 74-69-69-74—286
Ryann O'Toole, $5,961 74-68-74-73—287
Min-G Kim, $5,617 70-71-74-73—288
Jacqui Concolino, $5,617 73-69-72-74—288
Lindy Duncan, $5,387 71-72-73-73—289
Min Lee, $5,158 73-68-77-72—290
Alison Lee, $5,158 71-72-71-76—290

LLWS

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Hall of Excellence class before the title game.

He's the first player from Little League's Challenger Division to get the honor. The Challenger Division is for youth with physical and mental challenges. Pederson threw out an honorary first pitch alongside former major leaguer Mark Teixeira and spoke to the crowd before the game. He encouraged both Lufkin and Japan to work hard in everything they do and refuse to let adversity stop them from doing what they love. After the speech, Pederson sprinted out to center field and climbed the wall to touch the bust of Howard J. Lamade, for whom the stadium is named.

MEXICO TAKES BRONZE: Mexico beat Greenville, North Carolina, 14-8 on Sunday in the third-place game. Twelve of 14 Reynoso hitters scored a run, and the teams combined for 14 runs in a 53-minute fourth inning. "I didn't think that we were going to make it this far," Greenville's Ashton Byars said. Byars hit his first home run of the tournament Sunday after promising his mom and dad he would knock one out of the park before the LLWS ended. Manager Brian Fields mixed in five pitchers who hadn't seen the mound all tournament. He said after the game he wanted all his players to experience the LLWS to its fullest.

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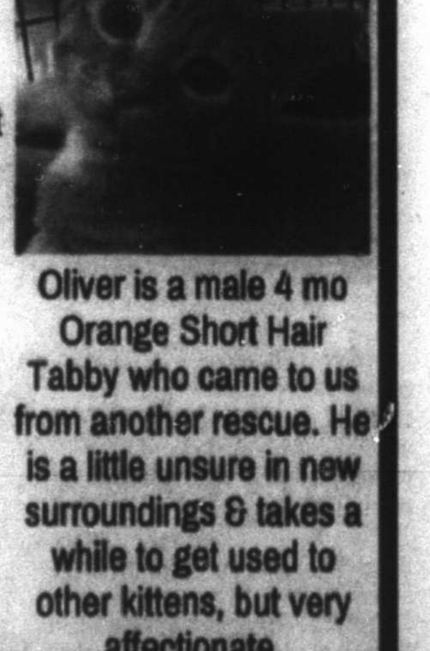

Oliver is a male 4 mo Orange Short Hair Tabby who came to us from another rescue. He is a little unsure in new surroundings & takes a while to get used to other kittens, but very affectionate.

McCann, Astros rally to beat Angels 7-5

By Josh Cooper
Associated Press

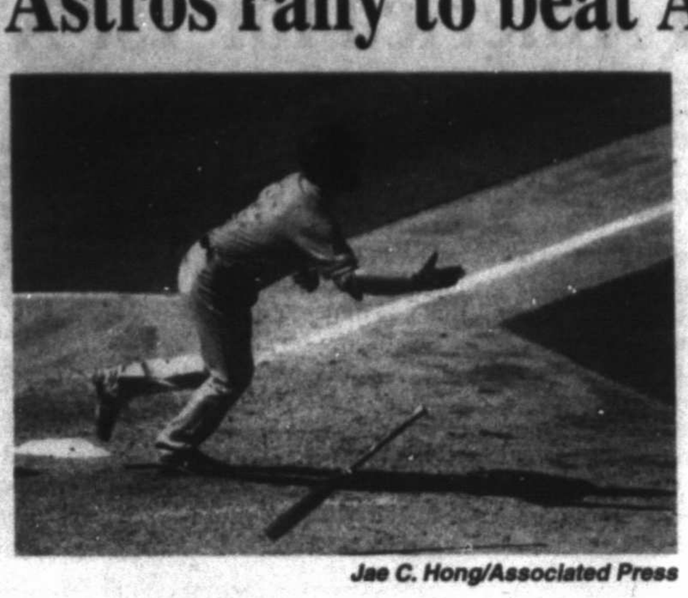
ANAHEIM, Calif. — Brian McCann tripled with the bases loaded in the eighth inning, and the Houston Astros beat the Los Angeles Angels 7-5 on Sunday.

Jose Altuve sparked the winning rally with a two-out single against Cam Bedrosian (3-3). Josh Reddick then singled and Yuli Gurriel walked before McCann's drive just got over a leaping Mike Trout in center field, giving Houston a 7-5 lead.

The Angels loaded the bases against Ken Giles in the ninth, but designated hitter Albert Pujols flied out to center field to end the game. Giles earned his 26th save.

McCann also singled in a run in the fourth, helping Houston to a 4-0 lead. Altuve connected for his 20th homer and Reddick finished with three hits.

The American League-leading Astros (79-51) took two of three in the weekend series while they worried about Hurricane Harvey's damage back home.



Jae C. Hong/Associated Press

Houston Astros' Brian McCann tosses his bat after hitting a three-run triple during the eighth inning of a baseball game against the Los Angeles Angels on Sunday in Anaheim, Calif.

"It's really sad to watch the scenes and see the news and we're glued to everything that's going on," manager A.J. Hinch said.

The Angels (66-65) fell 1 1/2 games back of Minnesota in the race for the second AL wild card.

Los Angeles erased a five-run deficit on its way to a 7-6 victory on Saturday night. It put together another big rally in the series finale.

Ben Revere got the Angels on the board with a three-run double in the fifth and Luis Valbuena belted a two-run homer against Joe Musgrove (6-8) in the sixth, making it 5-4 Los Angeles.

Houston right-hander Charlie Morton allowed three runs and four hits in five innings. Ricky Nolasco got the start for Los Angeles and was charged with four runs and six hits in six innings.

Trainer's room

Astros: Hinch said SS Carlos Correa (thumb) was expected to play Sunday for Triple-A Fresno. He has been out of the Houston lineup since July 17. ... RHP Will Harris (shoulder) was activated from the disabled list.

Angels: Manager Mike Scioscia said 3B Yunel Escobar (oblique) will begin a rehabilitation assignment Tuesday or Wednesday but didn't say exactly where.

Up next

Astros: RHP Mike Fiers (8-8, 4.17 ERA) is scheduled to pitch Tuesday at home against the Texas Rangers, provided the game isn't delayed because of Hurricane Harvey. Fiers pitched seven solid innings in a 6-1 win against Washington in his previous start on Wednesday.

Angels: LHP Andrew Heaney (0-0, 8.10 ERA) will make his third start of the season today against the Oakland Athletics.

ROCKHOUNDS REPORT

ROUGHRIDERS 9, ROCKHOUNDS 6, 10 INNINGS

At Security Bank Ballpark

TOP HITTERS: Four RoughRiders had two or more hits, led by Jose Cardona, who was 3-for-4 with a double, walk and a run scored. Teammate Scott Heineman was 3-for-6 with two runs scored, while Michael O'Neill and Luis Marte drove in three runs. ... For Midland, Tyler Ramirez was 2-for-3 with an RBI and a run scored. B.J. Boyd and Sheldon Neuse also had two hits for the RockHounds.

TOP PITCHERS: Frisco starter Ariel Jurado got a no decision but allowed two runs on six hits, two walks and struck out five over 6 2/3 innings. ... Midland starter James Naile also got a no decision after allowing three runs (one earned) on five hits, no walks and two strikeouts over six innings.

HIGHLIGHTS: Frisco had a 4-0 lead in the seventh when the RockHounds answered with four runs, two of which coming on a home run by Jorge Mateo. ... Frisco retook the lead, 5-4, on an RBI single by Jose Trevino in the top of the eighth. ... Midland answered in the bottom of the eighth when Jordan Tarsovich scored on a double play. ... Frisco took the lead for good with a four-run top of the 10th that was highlighted by a two-run triple by O'Neill.

NOTES: The RockHounds committed five errors which led to seven unearned runs. ... Frisco turned four double plays. ... Midland's Jorge Mateo has reached base in 11 straight games. ... The RoughRiders have won the first two games of this three-game series and will look for the sweep at 6:30 p.m. today.

TL standings

Second Half				
North Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Springfield	39	23	.629	—
Tulsa	39	23	.629	—
Arkansas	28	34	.452	11
Northwest Arkansas	25	37	.403	14
South Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	33	27	.550	—
Midland	29	31	.483	4
Frisco	27	35	.435	7
Corpus Christi	24	34	.414	8

Sunday's Scores
Corpus Christi at San Antonio, ppd.
Frisco 9, Midland 6, 10 innings
Arkansas 5, Northwest Arkansas 4
Tulsa 6, Springfield 5
Corpus Christi at San Antonio, ppd.

Today's Games
Frisco at Midland, 6:30 p.m.
Tulsa at Springfield, 6:30 p.m.
Arkansas at Northwest Arkansas, 7:05 p.m.
Corpus Christi at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.

TODAY'S PROBABLES:
Frisco - RHP Tyler Davis (3-2, 2.70 ERA); Midland - RHP Casey Meisner (4-3, 4.41).

ROUGHRIDERS 9, ROCKHOUNDS 6, 10 INNINGS

Frisco	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Cardona cf	4	1	3	0	Mateo ss	5	1	1	2
Kiner-Falefa 3b/c	5	1	1	1	Boyd cf	5	0	2	0
Heinman dh	6	2	3	0	Curtis dh	5	0	2	0
Aguilera 1b	5	0	0	0	Rosa 1b	4	0	1	0
Ibanez 2b	5	0	1	1	Tarsovich pr-3b	1	1	0	0
Trevino c	5	1	1	1	Sportman rf	4	1	1	0
Tendler rf	5	1	1	0	Schrock 2b	4	0	1	1
O'Neill lf	4	2	2	2	Neuse 3b-1b	5	0	2	0
Marte ss	3	1	2	2	Ramirez rf	3	1	2	1
					Murphy c	3	1	1	1
Totals	42	9	14	7	Totals	38	6	12	5

Frisco.....000 012 110 4—9
Midland.....000 000 410 1—6

E - Mateo 2 (4), Boyd 2 (3), Murphy (2). DP - Frisco 4, Midland 1. LOB - Frisco 9, Midland 7. 2B - Cardona (19), Kiner-Falefa (31), Neuse (3), Murphy (8). 3B - O'Neill 2 (4). HR - Mateo (2). S - Cardona, Marte. SF - Marte. SB - O'Neill.

Midland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Naile	6 0	5	3	1	0	2
Bragg	1 0	3	2	0	0	1
Finnegan	1 1	2	0	0	1	1
Stundvent L, 2-4	1 2	4	4	1	1	1
Frisco						
Jurado	6 2	6	2	2	2	5
Slack	0 0	3	2	2	0	0
Sadzeck	1 1	1	1	1	1	1
Feigl W, 1-1	1 0	0	0	0	0	0
Garrett	1 0	2	1	1	0	1

WP - Slack. Naile. HBP - by Finnegan (O'Neill), by Sadzeck (Schrock), by Garrett (Curtis).
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Choo homers but Rangers do little else in loss to A's

By Michael Wagaman
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Texas starter A.J. Griffin gave up back-to-back home runs in the second inning and retired only 10 batters, and the Oakland Athletics beat the Rangers 8-3 on Sunday to complete a three-game sweep.

