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Sitton: Trans-Pecos Pipeline 'vital' to Texas, Mexico

Editor's note: This is the second of two parts of Commissioner Ryan Sitton's conversation with the Reporter-Telegram about various energy industry issues and the Railroad Commission. The first part ran in Sunday's edition.

By Trevor Hawes
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If there's one thing Texas has a lot of, it's pipelines. The energy capital of the U.S. has about 400,000 miles of pipeline delivering energy products throughout the state and into Mexico, which is hungry for more of Texas' natural gas as the nation's energy demands grow.

Railroad Commissioner Ryan Sitton spoke with the Reporter-Telegram on Thursday to discuss the Trans-Pecos Pipeline and what it will mean for Texas and Mexico's futures.

MRT: How important is the state's pipeline infrastructure to the economy?

Sitton: As all of these markets grow — oil and natural gas — infrastructure, such as pipelines, are going to be crucial to being able to move that product and get a good market for that product.

One of the things that any producer has to be thoughtful about and mindful of is, "I can drill a well and produce that oil or natural gas out of that well, and maybe the spot price today says I can command a pretty nice margin unless I can't get it to market. If I have to put it in a truck, that's going to chew up a lot of that margin through shipping it." So, pipelines are really vital, and industry has done a fantastic job in this state in building that infrastructure.

Mexico has 120 million people, produces something like 2.5 million barrels of oil and has 6,000 miles of pipeline. The state of Texas has 27 million people, produces about 3 million barrels of oil, and we have 400,000 miles of pipeline. One of our big advantages is our infrastructure. What we need to be doing, from a regulatory perspective, is making sure our environment that we are maintaining really continues to promote that development.

We had a case just two days ago that was a somewhat landmark case at the Railroad Commission because it dealt with the rates that pipeline operators can charge. Are we going to use a market-based rate or are we going to use a cost-of-service rate? I was very public about the fact that I thought market-based rates were vital because that allows companies that will invest huge capital to get a return on that capital from those who use these pipelines.

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Con-goers take a break

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Convention-goers Eunice Smith, Veronica Mendez, Kellie Linton and Alejandra Mendez play a game of Uno at the Kira Kira Entertainment Maid Cafe in one of the rooms at Koya Con on Friday at the Horseshoe Pavilion. Guests could play games, read manga, listen to Japanese pop music, enjoy free tea and cupcakes and get a picture drawn on their plates in chocolate syrup by one of the maids.

Supreme Court set to close out term with 3 big cases

By Mark Sherman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court is set to close out its current term with opinions Monday in three remaining cases after a flurry of decisions last week.

It's expected to be the justices' final meeting before they disperse on their summer breaks.

The last three cases concern regulation of Texas abortion clinics, the public corruption conviction of former Gov. Bob McDonnell of Virginia and a federal law that seeks to keep guns out of the hands of people convicted of domestic violence.

Just eight justices are taking part in the cases following the death of Justice Antonin Scalia in February. President Barack Obama has nominated federal appeals court Judge Merrick Garland to take Scalia's place, but Garland has not received a hearing or a vote in the Republican-controlled Senate.

Late June often is when a retirement is announced, but voluntary departures from the court almost never happen in election years.

The justices handed down five rulings on Thursday, including two cases that ended in 4-4 ties.

A look at the remaining cases:

■ **Abortion:** Texas abortion clinics are challenging a state law and regulations that already have cut the number of abortion providers in half, to roughly 20. Fewer than 10 would remain if the 2013 law were allowed to take full effect. One positive sign for the clinics is that only Justices Stephen Breyer and Elena Kagan, who generally side with abortion rights advocates, have yet to write opinions from the session in late February and early March when the case was argued. Each justice typically writes at least one majority opinion from each argument session.

■ **Public corruption:** The justices seemed likely to side with McDonnell, who is challenging his conviction for accepting gifts and loans from a wealthy businessman in exchange for promoting a dietary supplement. A ruling for McDonnell could make it harder to prosecute public officials.

■ **Guns:** Two men from Maine are challenging their convictions for possessing guns under a federal law that is intended to keep guns out of the hands of people who have previously been convicted of domestic violence.

Fed Reserve Bank of Dallas delves into energy sector

■ Survey: E&P and service companies expect no change in hiring

By Mella McEwen
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As it prepares to launch its new quarterly energy survey results this week, the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas offered a sample of results from the first quarter.

Declining to disclose much ahead of the Wednesday release, Michael Plante, senior research economist, explained the survey's origins.

"The Dallas Fed has been running the Texas Business Outlook (of manufacturing and services) for a while. We've discussed doing something with the energy sector," he said in a phone interview from his Dallas office.

"We were extremely interested over the last year, given what was happening with oil prices," he said.

Plante said that although the oil and gas industry does not have quite the economic importance to the Federal Reserve's District 11 as it did in the 1980s, "it's still important to the regional economy."

District 11 encompasses Texas, southern New Mexico and northern Louisiana.

"Because we're in District 11, we had enough firms that we can ask both exploration and production companies and service companies separate questions," said Plante, who serves as project manager.

He did release responses to three special questions asked of both E&P and service companies in the first quarter.

Asked what West Texas Intermediate price companies would need to cover expenses for existing oil wells in the two top areas in which they operate, prices ranged from $30 to $45 a barrel. Permian Basin, Eagle Ford and Oklahoma producers responded with an average of $29.

At the time of the survey, WTI futures prices were well below that level but have since rebounded close to those break-even levels, he said.

Asked what WTI price would be needed to profitably drill a new well in the two top areas, Louisiana operators averaged $50. Permian Basin operators averaged $53 and Eagle Ford $54. In the Permian Basin, prices ranged from a low of $35 to a high of $75.

Asked how they expected employment to change, a majority of E&P respondents — 38 — expected no change at their firms, while a majority of service companies — 18 — also expected no change. Nine E&P companies and 10 service companies expected a significant decrease.

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Did you know In May, Trump's campaign donations totaled $3 million, about one-tenth what Clinton raised. Read more on Page 7A.

The big number SweePee, a Chinese Crested mix, won $15,000 for first place at the World's Ugliest Dog contest. See a picture of SweePee on Page 4A.

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

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Obituaries

Jennifer Lynn Martin

Jennifer Lynn Martin, of Midland, Texas, went home to her Heavenly Father on June 24, 2016 after a long battle with cancer and was surrounded by her family.

Jennifer was born on December 10, 1962 in Spokane, Washington. Jennifer moved to Walla Walla, Washington and attended Walla Walla High School. There she met her husband, Michael, and graduated in 1981.

Jennifer and Michael moved to Midland in 1982. Jennifer married Michael on June 9, 1983. She was the devoted mother to four children, Matthew, Benjamin, Jeffrey, and Jennifer Beth. She was the proud grandmother to her princess and prince, Leathy and Maddox.

Jennifer was a dedicated realtor at Legacy Real Estate. Although she was a realtor for 16 years, she never worked a day in her life because she loved her job. She went above and beyond for her clients and made lifelong friends with her co-workers.

Jennifer loved the sunshine. She spent many days poolside, watching her children and grandchildren splash in the pool. She was a mom not only to her children, but also everyone that came over.

She is survived by her husband of 33 years, Michael Martin of Midland; sons, Matthew Martin and wife Ali, Benjamin Martin and wife Kalli, and Jeffrey Martin, all of Midland; daughter, Jennifer Beth and long-term boyfriend Braden Ellison of Austin, Texas; grandchildren, Leathy and Maddox Martin of Midland; parents, Elaine Warwick of Kennewick, Washington and Robert Warwick of Enterprise, Alabama; mother-in-law, Penny Chenoweth of Elgin, Oregon; brother, Bob Warwick and wife Ronda of Prosser, Washington; sister, Wendy Warwick of Coppell, Texas; as well as by many extended family members.

She is preceded in death by her grandparents Herbert and Ester Bryce; Robert and Della Warwick; and father-in-law Arnold Chenoweth.

A visitation will be held Tuesday, June 28, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home, 801 Andrews Highway, Midland, Texas.

A memorial service is schedule for Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. The memorial will be held at Ellis Funeral Home.

A graveside service will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park, 4616 North Big Spring Street, Midland, Texas.

Condolences may be offered to the family at *www.ellisfunerals.com* .

Donations can be directed to National Cervical Cancer Coalition to help promote awareness and to find a cure.

She is gone but will never be forgotten, as she would sing…

"Gray skies are gonna clear up,
Put on a happy face,
Brush off the clouds and cheer up,
Put on a happy face."

Death Notices

Belinda Moore

Belinda Moore, 65, of Midland, Texas, passed away on Saturday, June 25, 2016. Family services will be held with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

She is survived by her daughters, Jennifer Villarreal, Sondra Demko, Cynthia Gonzales, and Shauna Schiermeyer; and by three siblings.

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AP file photo

Prince performs at the Billboard Music Awards at the MGM Grand Garden Arena on May 19, 2013 in Las Vegas. Prince was honored at the BET Awards on Sunday. He was found dead at his home April 21 in suburban Minneapolis. He was 57.

Stevie Wonder, Hudson honor Prince

By Mesfin Fekadu
Associated Press

Vocal queen Jennifer Hudson, Stevie Wonder and Tori Kelly kept the theme of the BET Awards — paying tribute to Prince — alive with adoring, passionate performances on Sunday.

Hudson, rocking a white-hooded blazer, and Wonder, in a purple suit, sang "Purple Rain" — a month after the piano-playing icon performed the song with Madonna at the Billboard Music Awards, which BET dissed on Twitter. This time, Hudson was a vocal powerhouse, delivering screeching vocals while Wonder played piano and Kelly played the guitar — all while various photos of Prince appeared on the purple stage.

Wonder and Kelly also gave "Take Me With U" a funky vibe at the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles.

After the performance, Beyonce won video of the year for her hit, "Formation."

"I want to thank, first of all, her husband and her daughter," Beyonce's mother, Tina, said onstage. She said Beyonce had to quickly leave the awards show after her performance for a concert in London.

Earlier in the night, the Roots backed Bilal as he sang "The Beautiful Ones" in a high falsetto. He was sensual and passionate, even lying on the floor while singing near the end of the performance. Audience members — including Fantasia, Tyrese and Jidenna — stood up to sing along and cheer him on. The Roots were also behind Erykah Badu as she performed "The Ballad of Dorothy Parker," singing softly as she grooved in place.

The performers were introduced by comedian-actor Dave Chappelle, who famously impersonated Prince on his parody show years ago.

Janelle Monae hit the stage, and Sheila E. closed the awards show honoring the man to whom she was once engaged.

The BET Awards also took some political turns Sunday. When "Empire" star Taraji P. Henson won best actress, she encouraged the audience to vote against presumptive Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump.

"I'm really not political but it's serious out here, and for those who thing that, you know, 'Oh he's not going to win' — think again. So we really need to pull together and turn this country around," she said.