Shin-Soo Choo hit his 16th home run and the Rangers added an unearned run but managed little else against A's starter Jharel Cotton and three relievers.

The loss dropped Texas three games behind Minnesota for the second AL wild card.

Adding to the Rangers' woes was uncertainty over where they'll play next.

Texas is scheduled to begin a three-game series against the Astros in Houston on Tuesday, but those plans were on hold because of severe flooding resulting from Hurricane Harvey. The Rangers will fly to Dallas — as will the Astros — until Major League Baseball figures out what to do.

Griffin (6-5) beat the A's on April 17 but didn't last long against his former club this time. The right-hander allowed three runs on five hits, struck out three and walked three before manager Jeff Banister pulled him after Griffin gave up a one-out double to Bruce Maxwell in the fourth.

The Rangers didn't offer much offensive support.

Choo's home run marked the first time someone other than Adrian Beltre had an RBI against the A's in the series. Elvis Andrus added a run-scoring single in the eighth but Mike Napoli lined into an inning-ending double play with the bases loaded.

Cotton (7-10) matched his career high of nine strikeouts, allowed one unearned run and pitched four-hit ball over six innings to win consecutive starts for the second time this season.

Blake Treinen retired five batters for his seventh save.

Matt Olson, the A's rookie first baseman who spent most of the year in the minors, hit his ninth home run in 35 games off Griffin in the second. Two pitches later, Matt Chapman connected for his 10th.

Trainer's room

Rangers: LHP Jake Diekman will pitch for Triple-A Round Rock on Monday while continuing a comeback from three abdominal operations.

Athletics: INF Jed Lowrie exited with a bruised left shin in the sixth. RHP Paul Blackburn is scheduled for an MRI on his right hand. Blackburn was hit by a line drive off the bat of Baltimore's Trey Mancini on Tuesday.

Up next

Rangers: LHP Martin Perez (9-10, 5.00 ERA) is scheduled to start the series opener against the Astros following an off day Monday. Perez has won four straight after dropping three consecutive games.

Athletics: RHP Daniel Gossett (3-6, 5.49) continues his up-and-down season Monday at the Los Angeles Angels.

MLB ROUNDUP

American League

TWINS 7
BLUE JAYS 2

TORONTO — Byron Buxton homered three times and set a career high with five RBIs, powering the Twins to the win.

Buxton had four hits, scored four runs and stole a base in his first career multihomer game. Kyle Gibson (8-10) pitched into the seventh inning as Minnesota earned a rare series victory north of the border.

INDIANS 12
ROYALS 0

CLEVELAND — Yan Gomes hit a grand slam to highlight Cleveland's nine-run second inning, and the AL Central-leading Indians completed a three-game shutout sweep.

Carlos Carrasco (13-6) allowed six hits in seven innings, and the Indians, who haven't given up a run in 28 innings, outscored the Royals 20-0 in the series.

It's the first time Cleveland has posted three straight shutouts since 1956.

Kansas City hasn't scored in 34 consecutive innings, a team record and the longest drought in the majors this season.

Royals left-hander Eric Skoglund (1-2) was charged with seven runs and seven hits in 1 1/3 innings.

YANKEES 10
MARINERS 1

NEW YORK — Masahiro Tanaka finally flourished under the sun. Starlin Castro had four hits and the Yankees took advantage of a record five errors by the Mariners in the first inning.

Mariners shortstop Jean Segura committed three early miscues — two on one play. Third baseman Kyle Seager and left fielder Ben Gamel also botched balls as the Yankees scored six runs, one earned, in the first inning against Andrew Albers (2-1).

That made it an unusually easy afternoon for Tanaka (10-10), who entered 0-6 with an 11.81 ERA in seven starts during the day this season. He struck out 10 while pitching seven innings of one-run ball.

National League

DIAMONDBACKS 11
GIANTS 0

PHOENIX — Patrick Corbin pitched seven-plus innings in his fourth straight win. J.D. Martinez homered twice and Arizona pulled away for the victory.

Paul Goldschmidt, Martinez and Daniel Descalso hit consecutive homers in Arizona's nine-run eighth inning. The Diamondbacks swept the three-game series and have won six of seven, maintaining a 1 1/2-game lead over Colorado for the top NL wild card.

METS 6
NATIONALS 5

WASHINGTON — Amed Rosario hit a tiebreaking homer in the eighth inning and the Mets cut down the potential tying run at the plate for the final out in the first game of a day-night doubleheader.

With two outs in the ninth and pitcher Edwin Jackson pinch-running at first base, ex-Met Daniel Murphy sent a sharp grounder into right-center field for a double. When rookie right fielder Travis Taijeron booted the ball, Jackson was waved around third.

RAYS 3
CARDINALS 2, 10 INNINGS

ST. LOUIS — Logan Morrison hit his second homer of the game in the 10th inning, sending Tampa Bay to the road win.

Morrison drove a 97-mph fastball from Sam Tuivailala (3-3) into the right-center field bleachers with one out in the 10th for his 31st homer.

Sergio Romo (3-1) got three outs and Alex Colome worked a scoreless 10th for his major league-leading 39th save in 44 chances.

MIDLAND CONNECTIONS TO PRO BASEBALL

Here is an update of baseball players from Midland or players with a Midland connection who are active and playing professional baseball.

Through Aug. 26
Pitchers

Logan Bawcom (Greenwood, Midland College), RHP, Nashville Sounds (Oakland A's Triple-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
9	14.1	0-2	0	13	5	5	3	8	3.14

El Paso Chihuahuas (San Diego Padres Triple-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
36	53.1	1-3	2	48	23	16	25	54	2.70

Matt Withrow (Midland Christian), RHP, Florida Fire Hogs (Atlanta Braves Advanced-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
4	15.1	0-0	0	10	3	3	5	16	1.76

Mississippi Braves (Atlanta Braves Double-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
10	48.1	1-3	0	39	26	24	22	44	4.47

GLC Braves (Atlanta Braves Rookie)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
1	5.0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.00

Carson Smith (Midland Christian), RHP, Pawtucket Red Sox (Boston Red Sox Triple-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
7	6.1	1-0	0	5	2	2	2	6	2.84

Portland Sea Dogs (Boston Red Sox Double-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
1	0.1	0-1	0	0	2	2	3	0	54.00

Thomas McIlraith (Midland College), RHP, Columbia Fireflies (New York Mets Single-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
4	24.1	2-1	0	19	7	6	8	15	2.22

St. Lucie Mets (New York Mets Single-A Advanced)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
4	12.0	1-1	0	17	9	9	3	7	6.75

Brooklyn Cyclones (New York Mets Single-A Short Season)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
1	5.0	1-0	0	2	0	0	1	4	0.00

Tucker Davidson (Midland College), LHP, Rome Braves (Atlanta Braves Single-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
29	94.0	5-4	2	89	43	28	25	91	2.68

Position Players

Blaine Prescott (Midland College), 2B, Hickory Crawdads (Texas Rangers Single-A)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
337	42	82	12	2	9	29	22	8	.243

Chris Shaw (Midland College), Delmarva Shorebirds (Baltimore Orioles Single-A)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
115	10	19	5	1	2	14	4	0	.192

GCL Orioles (Baltimore Orioles Rookie)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	.000

Austen Wade, (Midland High), OF, Mahoning Valley Scrappers (Cleveland Indians Single-A Short Season)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
112	16	27	4	2	1	7	12	1	.241

Yahir Gurrola (Midland College), OF, GCL Phillies (Philadelphia Phillies Rookie)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
42	3	8	2	0	1	6	1	0	.190

GCL Phillies (Philadelphia Phillies Rookie)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
105	25	35	6	0	0	18	14	12	.333

Bryndan Arredondo (Midland College), C, GCL Orioles (Baltimore Orioles Rookie), 60-day disabled list

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
35	5	10	0	0	1	7	10	0	.286

Eric Senior (Midland College), OF, GCL Nationals (Washington Nationals Rookie)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
15	53	4	0	0	1	2	2	1	.267

MLB GLANCE

Standings

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	73	57	.562	—
New York	70	59	.543	2½
Baltimore	65	65	.500	8
Tampa Bay	65	67	.492	9
Toronto	61	69	.469	12

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	73	56	.566	—
Minnesota	67	63	.515	6½
Kansas City	64	65	.496	9
Detroit	58	73	.434	17
Chicago	52	77	.403	21

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	79	51	.608	—
Seattle	66	65	.504	13½
Los Angeles	66	65	.504	13½
Texas	64	66	.492	15
Oakland	58	72	.446	21

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	77	51	.602	—
Miami	66	63	.512	11½
Atlanta	57	71	.445	20
New York	57	72	.442	20½
Philadelphia	48	81	.372	29½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	69	60	.535	—
Milwaukee	68	63	.519	2
St. Louis	65	65	.500	4½
Pittsburgh	63	68	.481	7
Cincinnati	55	76	.420	15

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	91	38	.705	—
Arizona	73	56	.557	19
Colorado	71	59	.546	20½
San Diego	57	73	.438	34½
San Francisco	52	80	.394	40½

Wild Card Standings

American League

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	70	59	.543	—
Minnesota	67	63	.515	—
Seattle	66	65	.504	1½
Los Angeles	66	65	.504	1½
Baltimore	65	65	.500	2
Kansas City	64	65	.496	2½
Tampa Bay	65	67	.492	3
Texas	64	66	.492	3
Toronto	61	69	.469	6
Oakland	58	72	.446	9
Detroit	58	73	.434	10½
Chicago	52	77	.403	14½

National League

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	73	58	.557	—
Colorado	71	59	.546	—
Milwaukee	68	63	.519	3½
Miami	66	63	.512	4½
St. Louis	65	65	.500	6
Pittsburgh	63	68	.481	8½
Atlanta	57	71	.445	13
New York	57	72	.442	13½
San Diego	57	73	.438	14
Cincinnati	55	76	.420	16½
San Francisco	52	80	.394	20
Philadelphia	48	81	.372	22½

Scores and Schedules

American League
Sunday's Scores
N.Y. Yankees 10, Seattle 1
Minnesota 7, Toronto 2
Cleveland 12, Kansas City 0
Baltimore 2, Boston 1
Chicago White Sox 7, Detroit 1
Tampa Bay 3, St. Louis 2, 10 innings
Houston 7, L.A. Angels 5
Oakland 8, Texas 3

Today's Games
Cleveland (Kluber 12-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Severino 11-5), 6:05 p.m.
Seattle (Gonzales 0-1) at Baltimore (Tillman 1-7), 6:05 p.m.
Boston (Porcerano 13-4) at Toronto (Stroman 11-6), 6:07 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Pruitt 6-5) at Kansas City (Kennedy 4-6), 7:15 p.m.
Detroit (Zimmermann 7-11) at Colorado (Senzatela 10-4), 7:40 p.m.
Oakland (Gossett 3-6) at L.A. Angels (Heaney 0-0), 9:07 p.m.

National League
Sunday's Scores
Miami 6, San Diego 2
Pittsburgh 5, Cincinnati 2
Colorado 5, Atlanta 0
N.Y. Mets 6, Washington 5, 1st game
Philadelphia 6, Chicago Cubs 3
Tampa K'y 3, St. Louis 2, 10 innings
Arizona 11, San Francisco 0
Milwaukee 3, L.A. Dodgers 2
Washington 5, N.Y. Mets 4, 2nd game

Today's Games
Atlanta (Sims 2-3) at Philadelphia (Nola 9-9), 6:05 p.m.
Miami (Urena 12-5) at Washington (Jackson 4-3), 6:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Williams 5-6) at Chicago Cubs (Montgomery 4-6), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Zimmermann 7-11) at Colorado (Senzatela 10-4), 7:40 p.m.
San Francisco (Samardzija 8-12) at San Diego (Chacin 11-9), 9:10 p.m.

Texas boxes

ASTROS 7, ANGELS 5

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
Springer rf	4	1	0	0	Revere lf	5	0	2	3
Bregman 3b	5	0	0	0	Trout cf	3	0	0	0
Altuve 2b	4	2	2	2	Pujols dh	5	0	2	0
Reddick lf	4	2	3	0	Calhoun rf	4	0	0	0
Y.Gurriel 1b	2	2	1	0	Simmons ss	4	2	1	0
B.McCrm dh	4	0	2	4	Vlbuena 3b	4	1	1	2
Ma.Grcia ss	3	0	1	1	Cron 1b	3	1	1	0
Gattis c	4	0	0	0	Midnade c	1	1	0	0
Mrsnick cf	4	0	0	0	Maybin ph	1	0	0	0
Pennigtn 2b	2	0	1	0					
Totals	34	7	9	7	Totals	32	5	8	5

Houston.....200 200 030—7
Los Angeles.....000 032 000—5

E—Nolasco (2), Reddick (5). DP—Houston 3, Los Angeles 2. LOB—Houston 4, Los Angeles 7. 2B—Revere (12), 3B—B.McCann (1). HR—Altuve (20), Valbuena (17). S—Pennington (1).

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Morton	5	4	3	3	1	5
Musgrove W,6-8	2	2	2	2	1	2
Devenski	1	0	0	0	0	1
Giles S,26-29	1	2	0	0	1	1
Los Angeles						
Nolasco	6	6	4	4	2	4
Petit H,11	1	0	0	0	0	2
Bedrosian L,3-3	1	3	3	3	2	2
Middleton	1	0	0	0	0	1

HBP—by Morton (Pennington), by Morton (Maldonado), by Musgrove (Maldonado).
T—3:16. A—37,606 (43,250).

ATHLETICS 8, RANGERS 3

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Oakland	ab	r	h	bi
Gomez cf	5	1	1	0	Powell cf	5	1	0	0
Choo rf	4	1	1	1	Semien ss	3	1	1	3
Andrus ss	4	0	1	1	Lowrie 2b	1	0	0	0
Beltre dh	4	1	2	0	Canha lf	2	0	0	0
Mazara lf	3	0	1	0	K.Davis dh	4	0	1	1
Napoli 1b	4	0	0	0	Joyce lf-rf	5	1	1	0
Odor 2b	4	0	0	0	Pinder rf-2b	4	0	1	0
Chirinos c	4	0	1	0	Mt.Olson 1b	4	2	3	2
Rbinson 3b	4	0	1	0	M.Chpmn 3b	4	3	3	1
Maxwell c	4	0	2	0					
Totals	36	3	8	2	Totals	36	8	12	7

Texas.....010 010 010—3
Oakland.....030 001 04x—8

E—Lowrie (5). M.Chapman (8). Odor (16). DP—Texas 1. Oakland 1. LOB—Texas 7. Oakland 9. 2B—Beltre 2 (20). Maxwell (8). HR—Choo (16). M.Olson (9). M.Chapman (10). SB—Semien 2 (9).

Texas	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Griffin L,6-5	3 1-3	5	3	3	3	3
Bibens-Dirkx	1 2-3	3	1	1	1	1
Leclerc	1	0	0	0	1	1
Claudio	1 1-3	2	3	1	0	1
Rodriguez	2-3	2	1	1	0	2
Oakland						
Cotton W,7-10	6	4	2	1	0	9
Coulombe	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hatcher	1-3	3	1	1	1	0
Treinen S,10-15	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	0

Bibens-Dirkx pitched to 2 batters in the 6th
Leclerc pitched to 1 batter in the 7th
WP—Cotton.
T—3:20. A—16,335 (37,090).

SATURDAY'S LATE BOX
ANGELS 7, ASTROS 6

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
Springer rf	5	1	1	1	Maybin lf	3	0	0	0
Bregman ss	5	1	2	0	Trout cf	3	1	0	0
Altuve 2b	4	0	0	0	Pujols dh	4	1	2	0
Y.Gurriel 1b	3	1	1	0	Calhoun rf	4	3	3	2
Reddick lf	3	0	1	2	Simmons ss	4	2	2	3
Beltran dh	4	0	0	0	Vlbuena 3b	4	0	1	1
J.Davis 3b	4	0	0	0	Cron 1b	3	0	0	1
B.McCrm c	4	1	1	0	Midnade c	3	0	0	0
Mrsnick cf	4	2	2	1	Cowart 2b	3	0	0	0
Totals	36	6	8	4	Totals	31	7	8	7

Houston.....220 100 100—6
Los Angeles.....010 000 24x—7

E—Valbuena (4). DP—Houston 1. LOB—Houston 5, Los Angeles 2. 2B—Y.Gurriel (35), Martinrick (10), Simmons (31). HR—Springer (29), Martinrick (16), Calhoun (17), Simmons (14). SB—Bregman (14), Maybin (29).

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Peacock	6	3	1	1	1	8
Liriano	1-3	2	2	2	0	0
Martes	1 1-3	1	2	2	1	2
Clippard L,2-8	6 1-3	2	2	2	0	1
Los Angeles						
Skaggs	5	6	5	4	2	3
Alvarez	1	0	0	0	0	1
Norris	1	2	1	1	0	0
Wood W,2-4	1	0	0	0	0	1
Parker S,2-4	1	0	0	0	0	1

WP—Skaggs.
T—3:01. A—41,101 (43,250).

Sunday's linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
INDIANS 12, ROYALS 0
Kansas City.....000 000 000—0 6 1
Cleveland.....390 000 00x—12 17 0
Skoglund, O.Garcia (2), Herrera (8) and Butera, Carrasco, Bieelow (8), McAllister (9) and Gomes. W—Carrasco 13-6. L—Skoglund 1-2. HRs—Cleveland, Santana, Lindor, Gomes.

YANKEES 10, MARINERS 1
Seattle.....100 000 000—1 6 5
New York.....601 001 20x—10 15 2
A.Albers, Altavilla (6) and Zunino; Tanaka, C.Smith (8) and G.Sanchez. W—Tanaka 10-10. L—A.Albers 2-1.

TWINS 7, BLUE JAYS 2
Minnesota.....102 200 101—7 14 1
Toronto.....010 100 000—2 7 1
Gibson, Hildenberger (7), Rogers (8), Belisle (9) and Gimenez; Biagini, Loup (4), Dermody (6), Leone (8), Mayza (9) and M.Montero. W—Gibson 8-10. L—Biagini 3-9. HRs—Minnesota, Buxton 3. Toronto, Aoki.

WHITE SOX 7, TIGERS 1
Detroit.....000 000 010—1 5 0
Chicago.....005 000 02x—7 10 0
Boyd, VerHagen (7), Reininger (8) and J.Hicks; Giolito, Petricka (8), Infante (9) and K.Smith. W—Giolito 1-1. L—Boyd 5-8. HRs—Detroit, Kinsler. Chicago, Davidson.

ORIOLES 2, RED SOX 1
Baltimore.....200 000 000—2 6 0
Boston.....000 001 000—1 8 0
Miley, Givens (6), Bleier (8), M.Castro (8), Brach (8) and Castillo; Fister, Reed (8), Kimbrel (9) and Leon. Vazquez. W—Miley 8-10. L—Fister 3-7. Sv—Brach (17).

INTERLEAGUE
RAYS 3, CARDINALS 2, 10 INNINGS
Tampa Bay.....000 100 100 1—3 8 0
St. Louis.....000 000 110 0—2 9 0
Archer, Jennings (8), Claham (8), Romo (9), Colome (10) and Sucre; Lynn, Oh (8), Duke (8), Tuivailala (10) and Molina. W—Romo 3-1. L—Tuivailala 3-3. Sv—Colome (39). HRs—Tampa Bay, Morrison 2, Miller. St. Louis, Wong, Carpenter.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
MARLINS 6, PADRES 2
San Diego.....000 020 000—2 7 1
Miami.....002 000 04x—6 9 0
Richard, Hoppe (8) and Hedges; Shields, J.Garcia (7), Barraclough (8), Ziegler (9) and Ellis. W—Barraclough (1-1). L—Richard 6-13. HRs—San Diego, Richard. Miami, Dietrich, Stanton.

PIRATES 5, REDS 2
Pittsburgh.....000 210 002—5 8 3
Cincinnati.....010 010 000—2 6 0
Taillon, Schugel (8), Hudson (1), Nicasio (8), Rivero (9) and E.Diaz; Mahle, Shackelford (6), Storen (7), Lorenzen (8), R.Iglesias (9) and Wallach. W—Schugel 3-0. L—Mahle 7-10. Sv—Rivero (16).

PHILLIES 6, CUBS 3
Chicago.....300 000 000—3 7 1
Philadelphia.....000 050 01x—6 8 2
Lackey, Rondon (6), Wilson (6), Uehara (8) and Rivera; Pivetta, E.Ramos (6), Minier (8), L.Garcia (8), Neris (9) and Rupp. W—Pivetta 1-9. L—Lackey 10-10. Sv—Neris (16). HRs—Philadelphia, Hoskins, Williams.

ROCKIES 3, BRAVES 0
Colorado.....010 002 000—3 8 0
Atlanta.....000 000 000—0 6 2
Gray, Neshek (7), Dunn (8), McGee (9) and Wolters; Foltynewicz, Minter (6), Motte (7), S.Freeman (8), Johnson (9)

Jeremy Clements takes Road America for 1st Xfinity win

By Genaro C. Armas
Associated Press

ELKHART LAKE, Wis. — Jeremy Clements battled Matt Tifft down the stretch at Road America before pulling away to the finish line after the two leaders spun out near the end of the second-to-last lap for his first career Xfinity Series victory.

Working with fresh tires down the stretch, Clements chased down Tifft after pitting with nine laps left to surrender the lead. Clements finally caught up with Tifft on the 44th lap, with their cars spinning into the dirt on last turn of the 14-turn road course.