Co-host Tracee Ellis Ross said she was supporting Hillary Clinton and reminded viewers several times to "get yourself registered!" Clinton has a past with BET: She appeared at BET's "Black Girls Rock!" event in April and told the audience "my life has been changed by strong black women leaders."

Bill Cunningham, NY Times fashion photographer, dies at 87

By Michael Balsamo
Associated Press

AP file photo

New York Times photographer Bill Cunningham shoots the Michael Kors Spring 2015 collection, during Fashion Week on Sept. 10, 2014 in New York. Cunningham, a longtime fashion photographer for The New York Times known for taking pictures of everyday people on the streets of New York, has died. He was 87. Cunningham died Saturday in New York City, according to Eileen Murphy, a spokeswoman for the newspaper. He had been hospitalized recently after suffering a stroke.

NEW YORK — Bill Cunningham, a longtime fashion photographer for The New York Times known for taking pictures of everyday people on the streets of New York, has died. He was 87.

Cunningham died Saturday in New York City, according to Eileen Murphy, a spokeswoman for the newspaper. He had been hospitalized recently after suffering a stroke.

"To see a Bill Cunningham street spread was to see all of New York," New York Times Executive Editor Dean Baquet said in a tweet posted to the newspaper's Twitter account Saturday afternoon.

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio said Cunningham would be remembered for his trademark blue jacket and traveling by bicycle with a small camera bag strapped to his waist, "but most of all we will remember the vivid, vivacious New York he captured in his photos."

Cunningham began publishing a regular series of photographs in the Times in 1978 after a chance photograph of Greta Garbo got the attention of the storied paper.

After dropping out of Harvard University in 1948, the Boston-born Cunningham moved to New York where he worked as a hat maker and in advertising before being drafted into the U.S. Army. After a stint in the Army, Cunningham returned to New York where he wrote fashion pieces for the Chicago Tribune. He soon segued into photography and started taking photographs of people on the streets before joining the Times.

In a 2002 interview with the paper, Cunningham said he always tried to be as discreet as possible because "you get more natural pictures that way."

"I suppose, in a funny way, I'm a record keeper. More than a collector," he said. "I'm very aware of things not of value but of historical knowledge."

Cunningham was the subject of a 2010 documentary, "Bill Cunningham New York." In 2014, the New-York Historical Society featured a series of photographs Cunningham took long before his images of street fashion became a regular newspaper feature. Taken between 1968 and 1976, he worked on a whimsical photo essay of models in period costumes posing against historic sites of the same vintage.

Astride his bike, he searched secondhand shops for antique clothing and looked for architectural sites across the city to create the perfect tableaux.

OTHERDEATHS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

IOWA

Longtime Iowa sportscaster Bob Brooks dies at age 89

CEDAR RAPIDS — Longtime Iowa sports broadcaster Bob Brooks, whose career covering athletics of every kind spanned seven decades, has died. He was 89.

Brooks' son, Rob Brooks, says his father died Saturday.

The Des Moines Register reports that Brooks was born in Cedar Rapids and graduated from the city's Franklin High School in 1944. That was the same year he began his first broadcasting job at a local radio station, which he kept through his four years at the University of Iowa.

Affectionately known as "Brooksie," he worked for a variety of Iowa radio and television stations throughout his career. For the last 15 years, he covered sports for Cedar Rapids radio station KMRY, until his recent illness.

Besides his son, Brooks is survived by his wife, Susie.

TORONTO

Award-winning Barbadian-born author Austin Clarke dies at 81

Austin Clarke, the award-winning Barbadian-born author who wrote about the immigrant experience and being black in Canada, has died at age 81.

His publicist Denise Bukowski said Clarke died in a hospital early Sunday morning, and a funeral service has been scheduled for July 9.

Clarke won the prestigious Scotiabank Giller Prize and the Commonwealth Writers Prize for his 2002 novel "The Polished Hoe." The novel tells the story of Mary Mathilda, a plantation owner's black mistress who confesses to a brutal crime.

His memoir and final work, titled "Membering," was published last year. The book describes his moving to Canada in 1955 to study at the University of Toronto and his early days as a journalist covering the civil rights movement in New York's Harlem in the 1960s.

MICHIGAN

State Rep. Plawecki dies at age 54

LANSING — State Rep. Julie Plawecki of Dearborn Heights has died while hiking with a daughter in Oregon. She was 54.

State Sen. David Knezek, a fellow Democrat from Dearborn Heights, announced Plawecki's death late Saturday night on Facebook. House Minority Leader Tim Greimel released a statement Sunday saying the caucus was deeply saddened by her death. A spokeswoman for Greimel, Katie Carey, said Plawecki's family said she died of an apparent heart attack.

Plawecki was elected in 2014 and was unopposed in the August primary. Plawecki previously was a medical technologist and a teacher.

She is survived by her husband, Mark, a Wayne County district judge, and three adult daughters.

Gov. Rick Snyder said the state had lost a "fine and dedicated public servant" and described her passing as "a shock."

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[loo-dik]
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1. playful in an aimless way; the ludic behavior of kittens.

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Owners of AR-style firearms defend their weapon of choice

By Lisa Marie Pane
Associated Press

AP Photo/Lisa Marie Pane

Dara Humphries, an NRA and Glock firearms instructor, poses for a portrait Friday in Gainesville, Ga., holding an AR-platform rifle at a gun range. An estimated 8 million AR-style guns have been sold since they were first introduced to the public in the 1960s, and about half of them are owned by current or former members of the military or law enforcement, according to the National Shooting Sports Foundation, which represents gunmakers.

ATLANTA — Karen Butler still remembers the first time she picked up an AR-15-style rifle a decade ago.

"Quite honestly, I was scared of it," she recalls.

But as soon as she fired it, she became a fan.

"You know some of these people that are fearful, it's just because they don't have knowledge," she said. "We call it furniture — it's got all the accessories on it that make it look a little intimidating. But once you shoot it you realize it's so much fun."

Butler, of Huntsville, Alabama, started Shoot Like a Girl, an outfit that seeks to introduce and inspire women to participate in shooting sports.

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Even the name stirs up controversy. "AR" does not stand for "assault rifle," as many believe, but for ArmaLite Rifle, a nod to the company that first designed it for military use.

Assault weapons are fully automatic; the bullets keep flying for as long as the trigger is depressed. AR-style guns are semi-automatic, meaning the trigger has to be pulled separately for each shot.

More than 12,000 people were killed last year in the United States by guns, and most of those incidents involved handguns.

A tiny fraction involved an AR-style gun. But of those, most have been high-profile shootings, including the nightclub shooting in Orlando, Florida, where Omar Mateen used a Sig Sauer MCX model in an attack that killed 49 people.

That shooting has revived calls for banning ARs among critics who believe it is too powerful and too deadly, with standard magazines that hold 20 to 30 rounds, compared with handguns that generally hold nine to 15 rounds.

Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton has called for reinstating a ban that expired in 2004. "We have to make it harder for people who should not have those weapons of war," she said the day after June 12 shooting.

For Dara Humphries, the AR-style firearm isn't to be feared, scorned or banned. Rather, she says, it's just a different type of weapon with a different feel.

"It's like driving a truck versus driving a car, a sports car. Every firearm has a different feel to it," said Humphries, an NRA instructor based in Georgia. "So a Ruger Mini 14 may feel like a Jaguar to you and may feel like a truck to me and vice versa. And to me an AR-15 feels like a smooth ride whereas a Ruger feels like a bumpy truck."

Humphries, who also goes by the nickname Tactical Barbie, believes the debate over gun measures has focused too much on the firearm and not enough on the person behind the gun.

"Normal people who purchase guns don't do this," she said of mass shooters. "If I want to defend my home and my family then I have the right to do that. We're legal gun owners who aren't out there shooting people up."

Erich Pratt, executive director of Gun Owners of America, says the AR-style firearm is easy to use, has little recoil and can be customized, such as with a collapsible stock, making it easier for women to handle.

While it's too large to carry concealed, he and others describe it as a good weapon for home defense or in other crises.

"When you're facing multiple attackers, you want something that will shoot more than six rounds," Pratt said.

He and others in the gun lobby say the AR is targeted because of the way it looks, and any fears are misplaced because it's only cosmetically different from other types of rifles and long guns.

Kevin Michalowski, executive editor of Concealed Carry magazine, first fired an AR-15 in the early 1990s while hunting coyotes in South Dakota. He found it easier to use and more accurate than his old bolt-action rifle.

He now owns three.

While you can "do all kinds of cool things" with the AR — adding a scope or optics, putting a flashlight on the barrel, changing the stock — "none of this stuff makes a firearm any more deadly," Michalowski said.

For Shoot Like a Girl's Butler, shooting was inspiring.

After a divorce in her 30s that undermined her confidence, she went to the shooting range with a group of friends.

She started shooting at Gatorade bottles and by the end of the day was using bottle caps as targets.

"I went in there feeling like a failure in life, and I walked out having this renewed confidence," said Butler, 49.

Butler said she believes the anger directed at the AR is unfair and misdirected. "It's a shame because we don't have the same outcry over knives, over baseball bats, over texting and driving, over all of these other things that are killing Americans every single day," she said.

AP Photo/Steven Styles

Paramedics rush a stabbing victim away on a gurney after members of right-wing extremists groups holding a rally outside the California state Capitol building clashed with counter-protesters Sunday in Sacramento, authorities said. Sacramento Police spokesman Matt McPhail said the Traditionalist Workers Party had scheduled and received a permit to protest at noon Sunday in front of the Capitol. McPhail said a group showed up to demonstrate against them.

At least 7 stabbed at protest outside California Capitol

By Olga R. Rodriguez
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — At least seven people were stabbed Sunday when counter-protesters clashed with members of right-wing extremists groups that planned to hold a rally outside the California state Capitol building in Sacramento, authorities said.

California Highway Patrol Officer George Granada said about 30 members of the Traditionalist Worker Party were gathering for a rally around noon Sunday when they were met by about 400 counter-protesters and a fight broke out.

As people tried to leave the area, smaller fights broke out, Granada said. He said no arrests had been made as of Sunday afternoon.

He said the Capitol remained on lockdown three hours after the large fight broke out but that things had calmed down and only about 70 "anti-fascists" remained in the area.

Videos from the melee posted on social media showed mounted police officers dispersing a group of mainly youth, some with their faces covered, while some throw stones toward a man holding a stick and being shielded by police officers in riot gear.

Sacramento Fire Department spokesman Chris Harvey said many other people had cuts, scrapes and bruises.

"There was a large number of people carrying sticks and rushing to either get into the melee or see what was going on," Harvey said.

The victims were all

Please see STABBING/4A

Fentanyl worries change how narcotics officers operate

By Jim Salter
Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — The street version of fentanyl blamed in the deaths of thousands of Americans is also threatening police officers, forcing changes in long-standing basics of drug investigations, from confiscations to testing and undercover operations, law enforcement officials say.