The 32 year-old Clements recovered first and sped away on the last lap to capture the checkered flag for the first time in 256 Xfinity series races. Michael Annett passed Tifft to take second, 5.8 seconds behind Clements. Tifft settled for third.

Series leader Elliott Sadler finished 14th.

Racing at Road America took center stage in NASCAR with the top-level Monster Cup series and the Camping World Truck circuit off for the weekend. The Xfinity drivers didn't disappoint on an overcast day at the rural Wisconsin track.

The early portions of the race were just as eventful as the end. Daniel Hemric took the second 10-lap stage that included four cars spinning out of the left-hand Turn 5. James Davison said his No. 20 Toyota got clipped in the scrum and a cracked radiator knocked him out of the race.

It was such a memorable afternoon until then for Davison, who started second and led the first 11 laps to win the first stage. The 31 year-old Davison led an Xfinity race lap for the first time in three career series races.

"I had nowhere to go, totally innocent," Davison said. "Look that's racing."

Qualifying for the 45-lap race was cancelled because of weather, with rain having fallen earlier in the morning. The starting grid was determined by owner points, so Austin Cendric took the pole in his No. 20 Ford for Team Penske in his Xfinity series debut.

The son of Penske team president Tim Cindric got a preview of the tight racing to come by competing in the ARCA series race earlier Sunday, finishing 12th in that race.

In the end, it was Clements' small, family owned team that emerged for the victory. He said his No. 51 Chevy was built in 2008.

"I can't believe it ... It's just a shock," he said. "It's pretty neat to be this field with about a 10 year-old car."

AUTO RACING RESULTS

NASCAR Johnsonville 180

Sunday
At Road America
Elkhart Lake, Wis.
Lap length: 4.048 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (24) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 45 laps, 0 rating, 44 points.
2. (17) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 35.
3. (13) Matt Tifft, Toyota, 45, 0, 43.
4. (5) Justin Marks, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 42.
5. (18) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 35.
6. (6) William Byron, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 34.
7. (15) Blake Koch, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 31.
8. (12) Cole Custer, Ford, 45, 0, 29.
9. (28) Casey Mears, Ford, 45, 0, 30.
10. (26) Parker Kligerman, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 0.
11. (7) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 39.
12. (33) Josh Bilicki, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 25.
13. (19) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 24.
14. (3) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 31.
15. (11) Daniel Hemric, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 32.
16. (1) Austin Cindric, Ford, 45, 0, 0.
17. (20) JJ Yeley, Toyota, 45, 0, 26.
18. (8) Ben Kennedy, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 28.
19. (4) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 45, 0, 0.
20. (21) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 17.
21. (27) Ryan Ellis, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 16.
22. (16) Dakoda Armstrong, Toyota, 45, 0, 15.
23. (9) Scott Lagasse Jr, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 14.
24. (25) Spencer Gallagher, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 13.
25. (22) Brandon Jones, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 12.
26. (35) Dexter Bean, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 11.
27. (29) Garrett Smithley, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 10.
28. (30) David Starr, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 9.
29. (40) Nicolas Hammann, Dodge, 44, 0, 8.
30. (37) John Graham, Dodge, 44, 0, 7.
31. (10) Brennan Poole, Chevrolet, 44, 0, 13.
32. (25) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 43, 0, 5.
33. (23) Dylan Lupton, Toyota, 42, 0, 4.
34. (36) Stephen Young, Chevrolet, 42, 0, 3.
35. (14) Ryan Reed, Ford, accident, 36, 0, 7.
36. (34) Tim Cowen, Chevrolet, accident, 35, 0, 1.
37. (2) JD Davison, Toyota, accident, 20, 0, 1½.
38. (32) Sheldon Creed, Chevrolet, vibration, 18, 0, 2.
39. (38) Ernie Francis Jr, Toyota, engine, 16, 0, 1.
40. (31) Jeff Green, Chevrolet, vibration, 2, 0, 1.

Belgian Grand Prix

Sunday
At Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps
Spa, Belgium
Lap length: 4.352 miles

1. (1) Lewis Hamilton, Britain, Mercedes GP, 1 hour, 24 minutes, 42.820 seconds
2. (2) Sebastian Vettel, Germany, Ferrari, 1:24:45.178
3. (6) Daniel Ricciardo, Australia, Red Bull, 1:24:53.611
4. (4) Kimi Raikkonen, Finland, Ferrari, 1:24:57.291
5. (3) Valtteri Bottas, Finland, Mercedes GP, 1:24:59.276
6. (7) Nico Hulkenberg, Germany, Renault, 1:25:10.907
7. (12) Romain Grosjean, France, Haas F1, 1:25:14.373
8. (16) Felipe Massa, Brazil, Williams, 1:25:19.469
9. (9) Esteban Ocon, France, Force India, 1:25:20.974
10. (14) Carlos Sainz, Spain, Scuderia Toro Rosso, 1:25:22.267
11. (18) Lance Stroll, Canada, Williams, 1:25:31.819
12. (17) Daniil Kvyat, Russia, Scuderia Toro Rosso, 1:25:32.760
13. (10) Jolyon Palmer, Britain, Renault, 1:25:36.059
14. (15) Stoffel Vandoorne, Belgium, McLaren, 1:25:39.898
15. (13) Kevin Magnussen, Denmark, Haas F1, 1:25:50.082
16. (19) Marcus Ericsson, Sweden, Sauber-Ferrari, 1:25:52.531
17. (8) Sergio Perez, Mexico, Force India, 2 Laps
Did Not Finish
18. (11) Fernando Alonso, Spain, McLaren, 25 laps
19. (5) Max Verstappen, Netherlands, Red Bull, 7 laps
20. (20) Pascal Wehrlein, Germany, Sauber-Ferrari, 2 laps

IndyCar Madison 500

Sunday
At Gateway Motorsports Park
Madison, Illinois
Lap length: 1.2 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (2) Josef Newgarden, Dallara-Chevrolet, 248 laps, Running
2. (7) Scott Dixon, Dallara-Chevrolet, 248 laps, Running
3. (4) Simon Pagenaud, Dallara-Chevrolet, 248 laps, Running
4. (3) Helio Castroneves, Dallara-Chevrolet, 248 laps, Running
5. (11) Conor Daly, Dallara-Chevrolet, 248 laps, Running
6. (9) Alexander Rossi, Dallara-Honda, 248 laps, Running
7. (18) Charlie Kimball, Dallara-Honda, 248 laps, Running
8. (10) James Hinchcliffe, Dallara-Honda, 248 laps, Running
9. (8) Carlos Munoz, Dallara-Chevrolet, 248 laps, Running
10. (19) Sebastien Bourdais, Dallara-Honda, 248 laps, Running
11. (21) Sebastian Saavedra, Chevrolet, 248 laps, Running
12. (13) Graham Rahal, Dallara-Honda, 248 laps, Running
13. (12) Ed Jones, Honda, 248 laps, Running
14. (20) Marco Andretti, Dallara-Honda, 248 laps, Running
15. (14) Ryan Hunter-Reay, Dallara-Honda, 205 laps, Contact
16. (17) Tony Kanaan, Dallara-Chevrolet, 78 laps, Mechanical
17. (16) Max Chilton, Dallara-Honda, 54 laps, Contact
18. (15) JR Hildebrand, Dallara-Chevrolet, 7 laps, Contact
19. (6) Takuma Sato, Dallara-Honda, 4 laps, Contact
20. (1) Will Power, Dallara-Chevrolet, 1 laps, Contact
21. (5) Ed Carpenter, Dallara-Chevrolet, 1 laps, Contact

AP file photo

Maria Sharapova plays a forehand return to Serena Williams during their quarterfinal match at the Australian Open tennis championships in 2016 in Melbourne, Australia. Sharapova's first Grand Slam match in more than 1 1/2 years will come against No. 2-seeded Simona Halep at the U.S.

From Sharapova to 'Fedal,' a look at key US Open topics

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

NEW YORK — There are those who think Maria Sharapova shouldn't even be in the U.S. Open via a wild-card invitation, because what dropped her ranking out of the top 100 was not an injury but a 15-month suspension for doping.

"You have to work for it, you know, a little bit to go and play your tournaments and not (get) help that much sometimes," Wimbledon champion Garbine Muguruza said. "You've got to work hard and deserve it again. I think that's the way."

Either way, as long as Sharapova remains in the field at the tournament that begins Monday, she will be a main topic of conversation. On the other hand, the former No. 1 and five-time major champion could be gone by the end of Day 1.

That's because Sharapova was drawn to face one of the best players in the 128-player women's bracket, No. 2-seeded Simona Halep. Their showdown highlights the schedule Monday night in Arthur Ashe Stadium.

Halep declined to wade into the debate about the merits of the U.S. Tennis Association's decision to let Sharapova into the tournament.

"I'm not thinking what Maria did or what Maria does and how is the situation," said Halep, a two-time French Open runner-up, including a loss to Sharapova in the 2014 final. "I'm just thinking about myself. I just really want to go there and to play my best tennis."

Sharapova, who did not hold a pre-tournament news conference, is 6-0 against Halep over their careers and 10-0 in first-round matches at Flushing Meadows.

"Maybe," Halep said, "I will change this."

Other things to know about the U.S. Open, the year's last Grand Slam tournament:

'Fedal'

That's what some folks have come to call the tremendous rivalry between Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal. Federer has won a record 19 Grand Slam titles in men's singles; Nadal is No. 2 with 15. They have split the year's first three major championships, with Federer beating Nadal in the Australian Open final in January, Nadal winning his 10th French Open in June, and Federer winning his eighth Wimbledon in July. They have played each other 37 times (Nadal leads 23-14, although Federer has won the last four), but never in New York. Both were asked if they'd like to see that finally happen. Federer replied with an unequivocal "Yes." And Nadal? Not one bit. "I prefer to play against another player," he said. "An easier one, if it's possible." If their first encounter at Flushing Meadows is going to happen, it will need to be in the semifinals, because the No. 1-seeded Nadal and No. 3 Federer were placed in the same side of the men's field by the draw.

Who's No. 1?

Eight women enter with a shot at being ranked No. 1 when the U.S. Open ends: Karolina Pliskova, the 2016 runner-up who currently holds the top spot, Halep, Muguruza, Elina Svitolina, Caroline Wozniacki, Johanna Konta, Svetlana Kuznetsova and Venus Williams. Not part of that mix? Angelique Kerber, who moved atop the WTA rankings by winning the title a year ago but is currently No. 6.

All sorts of absences

So many familiar faces and key players are missing from the field. Three of the top five men in the rankings are out because of injuries: past champions Novak Djokovic, Andy Murray and Stan Wawrinka. Serena Williams is off the tour while expecting a baby. Victoria Azarenka is absent because of a custody dispute involving her infant son. Past champion Samantha Stosur is injured. Sara Errani is serving a doping ban.

Breakthrough time

There are several players who could grab a chance to make a breakthrough. Among the men: Alexander Zverev, Nick Kyrgios, Dominic Thiem, Denis Shapovalov. Among the women: Svitolina, Konta, Madison Keys. Zverev, a German who is 20, has won five titles this season, including two at Masters events, making him a popular pick to go far. But he's never been to a Grand Slam quarterfinal. "The problem for him," Federer said, "is just the mental and physical consistency to bring it every single day."

US Open

From 1C

USTA is putting more effort into telling fans about American players who might not be household names — "who to watch out for and why they're going to succeed" — and up-and-comers from other countries.

"We recognize that we have a responsibility to start promoting new names in tennis and that will start at this year's Open," Widmaier said. "You'll see new faces in ads. You'll see new names at night."

One example: Alexander Zverev, a 20-year-old German considered the "Next Big Thing," will play under the lights in Arthur Ashe Stadium on Monday.

Widmaier said Zverev or Nick Kyrgios, a talented and volatile 22-year-old Australian, could be the focus of TV, print or digital promotion that otherwise might have put Djokovic, Murray or Wawrinka in the spotlight.

"In the past, our ads have featured former champions," Widmaier said. "Now they will feature future champions."

That is a good thing for tennis, which will see a generation of significant players on its way out in the coming years. Federer, after all, is 36. Wawrinka is 32, Nadal 31. Djokovic and Murray are 30. Williams turns 36 next month; her older sister Venus is already 37, the oldest woman in the draw.

Those seven players own a combined 82 major singles titles.

Federer, for one, does not think the preponderance of injuries among leading men is a worrisome trend. He offered a rather simple take.

"It's mostly because they are 30-plus. Wear and tear just takes its toll. Maybe some players have just had enough of playing hurt and just told themselves: 'When I come back, I just want to be 100 percent. Not always playing at 85, 90, 95 percent. It's just not fun this way," he said.

"I don't think there needs to be that much addressing, because the players, they have the option not to play as much as sometimes they have to or want to," added Federer, who took off the last half of 2016 to let his surgically repaired left knee heal. "I don't think the tour is doing much wrong, to be quite honest."

Nadal mostly agreed, noting, "Don't forget that we are not 21 anymore."

But he also said, "There is a couple of things that I'm sure we could do ... better."

One specific complaint he raised was that tennis balls used at the hard-court tournaments ahead of the U.S. Open are drastically different from those in New York, which is "very bad for the wrist, for the elbow, for the shoulder."

Another possible reason for so many withdrawals is one far less likely to be remedied: It stands to reason that more men would accumulate injuries by the end of their long season, and the U.S. Open's spot as each year's last Grand Slam tournament seems set.

QBs

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the nation in yards passing in '02 and Cumbie led the nation in '04 while Riley was a student assistant.

Leach has watched his pupils from afar, and at times, the 56-year-old mastermind has become the student.

"We will occasionally pick up the phone and call one another and draw stuff from one another and pick each other's brain a little bit, so there is some crossover," he said. "It all comes from the same basic offense we ran at Tech."

Riley didn't get on the field at Tech, and Leach offered Riley a student assistant position after cutting him in 2003. Riley made the most of his time with successful quarterbacks Cumbie, B.J. Symons, Cody Hodges and Graham Harrell.

"We had a lot of interesting characters in there," Riley said. "The head coach, for first. That was interesting right off the top. A lot of dynamic personalities in there. It was good. There was a lot of learning. It was a unique environment to learn, but one that benefited all of us."

Cumbie closely followed Kingsbury's path and was ready to play when the opportunity finally came his senior year.

"Everywhere Kliff went, everything Kliff did, Cumbie did," Leach said. "I think Cumbie's focus, persistence and diligence doing that helped him get on the field and be the guy for a year."

Though they all use the same basic system, there are differences. Last season, Washington State and Texas Tech passed nearly twice as often as they ran, staying true to the Air Raid roots. Oklahoma ran 14 more times per game than it passed last season and TCU had a nearly even split.

"He's (Leach) had incredible success, but he's always had his system and recruits guys to that," Riley said. "He's not going to tinker the system much — they are going to run what they run. Only the names and faces change. Our belief has been a little bit different here in that you do have to adapt to what you have. There's two ways to do it well, and both groups have had a lot of success offensively."

Leach used the system as offensive coordinator at Oklahoma in 1999, and he helped Riley get onto former Sooner coach Bob Stoops' staff in 2015. Leach is pleased that the system he helped develop under Hal Mumme has continued to grow through the players he coached and beyond.

"Just in general, what we started doing there at Tech, Oklahoma, has spread quite quickly — high schools, all the rest, and even the NFL for that matter," Leach said. "I think a number of these guys did work with us, and it did help us in the offense and then provide them with opportunities. It turned out pretty good for everybody, I think."

FIGHT

From 1C

years earlier. And, after earning nearly $1 billion in his 21-year career, he can get on with his varied businesses and maybe even train a few fighters himself.

"You won't see me in the ring anymore," Mayweather said. "Any guy calling me out, forget it. I'm OK. I had a great career."

Indeed, he did, winning every time he got into the ring and building his brand wisely so he could make a fortune off of it. No boxer has ever marketed himself like the man who calls himself Money, and he can now relax and enjoy his private jets, mansions and courtside seats to NBA games around the nation.

The criticism of the Pacquiao fight will now fade away, and the last image of the best defensive fighter of his generation will be of him coming forward boldly and going for one final knockout.

"I felt like I owed the fans a last hurrah," Mayweather said. "I told you guys I'd come straight ahead and I told you the fight would not go the distance."

The fight itself played out much like many in boxing expected. McGregor got off to a good start, Mayweather figured him out after a few rounds, and after that the only question was whether Mayweather would stop a fighter legitimately for the first time in nearly a decade.

He did, battering McGregor around the ring in the 10th round until the referee moved in to stop it. McGregor didn't protest, though afterward he said he wished he would have been allowed to continue.

But that was a minor quibble. McGregor may have lost but in just a few short months he did what few could have anticipated and made himself into a decent boxer who carried one of the best ever into the later rounds while remaining upright the whole time.

He may have been new to boxing, but he proved to the disbelievers in the sport that he was a true fighter.

"I was a little taken aback by the disrespect and disregard I was shown," McGregor said.

At the age of 29, McGregor is a rare superstar with a quick wit and mouth to go along with his combat skills. The price for his UFC fights will cause UFC chief Dana White some sleepless nights because in a way he is almost bigger now than the organization.

And, who knows. He may venture back into the boxing ring someday if the price is right.

"I'm young, I'm fresh and I'm ready," McGregor said. "Right now I'm a free agent. I love a good fight and tonight was a good fight. I can't tell you exactly what's next but something will be next."

That's the one thing that seemed assured as Saturday night blended into Sunday morning on the Las Vegas Strip. McGregor was sipping a whiskey he plans to market, and on his way to an appearance at a hotel nightclub.

Mayweather had an appearance of his own to make at his new strip club, where he held meet-and-greets the entire week of the fight.

First, though, the two fighters posed for final pictures, an arm around each other. They hugged, seemingly reluctant to let it all go.

The carnival was leaving town, but not before putting on a pretty good show.

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Conor McGregor

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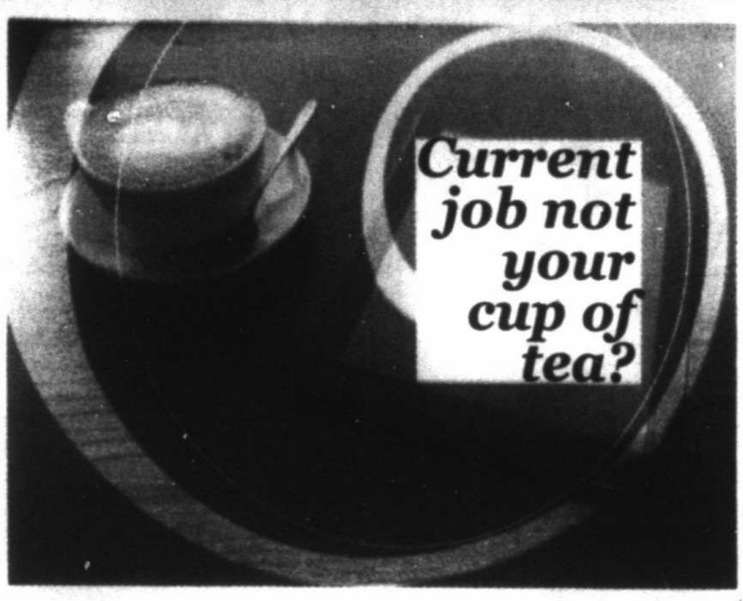

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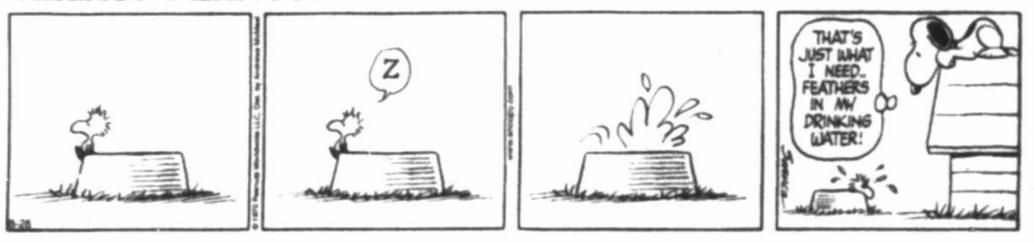

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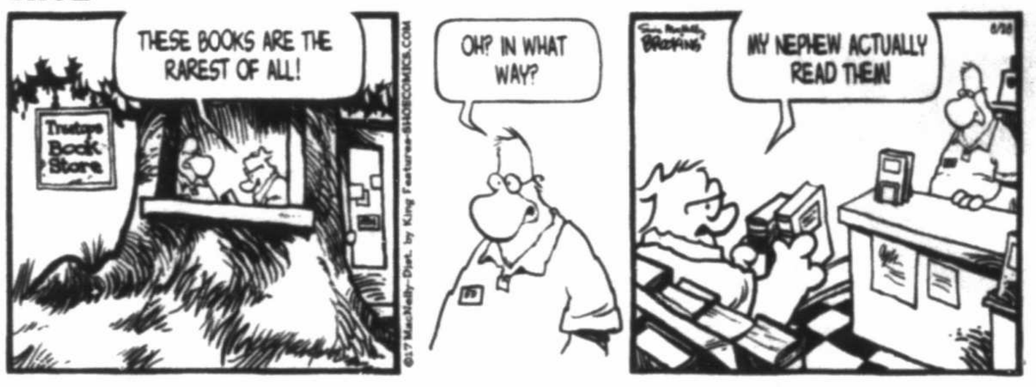