Overdose deaths have surged as drugs such as heroin, cocaine and counterfeit prescription pills are now commonly laced with fentanyl to increase potency, though drug investigators say it is increasingly sold by itself, too. A speck the size of a few grains of salt can potentially kill a 250-pound (113-kilogram) man, said Tommy Farmer, special agent in charge of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

Fentanyl can be absorbed through the skin or inhaled if it becomes airborne. Because such a small amount can be deadly, police agencies big and small are changing the way they go about keeping

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Things to do

- Building Bots, 1-2 p.m., Midland County Public Library-Downtown, 301 W. Missouri Ave. co.midland.tx.us/lib.
- Children's Yoga at the Library for ages 8-13, 1:30 p.m., Midland County Public Library-Centennial, 2503 W. Loop 250 N. co.midland.tx.us/lib.
- Teen Maker Mondays: Building with littleBits, 2-4 p.m., Midland County Public Library-Centennial, 2503 W. Loop 250 N. co.midland.tx.us/lib.
- Kid's Summer Cooking Classes: Brunch Bunch, 3:30-5 p.m., Hight Foods, 3320 N. Midkiff Road. Participants ages 4-14 can learn to cook, bakes or prepare a variety of eats with throughout the summer. $50. hightfoods.com.
- Arts and Crafts for children age 6-12, 5:30 p.m., MLK Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. $1.
- Monday Mayhem features unlimited bowling for $14.09 with free shoe rentals after 8 p.m. Bowlero, 5320 W. Loop 250 N. bowlero.com.

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Commissioners' Court
9 a.m.
Midland County Courthouse auxiliary courtroom.
500 N. Loraine Ave.

Midland Development Corp.
9:30 a.m.
City Hall basement
300 N. Loraine Ave.

MISD
5:30 p.m.
First floor boardroom
615 W. Missouri Ave.

Pool hours today

Swimming pools to open Saturday
Doug Russell Aquatic Center, located at 900 Midland Drive, noon to 7 p.m.
Washington Aquatic Center, located at 1601 E. Indiana Ave., is not open today
The cost of entry at city of Midland pools is $3 per person, with free admission for children under the age of 2.

Source: City of Midland

Club meetings today

- Barbershop Harmony Chorus, 7 p.m., Rea Greathouse Room at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 553-1952 or 425-5662
- Tall City VFW Post 7208 bingo games, 7 p.m., 1303 E. Taylor
- Midland Amateur Radio Club, 7:30 p.m., clubhouse, Loop 250 and Lamesa Road. 561-9729.

What's on the radio

News talk
KCRS (AM 550)
- 6-9 a.m. The Morning Drive with Robert Hallmark & Kurt Vertei
- 9-11 a.m. Lynn Woolley
- 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Rush Limbaugh
- 2-5 p.m. Dave Ramsey
- 5-6 p.m. Local News with KOSA
- 6-9 p.m. Lars Larson
- 9-midnight Joe Pags
- midnight-4 a.m. George Noory
- 4-6 a.m. Gordon Deal

Web: http://www.newstalkkcrs.com/

KWEL (AM 1070, FM 107.1)
- 6-10 a.m. The Morning Show with Craig Anderson
- 10 a.m.-noon, Herman Cain
- Noon-2 p.m. Glenn Beck
- 2-5 p.m. Sean Hannity
- 5-7 p.m. The West Texas Round-Up of News and Talk

Web: http://www.kwel.com

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

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

This date in Texas

On June 27, 1957, more than 500 people were killed when Hurricane Audrey slammed through coastal Louisiana and Texas.

Source: Associated Press

Freedom Run

Registration is open for 5K Freedom Run, which is planned for Saturday. The chip-timed race will start at 8 a.m. from First Baptist Church north parking lot, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave.

Proceeds from the race will benefit the Midland Municipal Employees Scholarship Fund, a non-profit organization that provides college scholarships to dependents of city employees. The entry fee is $30 through June 29 and $35 the day of the race. The first 200 registrants will receive an event T-shirt. All registrants will be eligible for the chance to win a GoPro camera, according to a press release from the city.

To register, go to www.midland-texas.gov/freedomrun. For more information, contact Gabe McClelland, MMESF board president, at gmcclelland@midlandtexas.gov or 685-7983.

Today in history

Today is Monday, June 27, the 179th day of 2016. There are 187 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1787, English historian Edward Gibbon completed work on his six-volume work, "The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire."

First place winner SweePee Rambo, a 17-year-old Chinese Crested Chihuahua, is cradled by her owner Jason Wurtz of Encino after the World's Ugliest Dog Contest at the Sonoma-Marin Fair on Friday in Petaluma, Calif.

Alvin Jornada/The Press Democrat via AP

Blind dog with oozing sore wins World's Ugliest Dog contest

Associated Press

PETALUMA, Calif. — A 17-year-old Chinese Crested Chihuahua with legs bowed out like a frog and an oozing sore is the winner of this year's World's Ugliest Dog contest.

SweePee Rambo took home the title at the annual Petaluma World's Ugliest Dog contest Friday night at the Sonoma-Marin Fair-grounds after besting 15 other malformed pooches, The Santa Rosa Press Democrat reported Saturday.

Judges in the contest, now on its 28th year, take into account bad appearance, including stench, poor complexion and a host of other inherited and acquired maladies.

SweePee has a mohawk that glistens in the sun and a tongue that sticks out. She is blind in both eyes and has to wear doggie diapers.

Owner Jason Wurtz, 44, of Encino, said he got the dog as a gift for his first wife but after a week she didn't want anything to do with the gremlin-like pooch.

Wurtz, however, said he couldn't bear to let her go, calling her a "ride or die chick" in the description he wrote for the contest.

When the 4-pound Chinese Crested Chihuahua mix was announced the winner, Wurtz's younger brother, Jeffrey Wurtz, burst into tears, shouting Swee-Pee's name, and shaking a homemade sign that read "SweePee Rambo for President 2016."

The presidential election was a theme present in the contest.

One pup named Himisaboo, who didn't place, had a flowing golden tuft that resembled that of the presumptive Republican nominee for president.

"Whether you love him, or loathe him, a vote for Himisaboo is a vote for a dog that looks like Donald Trump," said Heather Wilson, Himisaboo's owner, who drove out from Idaho for the occasion.

Jason Wurtz and Swee-Pee took the first-place title and trophy and a prize of $15,000.

He says he will use the money to pay for the removal of a tumor that recently popped up on SweePee's gum line.

FENTANYL

From 3A

officers safe. James Shroba, special agent in charge of the Drug Enforcement Administration's office in St. Louis, said agents are even trained in how to give themselves the anti-overdose Narcan in case of accidental exposure to fentanyl because "if they actually touch it or inhale it, they could die."

"This is a whole different dynamic of how we process evidence," Shroba said.

Fentanyl, a synthetic opiate, can be legally used, typically in a patch, by those in severe pain, such as end-stage cancer patients. The street version, which is mostly made in China or Mexico, comes in various forms — tablets, patches, powder, spray. The DEA says it is 40 to 50 times more potent than heroin. Experts say its potency can vary because it is haphazardly manufactured, creating the risk of instant death. Music legend Prince died of a fentanyl overdose in April, though authorities are still investigating whether it was obtained legally or illegally.

Fentanyl and other synthetic opioids were involved in 5,554 overdose deaths in 2014, a 79 percent increase over 2013, according to U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data. Statistics for 2015 and 2016 aren't available, but narcotics officers say the problem is getting worse.

The danger extends beyond the user. The potency makes it potentially deadly for first-responders. No police deaths have been blamed on fentanyl, but there have been close calls.

Atlantic County, New Jersey, detective Dan Kallen and colleagues were searching a home in August when they found a box full of drug paraphernalia, along with a bag of white powder. Kallen and detective Eric Price opened the bag and performed a field test to determine what it was. A small amount became airborne as Kallen closed up the bag, he said.

Suddenly, both detectives became ill.

"It hit us like a ton of bricks," Kallen, 40, said. "It became very difficult to breathe. Our hearts were racing. We were nauseous, close to blacking out.

"I felt like, 'Holy crap, I'm going to die right now,'" Kallen said.

Both detectives were rushed to the hospital and made full recoveries. Testing later showed the confiscated drugs were cocaine and heroin mixed with fentanyl.

"We got the party platter," Kallen said.

Fighting the drug trade is inherently dangerous. In addition to the threat of violence posed by drug lords, distributors and dealers, narcotics officers face risks such as inadvertent needle pricks and exposure to deadly chemicals and fires from methamphetamine production.

Fentanyl is a game-changer, though, many leading law enforcement officials told The Associated Press.

"We definitely see it as the next big danger," Farmer said. "With fentanyl, if the officer is simply patting somebody down, or if he's getting a little bit out to try to do a field test and it accidentally comes in contact with his skin or the wind blows it in his face, he could have a serious problem."

The DEA issued a memo this month urging police to use caution from the outset of a stop. Officers should wear protective gloves before reaching into a suspect's pockets in order to avoid skin contact with loose fentanyl, and wear masks to protect their lungs in case it becomes airborne. The DEA discouraged field testing of drugs, saying confiscated materials should be sent straight to a lab.

The drug is also affecting undercover work, which is the basis of many investigations.

Lt. Jason Grellner of the Franklin County (Missouri) Sheriff's Department said undercover officers are being told to accept drugs in baggies or aluminum foil, not directly by hand.

"Any number of things can occur and kill you," said Grellner, who is also the president of the Missouri Narcotics Officers Association.

Sgt. Mike Toles, of the Indiana State Police, agreed.

"We're telling our people, 'If someone is telling you this is methamphetamine or heroin, don't take their word for it. Assume it is fentanyl," Toles said.

The DEA keeps Narcan at the ready during undercover operations, with officers monitoring from afar ready to assist the undercover officer in case of exposure, Shroba said.

The concerns extend to police dogs, which can be imperiled if they get too big a whiff of fentanyl. The DEA memo urges handlers to be careful with their dogs.

"They're going to take in a larger dose because that's how they're trained to sniff it out," Shroba said.

Kallen, who has been a detective for 15 years, said his encounter forever changed the way he does his job.

A majority of our stuff has fentanyl in it," Kallen said. "We don't even field test. It's not worth it to open up those bags and put that stuff in the air or get it on your skin."

SITTON

From 1A

pipelines.

MRT: What will the Trans-Pecos Pipeline mean for the Texas and Mexico economies?

Sitton: I think it's vital to both. Having made a trip to Mexico two months ago, we heard them talking about how one of their top priorities is to expand their electricity production using natural gas. We are, by far, the largest provider of natural gas to Mexico.

So, it's crucial to them. It will enable them to build a robust energy infrastructure, and it's a huge economic opportunity for us to sell that natural gas and gain a trade advantage. In other words, we sell that raw product and bring in those revenues both from a business perspective and a tax perspective right back into the state of Texas. So, it's absolutely huge.

The Trans-Pecos Pipeline has been met with some fairly public opposition in places like Alpine, and I think that speaks to the fact that the Railroad Commission really has an opportunity to assure residents in areas that haven't seen this kind of development before, they need to know we're on the job, that we are studying these things, that our rules and regulations are robust. I feel very confident about them, but we are working hard to communicate with those residents so that they feel confident, as well.