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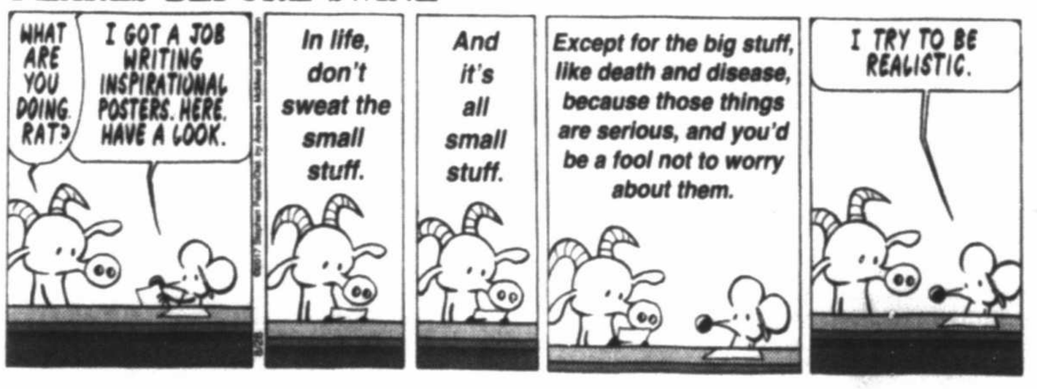

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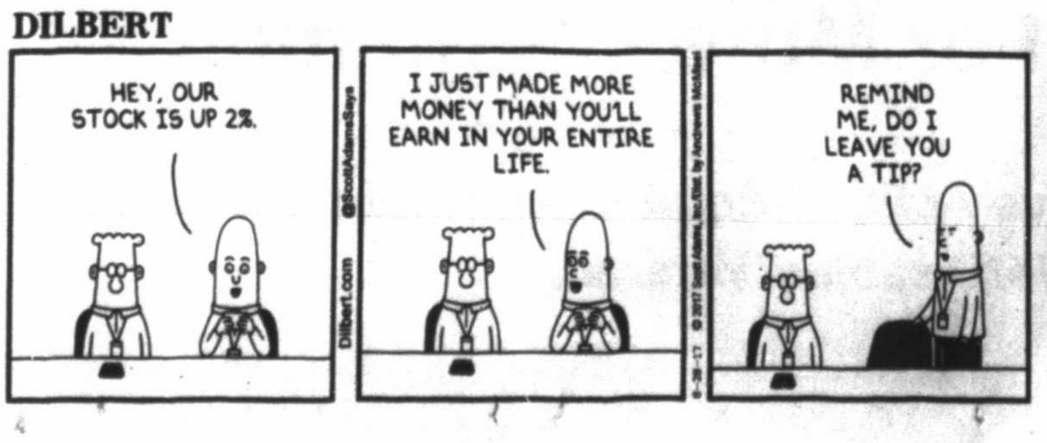

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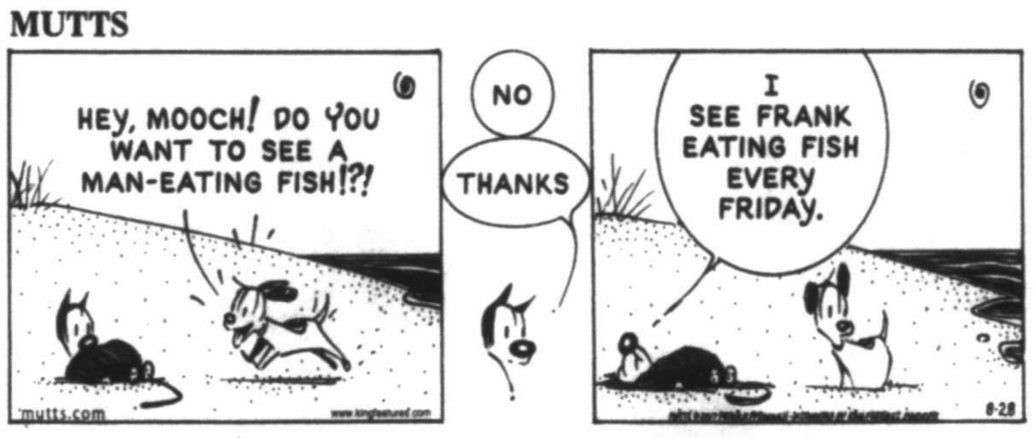

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"I don't know what it was like, I didn't see it. Wait, Chuck, you saw the eclipse, didn't you?"

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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

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1	3	5	6					
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SOLUTION TO SATURDAY'S PUZZLE

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

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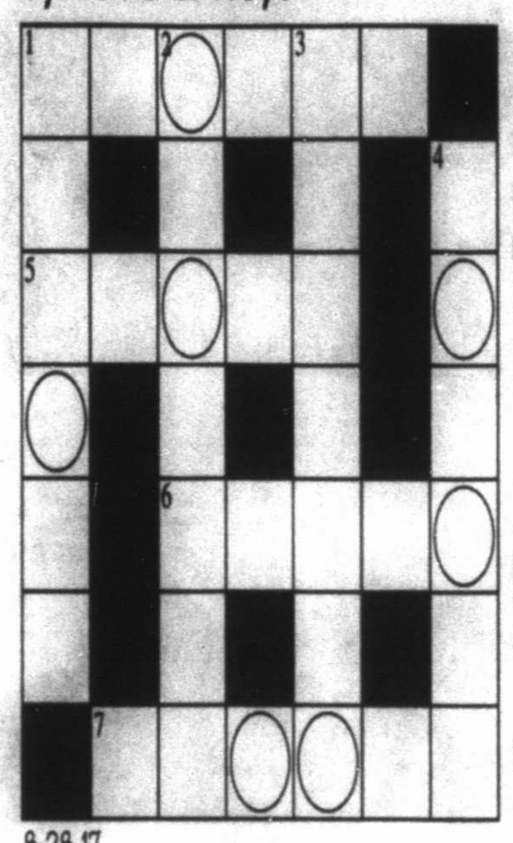

ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. ___ peanuts	LDEAST
5. Long ___	VERDI
6. Say	RUETT
7. Depict	RDNREE

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Calm, collected	TEDASE
2. ___ suit	URSLIEE
3. Made an effort	DXERTEE
4. More beloved	EEADRR

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

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CLUE: This is the 20th largest island on Earth.

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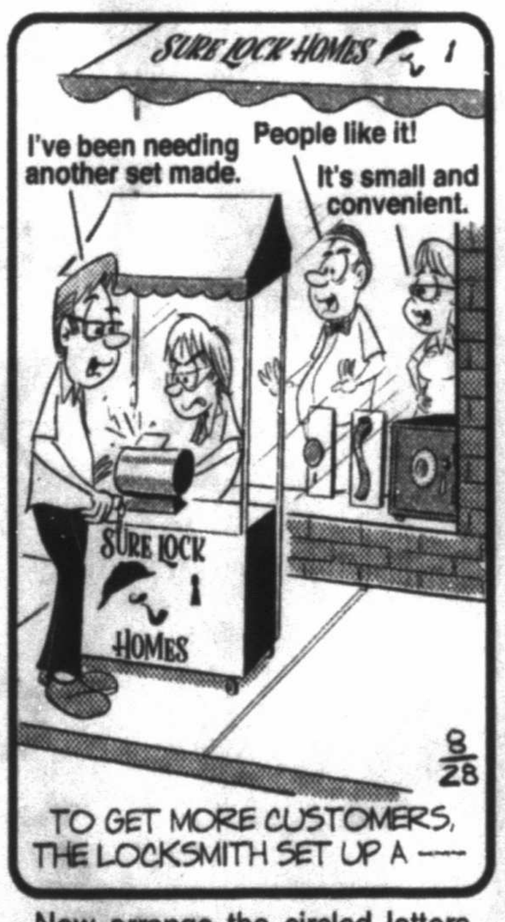

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Print answer here: "○○○○ - ○○○○"

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: CROSS RELIC DEVOUR CAMPUS
Answer: The classic vinyl albums were selling for — RECORD PRICES

DAILY CROSSWORD

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ACROSS
1 Plastering strip
5 Go here and there
9 Performs a full-body scan on?
14 "Wonderfilled" cookie
15 Arizona county or its seat
16 Decoratively patterned fabric
17 Exploit a situation for personal wealth
20 Decorator's asset
21 Black & Decker rival
22 Membership fees
23 Embarrassing shirt-pocket stain
25 Range above tenor
27 Textured overhead interior feature in some homes
34 Soup aisle container
35 Director Kazan
36 Walk-on role
37 Feels remorse over
39 Sock away
42 Works on a seam
43 Identity-concealing name
45 Yr.-end consultants
47 "The fresh air is delightful!"
48 Large final loan remittance
52 iPod download
53 Tofu source
54 Dating from
57 Give the band a hand
60 Brings in from the field
64 Has little significance ... and to all intents and purposes, what the first word of 17-, 27- and 48-Across does
67 German steel town
68 "I've got the tab"
69 Like some art class models
70 Places for laces
71 Call for
72 Shocked reaction

DOWN
1 Artist's digs
2 Flooring calculation
3 Drinks with crumpets
4 Inside racetrack info
5 Loaf in a deli
6 For you and me
7 Wild way to run
8 Hit song from "Flashdance"
9 Extra NFL periods
10 Ski resort transports
11 "In __ of gifts ..."
12 Otherwise
13 Sinks out of sight, as the sun
18 Therefore
19 Couture monthly
24 Beverage nut
26 Personal quirk
27 Former "American Idol" judge Abdul
28 Roger of NBC News
29 Volcano edge
30 Anti-discrimination org.
31 "In other words ..."
32 Not experienced in
33 "Golly!"
34 Clawed crawler
38 Like foods for a low-sodium diet
40 Body wrap offerer
41 Comes out with
44 Not worth a __
46 Camper's dessert
49 On a single occasion
50 Willie of country
51 Watching closely
54 Golf rarities
55 Beauty pageant band
56 Roughly
58 Celebrity chef Burrell
59 Fleshy fruit
61 Isla surrounder
62 Advanced degrees: Abbr.
63 Staircase unit
65 State Farm's bus.
66 Exchange rings