MRT: A recent Bloomberg article reported that previously undocumented abandoned wells in Pennsylvania have become revitalized by nearby hydraulic fracturing jobs, and thus are contaminating the environment, including water. Have you seen this in Texas?

Sitton: There's a term we have called 'communication.' That's when one well — and it doesn't have to be because of hydraulic fracturing — seems to be affected by the service pressure of another well. We do see that — in other words, we do hear people talk about that and monitor that. I am not aware of an issue where an old, plugged well was (affected) when someone was putting in a new well and doing a hydraulic fracturing job caused an old well that we didn't know about to have some sort of negative impact on the community.

We monitor that pretty closely. At the Railroad Commission, we know where the wells are. We've tracked them for almost 100 years. That's not to say we're perfect. I'm sure there are some out there from a long time ago (we don't know about), but these things are monitored very closely.

We see cases all the time where someone wants to put in a disposal well or drill a new well, and our examiners will put specific requirements on them to keep them from potentially impacting or communicating with an old well.

We are on top of that and aware of the issue, and, as far as I know, we have never had a problem with contaminating groundwater.

MRT: What do you make of the recent federal judge's decision to deny the president's ban on fracturing on public lands?

Sitton: It's a landmark case for a couple of reasons. First of all, the judge that struck it down was an Obama appointee. That's pretty newsworthy because what we've seen in recent history, especially with Obama appointees, is that more often than not, politics tends to trump good constitutional law decisions.

In this case, I really applaud the judge. He seemed to steer very clear of politics in this decision and talked very clearly about what powers were enumerated to the executive branch, that Congress had not given this power to the executive branch. He talked about activities that were going on the states, and I think that this sends a very broad message that states have been regulating this and have a very good track record at regulation.

As the guy who's running the most comprehensive agency in the country in terms of the breadth of our abilities and the breadth of our expertise, I think this speaks directly to the fact that we should be the ones doing this, not a group of bureaucrats that have no expertise in this. I think that this very much validates that message.

MRT: What other federal issues are you looking at or anticipating?

Sitton: We're always monitoring (federal actions), such as the new methane rules and the clean power plan. We see some smaller issues that are less public like the issues around Joe Pool Dam and Joe Pool Lake in the Dallas area, where we are engaging in dealing with the Army Corps of Engineers, or (Traffic Incident Management Self-Assessment) rules with the Department of Transportation.

There are lots of things that we are monitoring to make sure that we are leading on that regulation, not just representing our state well, but representing best practices well.

MRT: Do you have any parting comments?

Sitton: There is so much going on right now in the energy industry in this state that we're moving very aggressively at the Railroad Commission to stay engaged with the public.

One of our big jobs is to be out in the communities, whether it's a coal mine, the Trans-Pecos Pipeline, oil wells and seismicity in the D-FW area, there's so much going on that we're working very hard to be out around the state and be engaged in those communities.

We always ask that people who have questions to reach out to us. We want them to talk to us.

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

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From 1A

while a slight decrease was expected by 18 E&P companies and 28 service companies. A slight increase was expected by eight E&P and 20 service companies.

The survey sampled 200 oil and gas companies. Plante said there was an 85 percent response rate.

"There was very enthusiastic response," he said.

The second-quarter survey asks participants when they expect the global oil market to come into balance, and what factor they believe will be most important in bringing about the rebalancing process. It also asks what participants expect crude oil and natural gas prices to be at the end of the year.

STABBING

From 3A

present while a protest took place, said Sacramento Police spokesman Matt McPhail but he said it was still unclear whether and how they were involved.

The Traditionalist Workers Party had scheduled and received a permit to protest at noon Sunday in front of the Capitol. McPhail said a group showed up to demonstrate against them.

The Southern Poverty Law Center has described TWP as a group formed in 2015 as the political wing of the Traditionalist Youth Network, which aims to "indoctrinate high school and college students into white nationalism."

Matthew Heimbach, chairman of the Traditionalist Worker Party, told the Los Angeles Times that his group and the Golden State Skinheads organized the Sunday rally. Heimbach said that in the clash, one of their marchers had been stabbed in an artery and six of the counter-protesters had also been stabbed.

Vice chairman Matt Parrott, who was not present at the Sacramento rally, blamed "leftist radicals" for instigating the violence.

A message left at a phone number for the Traditionalist Worker Party was not immediately returned to The Associated Press.

A post recently uploaded to site of the Traditionalist Youth Network said TWP members planned to march in Sacramento to protest against globalization and in defense of their right to free expression. They said they expected to be outnumbered 10-to-1 by counter-protesters.

"We concluded that it was time to use this rally to make a statement about the precarious situation our race is in," the Traditionalist Youth Network statement said. "With our folk on the brink of becoming a disarmed, disengaged, and disenfranchised minority, the time to do something was yesterday!"

Fallujah fully liberated from IS group, Iraqi commander says

By Sinan Salaheddin and Susannah George
Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Five weeks after a military operation began, a senior Iraqi commander declared Sunday that the city of Fallujah was "fully liberated" from the Islamic State group, giving a major boost to the country's security and political leadership in its fight against the extremists.

Recapturing Fallujah, the first city to fall to the Islamic State group more than two years ago, means that authorities can now set their sights on militant-held Mosul, Iraq's second-largest city.

Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi, visiting central Fallujah with the celebrating troops, vowed that the Iraqi flag would next be raised above Mosul. But that campaign has been progressing in fits and starts, revealing the deep divisions among the different groups that make up the security forces.

Iraqi troops entered Fallujah's northwestern neighborhood of al-Julan, the last part of the city under IS control, said Lt. Gen. Abdul-Wahab al-Saadi, head of the counterterrorism forces in the operation.

The operation, which began May 22, "is done, and the city is fully liberated," al-Saadi told The Associated Press.

Al-Abadi, dressed in the black fatigues of the counterterrorism forces and carrying an Iraqi flag, visited Fallujah's central hospital Sunday evening and called for residents of the city 40 miles west of Baghdad to celebrate the military advance.

But tens of thousands of people from Fallujah who were forced to flee their homes during the operation are still at overcrowded camps for the displaced with limited shelter in the Anbar desert. The U.S.-led coalition said it was still conducting airstrikes in the area, and aid groups warned it was too early to say when residents could return to their homes in the city, citing the presence of makeshift bombs left behind by the militants.

The Fallujah operation was carried out by Iraq's elite counterterrorism troops, Iraqi federal police, Anbar provincial police and an umbrella group of government- sanctioned militia fighters — mostly Shiites — who are known as the Popular Mobilization Forces.

Fallujah, a predominantly Sunni city, was a stronghold of insurgents following the U.S.-led invasion in 2003. More than 100 American soldiers died and hundreds more were wounded in intense, house-by-house fighting there in 2004. Many residents of the city welcomed the Islamic State group when it overran the city in 2014, complicating the fight by government troops to retake it.

The IS militants who had held out for more than a week on the northern and western edges of Fallujah largely collapsed early Sunday under a barrage from coalition warplanes, including a single airstrike that killed 47 fighters in the Jolan neighborhood, said Brig. Haider al-Obeidi of Iraq's special forces.

"From the center of al-Julan neighborhood, we congratulate the Iraqi people and the commander in chief ... and declare that the Fallujah fight is over," al-Saadi told Iraqi state TV, flanked by troops.

Some of the soldiers shot their weapons into the air, sang and waved Iraqi flags.

"The coalition continues to provide support through strikes, intelligence, and advice and assistance to the Iraqi Security Forces operating in Fallujah and will continue to do so through deliberate clearing operations," said U.S. Army Col. Christopher Garver, the spokesman for the coalition.

Al-Abadi initially declared victory in Fallujah more than a week ago, after Iraqi forces advanced into the city center and took control of a government complex. He pledged that remaining pockets of IS fighters would be cleared out within hours, but fierce clashes on the city's northern and western edges persisted for days.

Iraq's defense minister tweeted that 90 percent of the city is "safe and inhabitable," but aid groups advise the government to exercise more caution.

The U.N. refugee agency said more than 85,000 people have fled Fallujah and the surrounding area since the offensive began. The UNHCR and others have warned of dire conditions in the camps, where temperatures are well over 104 degrees Fahrenheit and shelter is limited. Officials have called for more funds to meet mounting needs.

"It is still too early to speak of (civilians returning to Fallujah)," said Karl Schembri of the Norwegian Refugee Council, an international humanitarian organization that does extensive work in Anbar province. UNHCR's representative in Iraq, Bruno Geddo, also said that families are expected to remain in camps "for some time as (Fallujah) is reported to be littered with IEDs" — makeshift bombs and booby traps.

Schembri said clearing away the bombs could take anywhere from days to months.

"We need a thorough demining of civilian areas and safety assessments ...fore civilians are given the option to go back," he said. "The situation in the camps is extremely dire, but we are also not in a position to ensure that people will get supplies and services inside Fallujah either."

When civilians initially returned to Ramadi after it was declared fully liberated from the militants in February, about 100 people were killed by booby-trapped explosives. The time-consuming de-mining process there continues.

Besides Mosul, IS extremists still control significant areas in northern and western Iraq. The group, which swept across Syria and Iraq in the summer of 2014, declared an Islamic caliphate on that territory. At the height of its power, it was estimated to hold nearly a third of each country.

The campaign for Mosul, which lies some 225 miles northwest of Baghdad, has been bogged down by logistics problems as Iraq's political leadership jockeys over the planning of the operation.

AP Photo/Kin Cheung

Two bull statues are displayed Friday outside the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. Stock markets crashed, oil prices tumbled and the pound fell to a 31-year low on Friday as Britain's unprecedented vote to leave the European Union shocked investors and dragged the region, the world's largest economic bloc, into a new era of uncertainty.

What investors will be looking at with UK voting to leave EU

By Ken Sweet and Bernard Condon
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Britain's vote to leave the European Union last week sent shudders through financial markets, and understandably so.

Investors now enter a period of deep uncertainty, expected to last not weeks but years, impacting the EU, the world's largest collective economy with 500 million people.

An estimated $2.08 trillion worth of wealth evaporated Friday from Hong Kong, London and New York as a result of the British vote.

Investors have lots to be worried about, but those worries fall into several categories.

There are fears company investments in Britain and the EU will be put on hold, dampening those already fragile economies. Currencies are in a state of wild flux, which makes it more difficult for a country to export and import goods from abroad. The EU could face more departures from other countries, throwing the future of the economic union into doubt.

Of course, no one really knows the exact impact the unprecedented "leave" vote will have on the global economy, but that itself is a problem.

To invest long-term, companies need to have clear idea about trade rules and tariffs and regulation they will face in the future. The vote to pull out of the European Union makes an unpredictable world so much more so.

The vote to "leave" is just the latest of a series of blows to financial markets, including an economic collapse in Greece and a threatened U.S. debt default to the more recent slowdown in the Chinese economy.

Global growth has been anemic, with the world's largest economy, the U.S., still struggling from a lack of confidence and tepid business investment and consumer spending.

Even though U.S. markets were almost back to their all-time high earlier this month, corporate profits have fallen. Revenue at companies in the Standard and Poor's 500 index recently dropped for the fifth quarter in a row, nearly unheard of outside of a recession.

With nerves on edge, companies aren't spending on plants and equipment and investing in things to expand in the long term. Instead they've been playing it safe by hoarding cash.

Cash held by companies in the S&P 500 hit a record $1.35 trillion, double from the start of the bull market seven years ago, according to S&P Dow Jones Indices.

Looking forward, businesses, particularly banks and other financial services companies, will face a massive regulatory and legal headache as a result of this decision, which will likely result in business pulling back on investing in the U.K. and Europe, strategists say.

Although the U.K. uses the British pound as its currency, most of the trading of euro-denominated securities happens in the City of London, a unique entity inside of what is popularly thought of as Greater London. Major banks, European and U.S. alike, have long had operations in the City of London to take advantage of the access to European markets while remaining in the financial industry-friendly locale.

Unless U.K. negotiators are able to win some concessions in the divorce — and there's no guarantee that will happen — the trading of euro securities is likely to move to Frankfurt and Paris.

That could mean potentially tens of thousands of extremely high-paying jobs will leave the U.K.

JPMorgan Chase, Citigroup, Goldman Sachs, Bank of America and Morgan Stanley all said they are closely monitoring the situation and have contingency plans in place. In a memo to employees, JPMorgan CEO Jamie Dimon said Friday the bank might consider relocations for personnel. The bank employs about 16,000 people in the U.K. alone.

And even if Britain does win some sort of trading concession from the EU in the breakup, it's unlikely that EU negotiators are going to give Britain all of the trade benefits it had as a member of the EU.

So it becomes a question of which major British industry will be sacrificed.

"Big technology and manufacturing firms are concerned that they are going to get squeezed if the U.K. focuses too much on keeping financial services," said Andrew Hood, a U.K.-based senior director and lawyer at the firm Dechert LLP and a former adviser to Prime Minister David Cameron on international issues, including Britain's exit from the EU.

Hood said he had already heard of three deals being put on indefinite hold because of this week's vote. There were also reports that technology startups in the U.K. were having investors pull out because the funds being provided were contingent on Britain remaining in the EU.

The size of Britain's economy is of consequence also. It's the U.S.' seventh-largest trading partner and the world's fifth-largest economy.

If there's any damage done to the European Union economy, that impact could be felt in the U.S. since the EU is the U.S.'s largest trading partner.

The vote had a secondary consequence of sending the British pound to its lowest level in three decades against the dollar.

A stronger dollar sounds like a good thing, but it hurts U.S. companies by making their goods and services sold abroad more expensive in local currencies.

It also makes imports to the U.S. cheaper, making it tougher for U.S. companies selling here, too.

The worry over "uncertainty" is so great that economists have taken to tracking the word. According to a Bank of America Merrill Lynch report, Fed Chair Janet Yellen used "uncertainty" or "uncertain" 15 times in her last speech earlier this month, a jump from earlier speeches.

The title of the report, appropriately enough: "The only certainty is uncertainty."

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Gun debate brings rise of the 100 percenters

■ Just as the hard left has its abortion defenders, the right doesn't give an inch when it goes to guns

RUBEN NAVARRETTE

Washington Post Writers Group

The real threat to America is the 100 percenters.

They derail every public debate and send it careening into the ditch. They're the reason we never move a centimeter on the tough issues that require our lawmakers to show guts and character. These extremists and absolutists don't budge, negotiate or give into common sense.

You'll find such all-or-nothing types in both parties. They take no prisoners, and they're ready to die on every hill. They're not interested in forging compromise or finding solutions, and they're not satisfied with half a loaf. They don't really care about resolving problems and avoiding conflict. After all, problems and conflict are what keep them in business — by helping them raise funds.

And while liberals and conservatives will never admit it, there's no difference between hard-liners on the right and those on the left. Those who see this phenomenon so clearly in the other camp are usually blind to its existence in their own.

I got a strong taste of this poison last year, courtesy of the abortion debate. Even though I'm pro-choice, I expressed outrage and disgust over videos that appeared to show individuals affiliated with Planned Parenthood talking cavalierly about selling the organs of aborted fetuses.

The organization hired an expensive Washington-based public relations firm to spin the whole messy affair and convince Americans that there was nothing to see behind the curtain and that the videos were "heavily edited."

Yet, I found the videos authentic — and disturbing. For saying this, I was attacked by supporters of Planned Parenthood and told that I was never really pro-choice to begin with.

Well, what do you know about that? It just goes to show that sometimes we don't know our own minds.

Now, after the Orlando massacre where 29-year-old Omar Mateen killed 49 people and injured 53 others with a military-style rifle at a gay nightclub, the subject has turned to guns.

Of course, the real issue is something that the Democratic Party and its surrogates in the liberal media are too scared to confront — the fact that radical Islamic terrorism has arrived on the home front.

So they've changed the subject to guns. That's not right. But now that this is the debate, both camps have to navigate it carefully.

Gun-loving conservatives are not careful. The 100 percenters are back. But this time, they're on the right.

You might support the Second Amendment and believe, as I do, that Americans have the right to bear arms. And you might even be willing to overlook, as I am, the fact that the amendment was written in the late 1700s to provide for a "well-regulated militia" — the need for which no longer exists.

But what if you raise the issue that, while the founders were talking about the right of minutemen to own muskets, we now have to contend with semi-automatic weapons of war that can injure or kill dozens of people in just a few minutes?

What if you think these types of weapons should be banned, and the people who sell them jailed or held liable for civil damages when lawsuits are filed by the families of victims? What if you say that you're fine with the idea of limiting the number of high-capacity firearms that any one individual can own?

What if you're uncomfortable with the National Rifle Association having such low regard for law enforcement officers that — years after opposing a ban on armor-piercing "cop killer" bullets — they brush aside concerns by chiefs of police that bad guys have such easy access to heavy artillery? And what if you're distressed that the NRA treats Republicans in Congress like puppets to the point where Democrats recently had to stage a protest on the House floor to try to pressure GOP lawmakers to even hold votes on bills that would keep guns out of the hands of suspected terrorists whose names are on the government's "no-fly list"?

Moreover, what if you understand the politics — that Republicans are going to fight just as aggressively to serve the NRA, which showers them with campaign funds, as Democrats did to defend Planned Parenthood, which does the same for them?

If you think this way — in fact, if you think at all — you're likely to be told that, surprise, you never really supported the Second Amendment to begin with.

Well, what do you know about that?

OPINION EXTRA

Does Trump know the first thing about the First Amendment?

Looks like everyone pretty much behaved during Donald Trump's recent visit to Texas. Good for us as we continue to work on agreeable disagreement.

I'm going to try to achieve that as I get a bit self-righteous and self-important about something Trumpian. You're asking, "Aren't journalists always a bit (or more) self-righteous and self-important?"

No. Sometimes we sleep (albeit dreaming self-righteous, self-important dreams).

Let's talk about Trump and press freedom. He just doesn't get it, which, among other reasons, makes him a questionable entity for White House residency.

"Based on the incredibly inaccurate coverage and reporting of the record-setting Trump campaign, we are hereby revoking the press credentials of the phony and dishonest Washington Post," a grumpy Trump recently posted after a Post headline he didn't like.

Post Editor Marty Baron (you remember him from the movie "Spotlight") made the important larger point in his response, branding Trump's action as "nothing less than a repudiation of the role of a free and independent press."

"When coverage doesn't correspond to what the candidate wants it to be, then a news organization is banished," Baron wrote of how Trump operates. "The Post will continue to cover Donald Trump as it has all along — honorably, honestly, accurately, energetically and unflinchingly."

Trump, ever easy to agitate, has banned several news organizations from his events. During a previous Texas visit, to the delight of supporters, he promised to revise libel laws to chill press freedom. At a February rally in Fort Worth, after blasting The New York Times and The Washington Post as "dishonest" and "losing money," he said those publications and others will "have problems" if he becomes president. There's no reason to doubt that.

"I'm going to open up our libel laws so when they write purposely negative and horrible and false articles, we can sue them and win lots of money. We're going to open up those libel laws," he said. "So when The New York Times writes a hit piece which is a total disgrace or when The Washington Post ... writes a hit piece, we can sue them and win money instead of having no chance of winning because they're totally protected."

In general, libel laws are state, not federal, laws. And, quite properly, it is difficult for a public person like a politician to win a libel suit absent a showing of actual malice or reckless disregard for the truth. The laudable and necessary goal is as free a press as possible.

"We're going to open up libel laws," Trump said in Fort Worth in a threat to journalists, "and we're going to have people sue you like you've never got sued before."

Take my word for it, this also was a threat to you.

"Believe me," he said, "if I become president, oh, do they have problems. They're going to have such problems."

You are, too.

OK, enough self-righteousness. Let's head into summer's first weekend on a lighter note. It involves a little quiz I recently ran on Twitter after Texas Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller's agency posted a photo of His Agness in his office meeting with some folks. It was the furniture and furnishings, more than the folks, that attracted some in the Twitterverse. I asked folks to come up with a name for the motif, which struck me as Gooberville Modern.

Good contest entries included "Hillbilly chic," "Western Jesus Shot Ugly" and "Austintatious."

But the best entry, from political consultant Jeff Rotkoff was this: 'Pa-Paw Hit the Powerball."

We laugh at our politicians because we love them. And because it's better than crying.

One more thing. We're all mourning the fact that the University of Texas didn't hire UCLA baseball Coach John Savage to replace Augie Garrido. I don't know much about Savage. But I'm not the only one lamenting missing a chance to have a Longhorn coaching triad that would have been Strong, Smart and Savage.

Now that Savage is staying at UCLA, anyone know another coach whose name would align so well with Strong and Smart?