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

C	O	O	P	E	R	■	M	A	R	I	A	C	H	I
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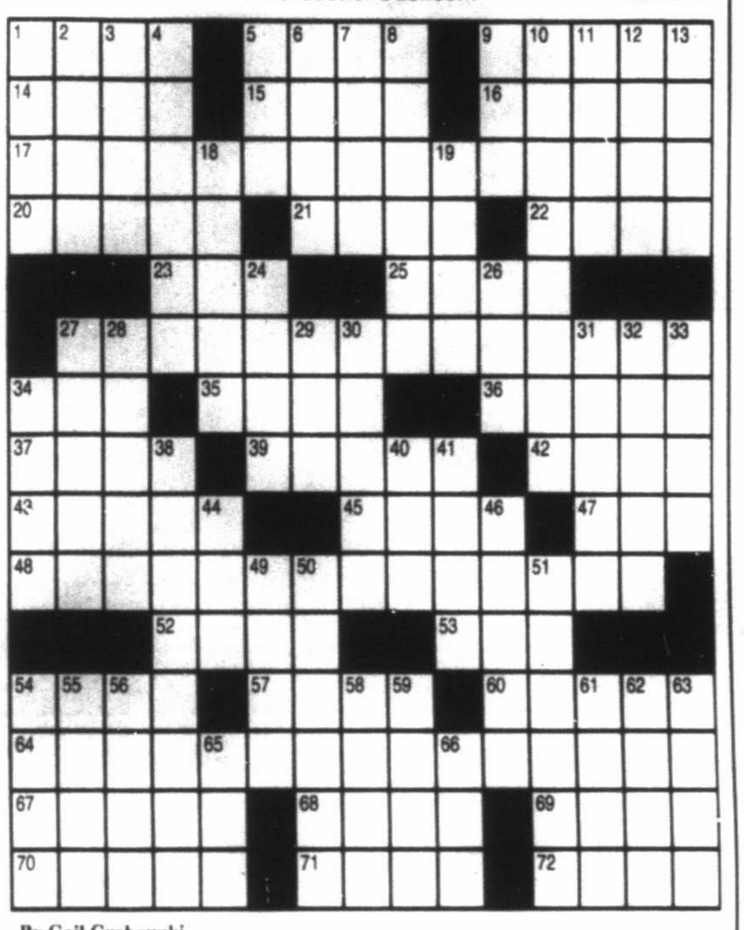

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1.
1. eract
2. eract
3. eract
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2.
√ matter

Print Your Answers Here:

1. ○○○○○○○○○○○○
2. ○○○ ○○○○ ○○○ ○○○ ○○○○○○○

Today's Answers:
1. Counteracts
2. The root of the matter

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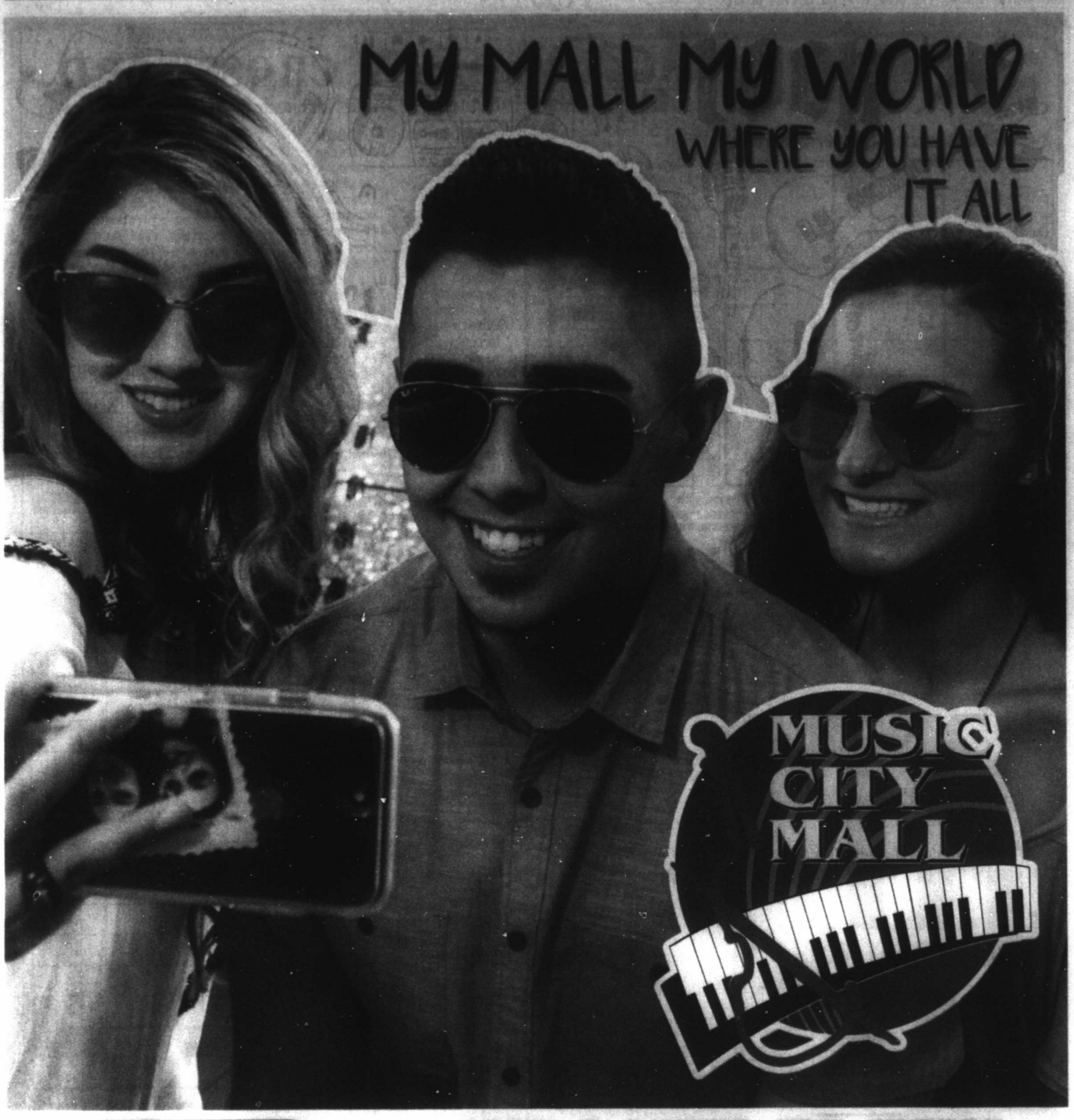

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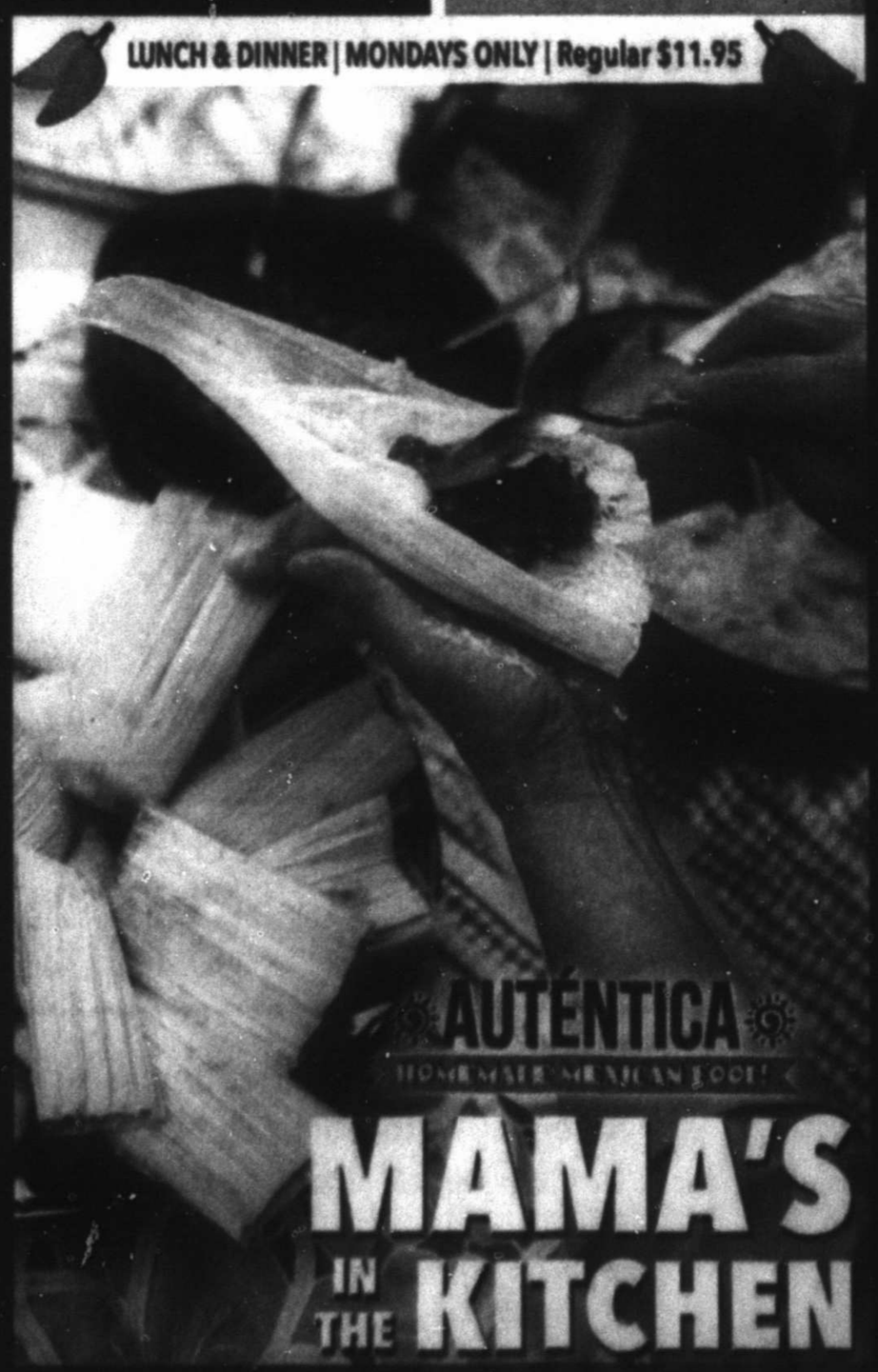

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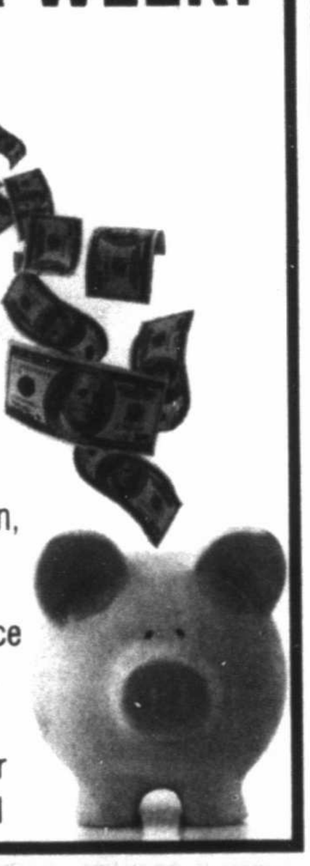