— Ken Herman, Austin American-Statesman

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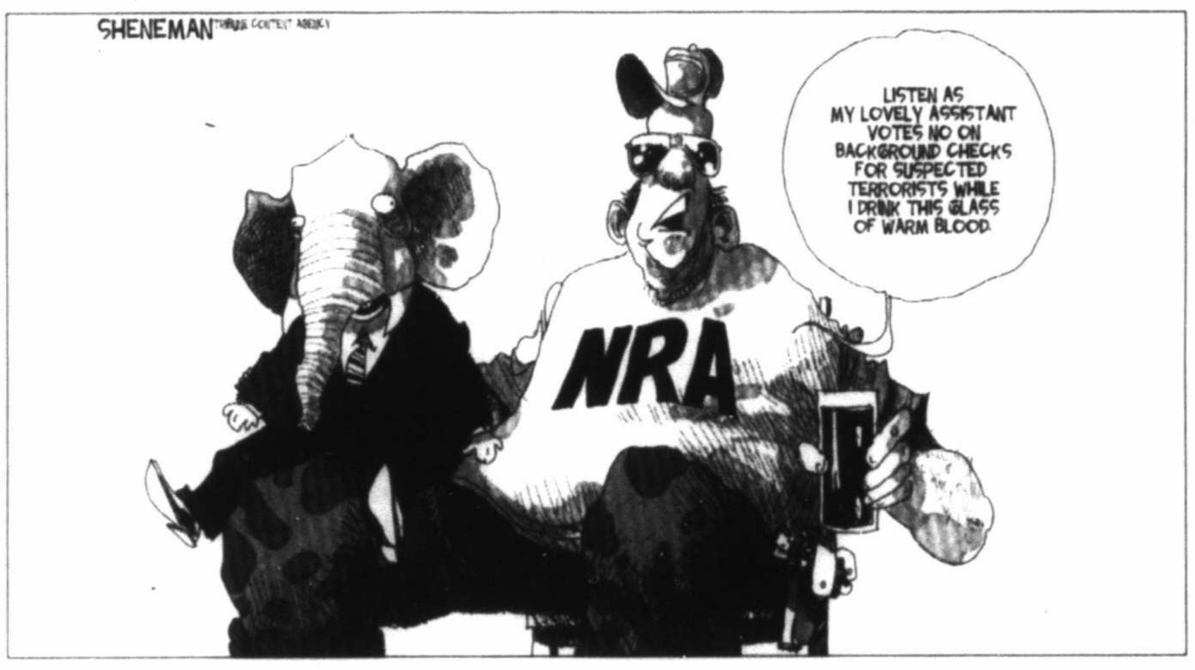

Conspiracies take center stage

■ Trump has no problem letting the accusations against Hillary Clinton fly

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Nobody brings the crazy quite like The Donald.

For years, the conspiracy-minded have been trying to prove that Hillary Clinton gave "stand-down" orders blocking the military from helping ambassador Chris Stevens and other U.S. personnel in Benghazi the night of the 2012 attacks. But Donald Trump asserts the opposite: Clinton was unconscious.

Stevens "was left helpless to die as Hillary Clinton soundly slept in her bed," the presumptive Republican presidential nominee declared Wednesday in an unfocused jeremiad against his Democratic opponent. "That's right. When the phone rang, as per the commercial, at three o'clock in the morning, Hillary Clinton was sleeping."

That's not right — unless Trump is accusing Clinton of taking an afternoon nap. Stevens and the others were attacked in the late afternoon, Washington time. Clinton, who was in Washington and closely involved in the response, issued a public statement about the attacks at 10 p.m. and wrote an email to her daughter about the matter an hour later — well before Trump's imaginary 3 a.m. wake-up call.

Trump's dystopia is frequently at odds with reality here on earth. He and his followers live in a dark place where life ranges from bad to horrible, conspiracies abound and allegation passes for truth.

In his much-anticipated speech outlining his general-election themes against Clinton, Trump had much to work with from her record. But he went instead with conspiracies and inventions.

Trump quoted a "Secret Service agent posted outside the Oval Office" challenging Clinton's character; the "agent" in question was a low-level official who wasn't posted inside the White House.

Trump claimed Clinton's email "server was easily hacked by foreign governments. ... Sure they have it." No evidence of successful hacking has been found.

Trump said "we are, by the way, the highest taxed nation in the world." The United States is nowhere near the top.

He said "we could rebuild every inner city in America" with "the amount of money Hillary Clinton would like to spend on refugees." The amount she would spend would be a sliver of just one large city's budget.

He said Clinton "accepted $58,000 in jewelry from the government of Brunei." He neglected to mention that the U.S. government, not Clinton, kept the gift.

He said the trade deficit "soared 40 percent" under Clinton; it actually rose less than half of that.

He said he was "among the earliest to criticize the rush to war" in Iraq; in September 2002, he supported the Iraq invasion.

He alleged that Clinton's State Department refused "all" security requests from U.S. diplomats in Libya; actually, a number were approved.

Trump's volume of disinformation is so heavy that even the nimblest fact-checker can't keep pace. And that's no accident: In Trump's dystopia, things are so bad — so utterly and desperately awful — that no allegation, no matter how sinister, seems implausible to his followers.

Consider these fragments of woe, all pulled from Trump's speech Wednesday:

Crumbling roads and bridges. Dilapidated airports. Factories moving overseas. Our military ... is totally depleted. It's a rigged system. Our country lost its way. Wipes out our middle class. It's total devastation. Disastrous and totally disastrous. Among the most destructive. They are stealing billions and billions of dollars. It's not just our economy that's been corrupted, but our foreign policy, too. One deadly foreign policy disaster after another. We just can't take it anymore.

The person responsible for so much misery and mayhem? From Trump's speech:

She's a world-class liar. Pathetic. Phony. Hillary Clinton may be the most corrupt person ever to seek the presidency. Has perfected the politics of personal profit and even theft. Doing favors for oppressive regimes. She gets rich making you poor. She sold out our workers and our country for Beijing. The Hillary Clinton foreign policy has cost America thousands of lives and trillions and trillions of dollars. Secretary Clinton managed to almost single-handedly destabilize the entire Middle East. Has the blood of so many on her hands. Needs to go to prison.

In Trump's dystopia, Clinton is "the biggest promoter of the Trans-Pacific Partnership," and the fact that she has expressly opposed the deal just means "she's pretending."

And Trump, who before Wednesday had raised about five dozen different conspiracy theories, produced another: "Our enemies probably know every single one" of Clinton's deleted emails. "So they probably now have a blackmail file. ... We can't hand over our government to someone whose deepest, darkest secrets may be in the hands of our enemies. Can't do it."

A blackmail file? Why not? In Trump's dystopia, no horror is impossible.

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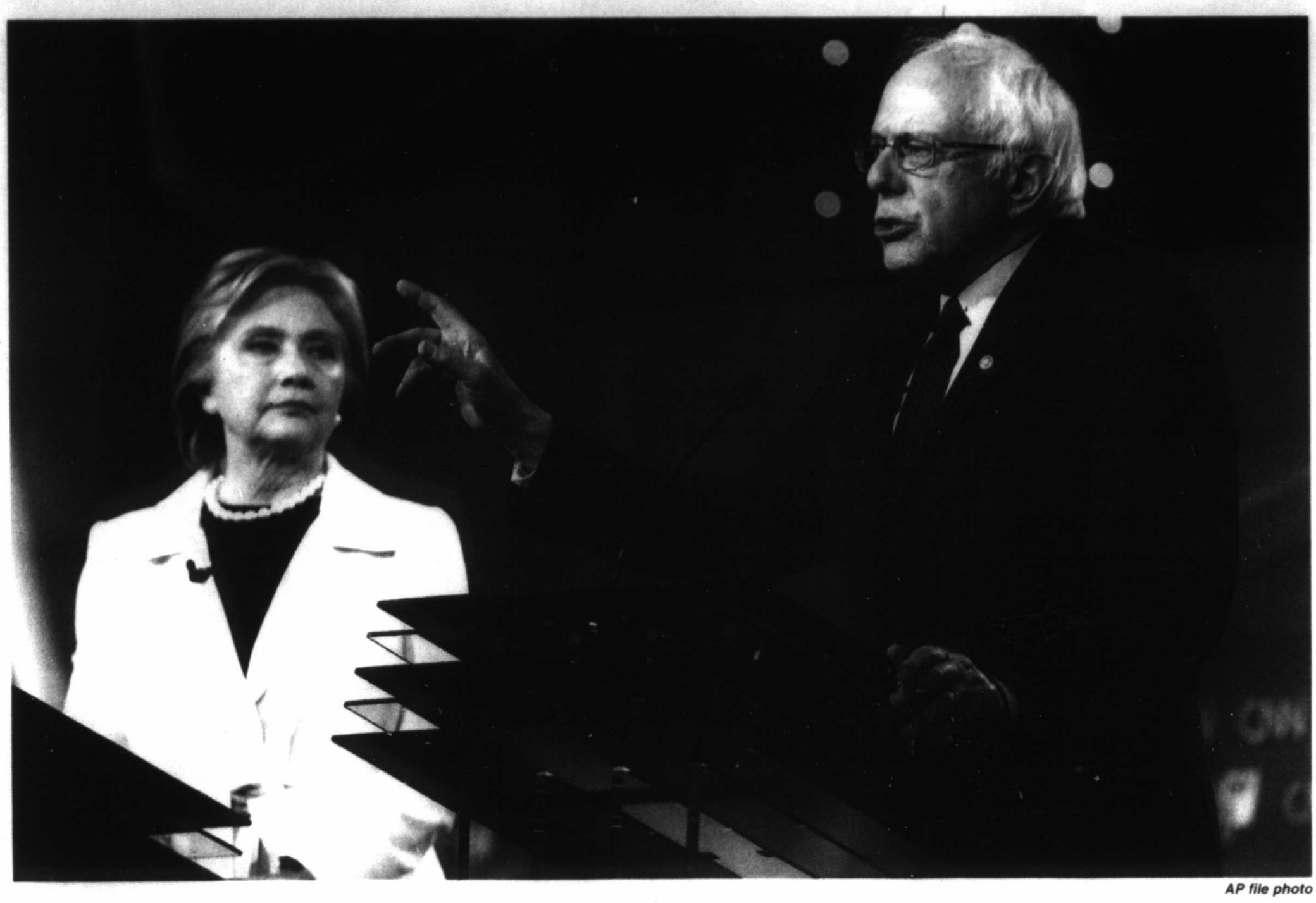

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Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-V.t, right, speaks as Hillary Clinton listens during the CNN Democratic Presidential Primary Debate at the Brooklyn Navy Yard on April 14 in New York.

Primary odd couple pushes to unite Democratic party

By Lisa Lerer and Ken Thomas
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It seemed like a surprising party of two.

There was Robby Mook, Hillary Clinton's top campaign aide, known for his calm temperament and fiercely disciplined ways, and Jeff Weaver, a combative political fighter often called Bernie Sanders' alter ego, sharing a Friday night dinner at The Farmhouse Tap & Grill in Burlington, Vermont.

But over the long months of a frequently contentious primary, the two rival Democratic campaign managers struck up an unusually friendly relationship, founded on exhaustion, goofy jokes and a shared affection for their home state of Vermont.

They talk almost daily, text frequently and email often.

Now, as Sanders lingers in the presidential race, refusing to concede the nomination to Clinton even as he says he'll vote for her on Election Day, the competing campaign managers have become a powerful political odd couple, responsible for engineering a graceful conclusion to a hard-fought Democratic contest.

"I've really come to respect him," Mook said. "There were some tense moments, but he was always honest, straightforward and very easy to work with."

Weaver is equally effusive in his praise.

"I think he's the kind of guy who is doing what he does for the right reasons," Weaver said about Mook. "He believes in the cause, and he believes in making the world a better place."

After Clinton and Sanders met at Washington hotel this month, their managers stayed until almost midnight, attempting to hammer out an agreement that would give Sanders some of the changes he wants to make to the party's platform. During his Friday trip to Vermont, Mook made sure to meet with Sanders supporters.