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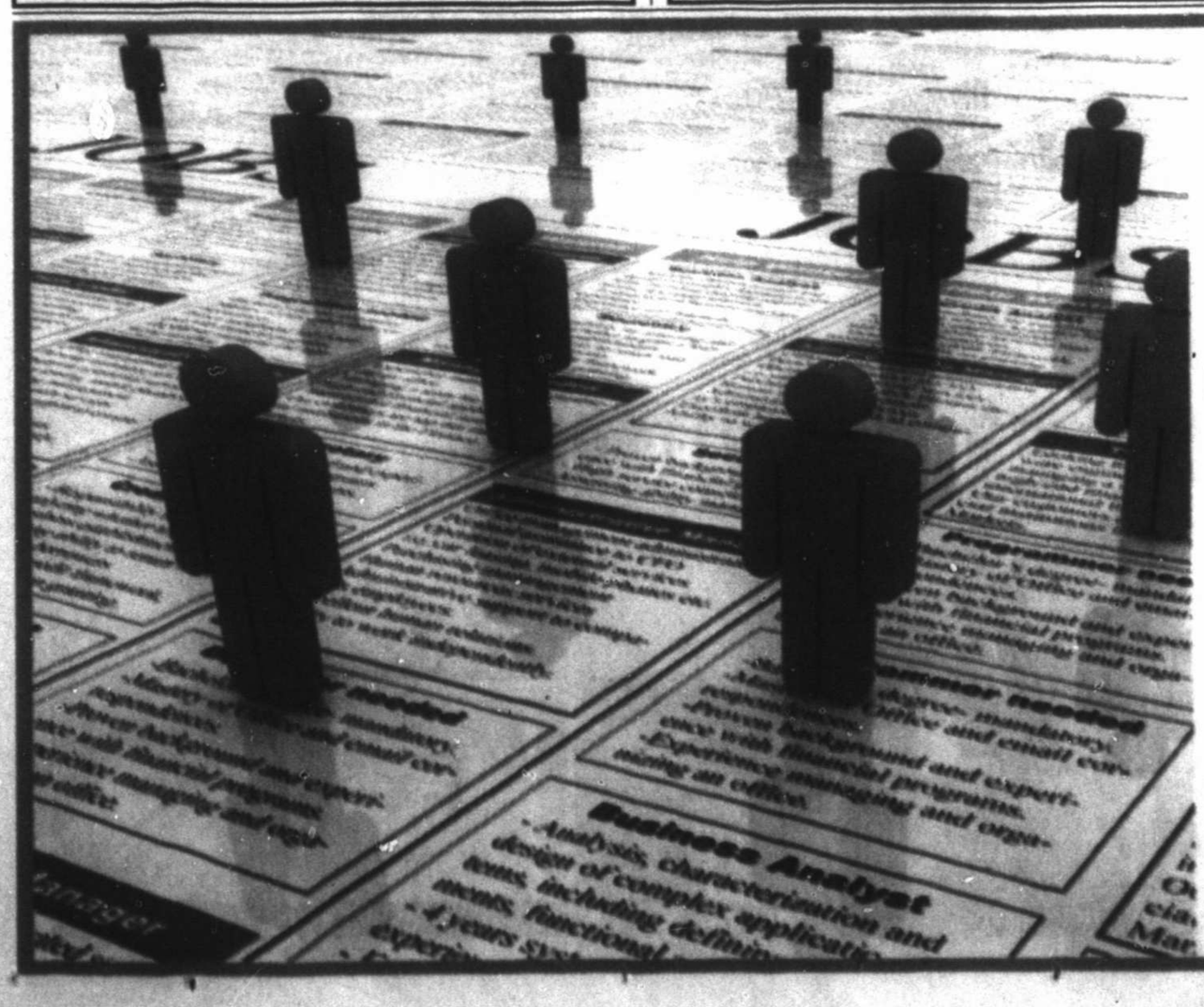

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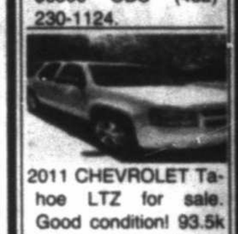

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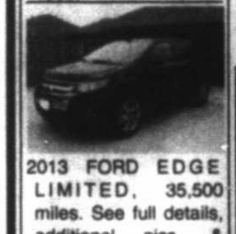

2013 FORD EDGE LIMITED, 35,500 miles. See full details, additional pics, & CARFAX report at www.cars.com/vehicledetail/detail/70517723 0/overview/. Call or text 832-312-7177.

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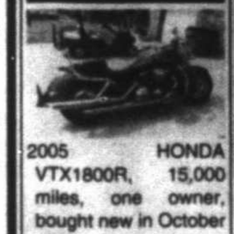

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Notice of Draft Federal Operating Permit

Draft Permit No.: O2893

Application and Draft Permit. Chevron MidContinent, L.P., 1400 Smith St., Room 44138, Houston, TX 77002-7327, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as Permit) No. O2893, Application No. 25550, to authorize operation of the Dollarhide Gas Plant, a Natural Gas Liquids facility. The area addressed by the application is located at 35 miles southwest of Andrews, Texas on Highway 128 in Andrews, Andrews County, Texas 79714. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to the application. You can find an electronic map of the facility at: http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.154&lng=-103.0583&zoom=13&type=r. This application was received by the TCEQ on November 15, 2016.

The purpose of a federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly listing all applicable requirements, as defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10). The draft permit, if approved, will codify the conditions under which the area must operate. The permit will not authorize new construction. The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and has made a preliminary decision to prepare a draft permit for public comment and review. The executive director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building E, First Floor, Austin, Texas 78753; the TCEQ Midland Regional Office, 9900 W Interstate 20 Ste 100, Midland, Texas 79706-2636; and the Andrews County Courthouse, 201 N Main St, Andrews, Texas 79714-6506, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The draft permit and statement of basis are available at the TCEQ Website:

www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/tvnotice

At the TCEQ central and regional offices, relevant supporting materials for the draft permit, as well as the New Source Review permits which have been incorporated by reference, may be reviewed and copied. Any person with difficulties obtaining these materials due to travel constraints may contact the TCEQ central office file room at (512) 239 1540.

Public Comment/Notice and Comment Hearing. Any person may submit written comments on the draft permit. Comments relating to the accuracy, completeness, and appropriateness of the permit conditions may result in changes to the draft permit.

A person who may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the permitted area may request a notice and comment hearing. The purpose of the notice and comment hearing is to provide an additional opportunity to submit comments on the draft permit. The permit may be changed based on comments pertaining to whether the permit provides for compliance with 30 TAC Chapter 122 (examples may include that the permit does not contain all applicable requirements or the public notice procedures were not satisfied). The TCEQ may grant a notice and comment hearing on the application if a written hearing request is received within 30 days after publication of the newspaper notice. The hearing request must include the basis for the request, including a description of how the person may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the application area. The request should also specify the conditions of the draft permit that are inappropriate or specify how the preliminary decision to issue or deny the permit is inappropriate. All reasonably ascertainable issues must be raised and all reasonably available arguments must be submitted by the end of the public comment period. If a notice and comment hearing is granted, all individuals that submitted written comments or a hearing request will receive written notice of the hearing. This notice will identify the date, time, and location for the hearing.

Written public comments and/or requests for a notice and comment hearing should be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html and be received within 30 days after the date of newspaper publication of this notice. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses.

A notice of proposed final action that includes a response to comments and identification of any changes to the draft permit will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments, a hearing request, or requested to be on the mailing list for this application. This mailing will also provide instructions for public petitions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to request that the EPA object to the issuance of the proposed permit. After receiving a petition, the EPA may only object to the issuance of a permit which is not in compliance with the applicable requirements or the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 122.

Mailing List. In addition to submitting public comments, a person may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Chief Clerk for this application.

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Further information may also be obtained for Chevron MidContinent, L.P. by calling Ms. Cynthia Espinoza at (432) 687-7835.

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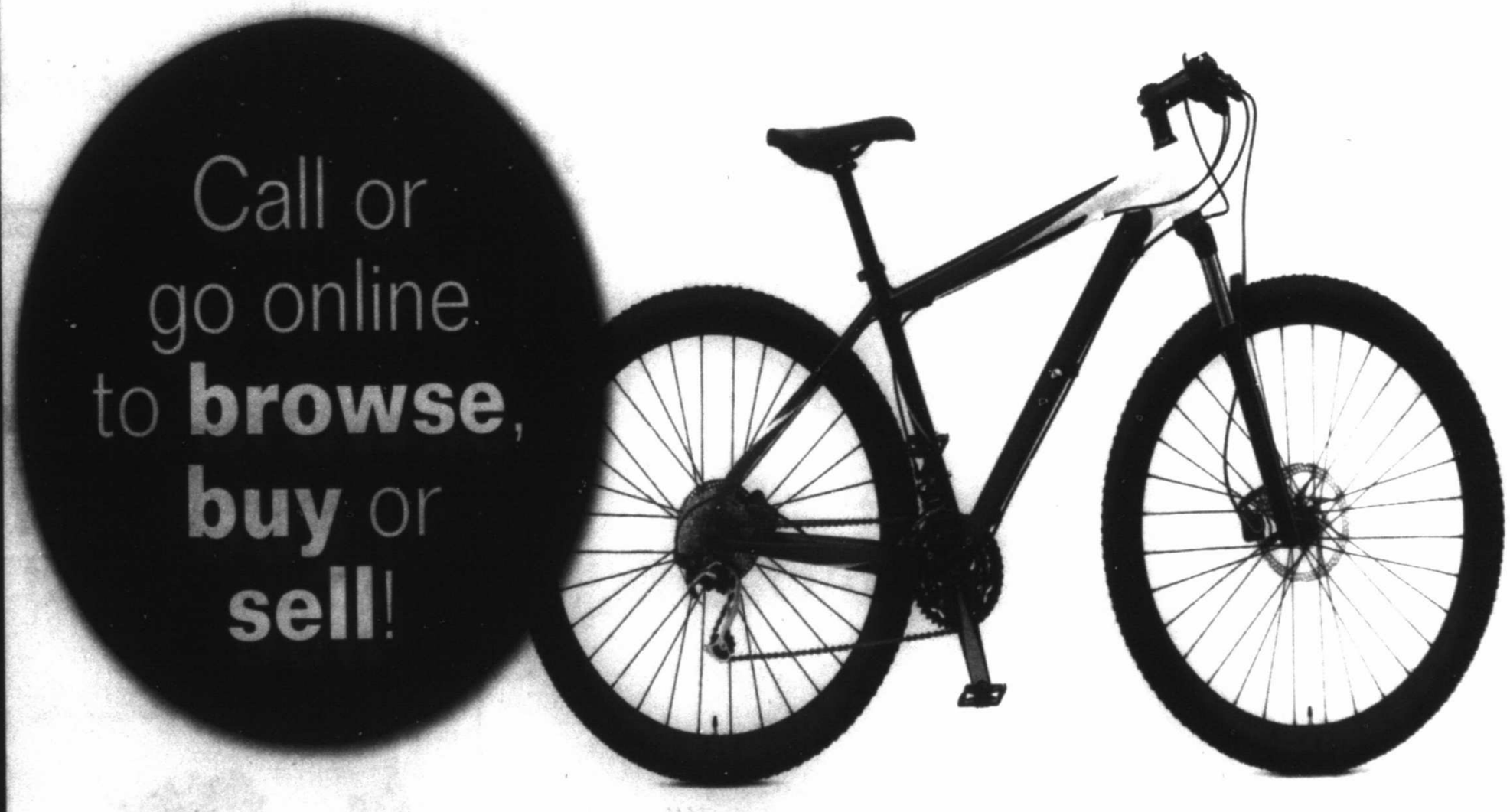

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