Some of the communication hints at far closer cooperation to come.

The two camps are increasingly comparing notes on how best to attack presumptive GOP nominee Donald Trump. Clinton's campaign and state Democratic parties have hired some Sanders staffers, and there is chatter about joint events to come.

Both Mook and Weaver share a slightly silly sense of humor.

Mook, 35, regales his fiercely loyal band of young operatives, known as the Mook Mafia, with impressions, including spot-on impersonations of Bill Clinton and Sanders.

Weaver, 50, who owns and operated a Falls Church, Virginia, comic book and gaming store before taking the helm of Sanders' campaign, made up gag business cards at the start of the campaign describing himself as the "comic book king."

"His Bill Clinton is pretty good," Weaver said of Mook. "It's not only the voice, but it's the subject matter."

But their back-channel negotiations are nothing but serious.

Although Clinton has largely unified Democratic leadership around her bid, she's struggling to win over the young and liberal voters who supported Sanders, a Vermont senator.

Sanders is pushing for ways of addressing key economic issues in the Democratic platform, including trade, providing free college tuition and expanding Medicare and Social Security.

"Right now, what we are doing is trying to say to the Clinton campaign, 'Stand up, be bolder than you have been. And then many of those voters in fact may come on board," Sanders told CNN's "State of the Union" on Sunday.

He also wants procedural changes, such as allowing independents to participate in primaries and curtailing the role of superdelegates — the party leaders who help determine the party's nominee.

On Friday, Sanders told MSNBC that he would vote for the former secretary of state. But he shied away from offering a formal endorsement or urging his supporters to back her.

Instead, he's kicked off a new phase of his "political revolution," campaigning on behalf of like-minded Democrats who are running for Congress or local office.

To close that gap, the candidates can rely on the personal rapport between their two top aides, a relationship helped along by formative years in Vermont politics.

Weaver was raised in a rural, northern Vermont town. Mook, the son of a Dartmouth professor, grew up in Norwich, near the New Hampshire border.

As a 20-year-old Boston University student, Weaver drove Sanders around the small state during Sanders' unsuccessful campaign for governor. Mook's first campaign memory: going to the dump to get petition signatures and distribute literature.

While they knew of each other, the first time they met in person was in October, at the Iowa Democratic Party's Jefferson-Jackson Dinner, a key stop for presidential candidates.

Wearing matching outfits of khakis, blue blazers and Johnston & Murphy brown shoes, they posed for photos with their legs propped up on a security barrier.

"His shoes were in better condition," joked Mook.

In New Hampshire, they were subjected to a series of interviews about each other's campaigns — while sitting kitty-corner. The experience was remarkably friendly, Weaver recalled, allowing them to commiserate over the lack of sleep and endless travel that is part of a presidential campaign.

After that, the conversation slowly expanded. Today, their relationship has grown far closer than that of their bosses.

Though Clinton and Sanders have known each other since she came to Washington as first lady in 1993, they rarely communicate, say aides.

Former President Bill Clinton, according to aides, was particularly frustrated by Sanders' ability to cast himself as above politics-as-usual while firing off what he considered to be misleading attacks on Clinton's White House legacy.

For Weaver, his focus remains on ensuring that Sanders and his supporters are represented in the party and the platform that will be voted on at the Philadelphia convention.

"It obviously is important that the secretary during the general election speaks to the aspirations of that 13 million people who voted for Bernie Sanders," Weaver said. "It's important those people be heard — not just feel like they've been heard — but be heard."

Trump camp scrambles to shape up before convention

By Laurie Kellman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Republicans are sprinting to shape up Donald Trump's presidential campaign before the party's national convention in three weeks, even as leading members of the party carry a deep antipathy or outright opposition to his claim on the GOP nomination.

His campaign chairman said Sunday there's a hiring spree in 16 states and the campaign is working with the Republican National Committee to solidify other matters. Paul Manafort said Trump is not all that involved in the race to organize an offensive against Democrat Hillary Clinton and catch up to her massive fundraising advantage.

"The good thing is we have a candidate who doesn't need to figure out what's going on (inside the campaign) in order to say what he wants to do," Manafort said on NBC's "Meet the Press." "We have our campaign plans in place. We have our budgets in place."

What Manafort described as a "new phase" for the campaign — a shift from the primaries to the general election — was a forced reshuffling of an effort hobbled for weeks by infighting, Trump's statements about a judge's ethnicity and a massive fund raising deficit to Clinton's cash-raising Goliath. Trump began June with $1.3 million in the bank, less campaign cash than many congressional candidates. The $3 million he collected in May donations is about one-tenth what Clinton raised.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said Sunday that Trump can't win the presidency unless he can compete with Clinton on the financial front.

For Trump and Brexit voters, echoes of same frustrations

By Jonathan Lemire and Jill Colvin
Associated Press

MAYBOLE, Scotland — At the heart of the campaign that led Britain to vote to leave the European Union was a desire to regain independence lost amid a globalized world. It's the same kind of feeling that Donald Trump rode to become the presumptive Republican nominee in the U.S., where he campaigns to put "America first" and "make America great again."

"I love to see people take their country back. And that's really what's happening in the United States," Trump told reporters this weekend during a visit to his golf resort in western Scotland.

The anxiety that drove the stunning "Brexit" decision has been brewing for at least a decade in the United Kingdom, as waves of immigrants from Southern and Eastern Europe arrived as the global economy plunged into recession. In the years since, right-leaning leaders have stoked populist concerns about their impact on wages, as well as fears about the loss of ethnic identity, which runs deep in parts of largely white rural England and Wales.

"There's a real feeling things have changed, and they've changed too fast," said Muriel MacGregor, filling up her car at a BP station on her way to work as a clerk at a hotel in Aberdeen, Scotland.

MacGregor, 52, said that, unlike many of her friends, she proudly voted for "leave." "This isn't the country I remember from growing up. I don't know exactly what happens next. I don't think anybody does. But I really feel like we needed something different, because this isn't working," she said.

Britain's vote shattered the stability of continental unity forged after World War II and sent markets across the globe tumbling.

Presumed Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton said on Sunday the vote was a sobering reminder that "what happens around the world has consequences that can hit come quickly."

"Our priority now must be to protect American families and businesses from the negative effects of this kind of tumult and uncertainty," Clinton said at the annual gathering of the U.S. Conference of Mayors in Indianapolis.

She also took a thinly veiled dig at Trump saying "steady experienced leadership" is what the U.S. needs to avoid the kinds of troubles Britain now faces.

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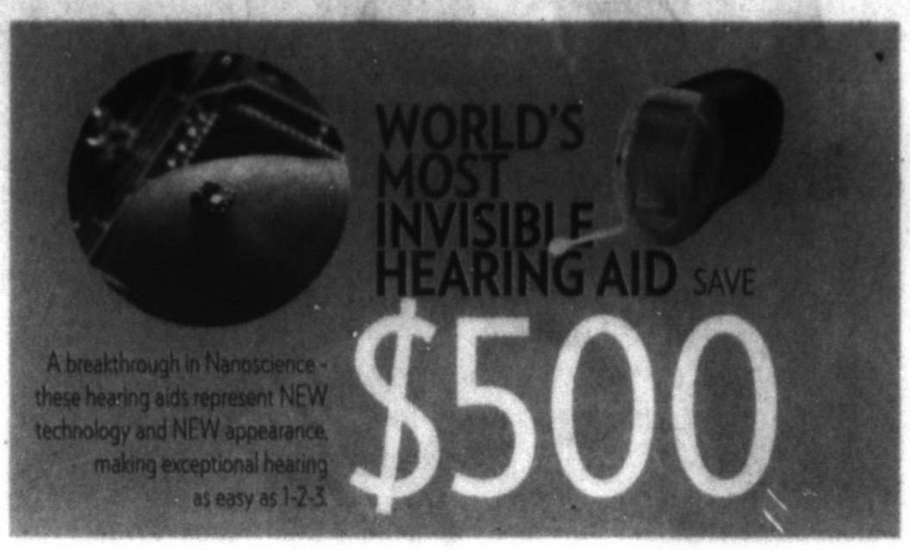

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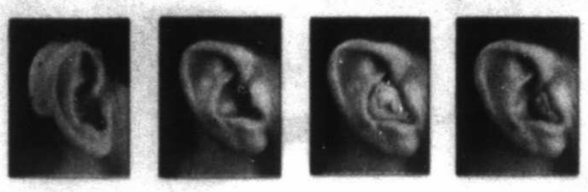

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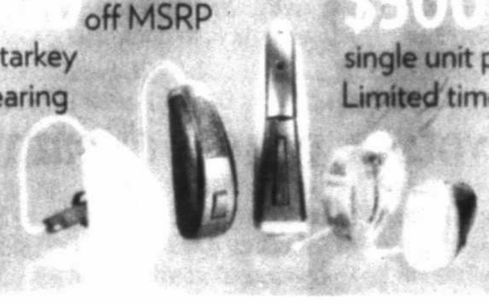

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Professional and community involvement: I taught high school photography at Trinity School of Midland for seven years and continue to substitute for their art teachers. After that, I started ArtiZen Outlet with the help of Connie Glinsmann and Sarah Drescher Braswell. We maintained an average of about 25 local artists. When I couldn't afford to maintain the loop property, I passed the name and business to them to carry on at a more affordable location. I enjoyed volunteering at Friends of the Library for about a year and helped with activities at Legacy Ranch Alzheimer's Care, where my mother lived. My dog, Lucy (adopted from Lone Star), achieved her International Therapy Dog Certification. She and I have recently begun volunteering at Midland Rape Crisis Children's Advocacy Center.

How did you become involved with Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals?
I saw a Facebook post that they needed help. I started doing the weekly new animals' portraits over two years ago when their regular shelter photographer, Carol Gogas, moved to Santa Fe.

What unexpected lesson have you learned while volunteering at Lone Star?
Unfortunately, I have learned that sometimes people have to make difficult choices about leaving their beloved dogs and cats when life's circumstances change. I have learned firsthand about some peoples' unconscionable cruelty and about other peoples' unconditional compassion and love.

How do you pair your personal interests with serving the community as a volunteer?
I love books, and I love to organize, so shelving new arrivals at Friends of the Library was fun for me.
My mother lived at Legacy Ranch, so I wanted to be there as much as possible.

I am a photographer and love animals, so I try to help these precious dogs and cats find permanent, loving homes by photographing their true spirits.

I think that Lucy has a lot of love to offer to the individuals at MRCCAC and she needed a job.

What needs can volunteers fill at Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals?
Lone Star needs help with adoption events, walking and socializing with dogs, and playing with cats and kittens, among many other things. Please visit www.lonestarsanctuaryforanimals.org for information. Your help is greatly appreciated.

How long has Midland been your home and why have you stayed?
My husband grew up in Midland. We moved back here almost 20 years ago to be near family and so that our boys could go to Trinity School. We stayed because of the community of wonderful people.

"HER IMAGES REFLECT THE ANIMALS' INNER BEAUTY, LOYALTY AND WARMTH"

A picture is worth a thousand rescues. We are fortunate and grateful that Nina came to volunteer with us as our shelter photographer a little over two years ago. Photography is one of the most important aspects for a shelter, and Nina has lent us her talents to helping our animals get adopted. Nina's portraits of our pets are stunning and full of personality. Her images truly reflect the animals' inner beauty, loyalty and warmth, and help inspire the public to come out and adopt. We are thankful that so many of our adopters have found their new best friend because of Nina's pictures and that her portraits have saved so many lives. Thank you, Nina, for your dedication to helping animals find forever homes.

Suzanne Melchiorre, *Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals volunteer*

"SHE IS PATIENT AND UNDERSTANDING, MAKING SURE THAT EACH ANIMAL IS COMFORTABLE WITH HER"

I had the pleasure of meeting Nina Noel over two years ago when we both became volunteers at Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals. I easily noticed how compassionate and kind she was, not just to the people she came into contact with, but to the animals she interacted with. The shelter was in the market for a new photographer, and Nina answered the call. She is one of the most talented artists I have ever known, and we are blessed to have her as our shelter photographer. Each week, she comes to the shelter and photographs our newest additions. She is patient and understanding, making sure that each animal is comfortable with her and with her camera. She has developed little techniques to soothe those dogs and cats that are nervous or to calm down those that are overly excited. She will spend as much time as is required with an animal to get just the right shot. In addition to volunteering her time, Nina has also adopted two dogs from us. Nina is one of the most genuine individuals I have ever met; she is unwavering in her compassion, and we are eternally grateful to her. She gives a face to all of our dogs and cats that need a forever home.

Sabrina Mullison, *Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals office manager*

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This picture released on July 12, 2015, by the Raised News Network, a Facebook page affiliated with Islamic State militants, shows an Islamic State militant firing a heavy weapon during a battle against Syrian government forces, in Homs province, Syria. After billions of dollars spent and more than 10,000 extremist fighters killed, the Islamic State group is fundamentally no weaker than it was when the U.S.-led bombing campaign began a year ago, American intelligence agencies have concluded. *Associated Press*

A new algorithm could predict future ISIS attacks

By Karen Turner
Special to The Washington Post

It was September 2014, and machine gun and artillery fire had erupted in small villages just west of Kobani, Syria. The Islamic State had started a siege on the border town, strategically entering through nearby villages. That same week, researchers at the University of Miami who were tracking online extremist groups saw a flurry in activity.

"It was like the spreading of a fever," said Neil Johnson, head of research for the study. Johnson and his team saw an uptick in the creation of pro-Islamic State groups on Russian social media platform VKontakte.

Measuring the rate of creation of these online groups is essential to a new study's claims that a mathematical model can help predict terrorist attacks. The research attempts to scientifically determine the relationships between online extremist groups and real-world attacks.

The study, published recently by the journal Science, identifies hardcore pro-Islamic State groups on social media by searching for key words, such as mentions of beheadings, and zeroing in on specific community pages and groups. These groups trade operational information, such as which drone is being used in an attack or how to avoid detection, as well as fundraising posts and extremist ideology.

An uptick in the creation of these groups correlated with terrorist attacks, the study found. When the team used the model they created on their set of data, they found that the model correctly predicted the Kobani attack they observed in 2014.

Such groups are often shut down by social media platforms such as Facebook or VKontakte once their extremist content is identified by website moderators. Members of these groups then disperse and multiply, Johnson said, often forming other, smaller groups. It's this pattern that makes the identification of these aggregates, and the individuals who interact with them, so useful.

"The data suggests that there's no such thing as a 'lone wolf' in that sense," Johnson said. "If an individual looks alone, the chance is that they will at some stage ... have been in an aggregate. And if you look long enough, they will be in another aggregate soon."

Does this mean that this algorithm can not only show when an attack is likely to occur but also point to individuals who might be ripe for radicalization? Johnson is hesitant to say that the model is truly predictive right now. He's most enthusiastic about nailing down a pattern of behavior that could help clarify how radical groups, terrorist attacks and online activity interact.

"It always seems to me to be that we know that the Internet has an influence on this behavior, but how? I can see things online, but I'm not gonna go and do something," he said. "So it puts a science, a starting point, of what's going on."

The study is not without its skeptics. "This is a potentially valuable approach, and more research should be done on the approach," said J.M. Berger, a fellow in George Washington University's Program on Extremism, told the New York Times. "But to jump ahead to the utility of it, I think, takes more work."

Andrew Gelman, a statistical and political science professor at Columbia University, also cautioned against how applicable the model is in a blog post.

Research suggesting that social media monitoring be used in counterterrorism also raises concerns about privacy and the potential for abuse.

"It's hard to pick apart the privacy component when you're talking about something as loaded as radical extremism," said Megan Price, executive director of Human Rights Data Analysis Group. "But I think we have to extrapolate out from that what are the other ways that this might be implemented? It's not necessarily clear what the definition of those groups is."

Price cited undercover monitoring of radical activist groups in the 1960s as an example of domestic surveillance designed to quash political freedom. "Historically, the government has never needed much encouragement to expand their surveillance activities," she said.

In terms of digital privacy, Johnson sees his model as less invasive than other surveillance tactics. "Our approach pushes the focus from individuals to groups that fed the fire within the individual. So that is arguably good since instead of potentially having to track one percent of Facebook or VKontakte users being on some watch list because of what they have Googled," he said. "The focus is on the few hundred aggregates that lie out there."

But Price isn't sure that this study is a step in the right direction. "It's just splitting hairs," she said. "What they are flagging is the growth of these aggregate groups, but the way they are defining growth is by tracking individuals. I don't know if operationally it makes a difference in terms of privacy."

It takes two apps to help you recycle

By Elizabeth Chang
The Washington Post

Recycling is one of those things you know you should do. But while finding a way to dispose of plastics and paper is generally easy, it takes more effort to figure out where to take cellphones or batteries or CD cases — or any of the myriad things that clutter our households but might not be accepted by our trash or recycling services, or places such as Goodwill.

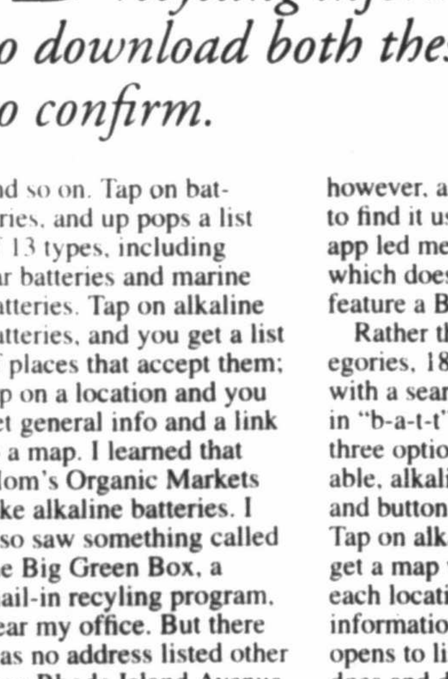
Your phone can make it easier, with apps that use your location to tell you where to recycle items. I tried two: iRecycle and 1800Recycle, both free and both available for iOS and Android.

They share another trait. Both are offshoots of businesses. iRecycle is run by Earth911, a website that "connects advertising partners with consumers in all aspects of their daily lives." 1800Recycle is powered by Recycle Nation, a "dynamic recycling and green living-focused website," which is, in turn, part of Electronic Recyclers International. All this is to say that helping you recycle your stuff is not the first priority of the apps' creators.

iRecycle tells you where to recycle 12 kinds of items on its home screen: automotive, batteries, construction, electronics and so on. Tap on batteries, and up pops a list of 13 types, including car batteries and marine batteries. Tap on alkaline batteries, and you get a list of places that accept them; tap on a location and you get general info and a link to a map. I learned that Mom's Organic Markets take alkaline batteries. I also saw something called the Big Green Box, a mail-in recyling program, near my office. But there was no address listed other than Rhode Island Avenue, however, and when I tried to find it using the map, the app led me to Scott Circle, which does not in reality feature a Big Green Box.

Rather than listing categories, 1800Recycle starts with a search: Start typing in "b-a-t-t" and up come three options: rechargeable, alkaline/single use, and button and cellphone. Tap on alkaline and you get a map with locations; each location includes an information button, which opens to list what the site does and doesn't accept. 1800Recycle's results didn't include the nonexistent Big Green Box and did include several places that were not in iRecycle's results, including Whole Foods Market. But if I wanted to recycle a car battery, I would have had to search under automotive and look at each location.

Bottom line: For the most comprehensive recycling information, you might want to download both these apps. And always call to confirm.



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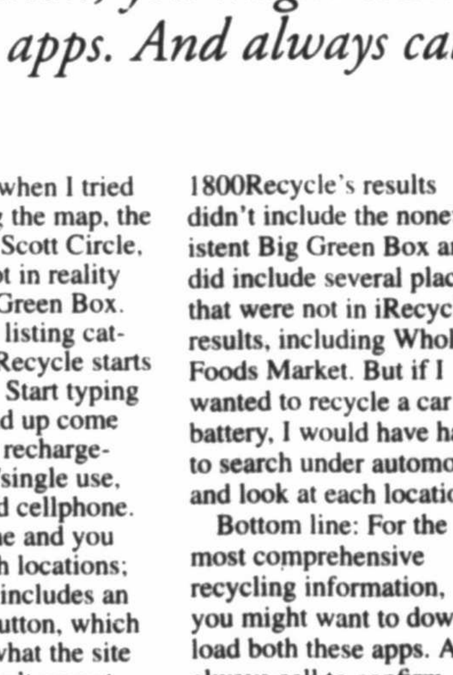

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Why this year's iPhone may be kinda lame

By Hayley Tsukayama
The Washington Post

Rumor has it that Apple's going to seriously shake up the way it updates the iPhone — and you probably won't like it that much.

For nearly a decade, Apple has alternated between releasing big overhauls and smaller upgrades to its phones. Citing a top Apple analyst, the Wall Street Journal reported that the firm will follow up last year's incremental upgrades to the iPhone with even more incremental upgrades — breaking its established update schedule.

That means consumers waiting to upgrade until this year's expected major revamp will have to either bite the bullet and get the iPhone 6s or 6s Plus, or wait an extra year and hope that rumors of a really big revamp for 2017 are true.

The reported decision — Apple did not immediately respond to a request for comment — comes as the company faces mounting questions about slowing iPhone sales. The iPhone is at the heart of Apple's revenue, but sales numbers have started falling. That's bad news for the Cupertino company.

The smartphone market as a whole has slowed down a bit, with more consumers saying they're happy to hang on to their phones for a little longer than they have in the past. It's hard to say what, exactly, is causing that shift. But one theory is that companies aren't able to offer the same scale of advances that they used to because the technology isn't there yet.

"Look at it from the vantage point of innovation," said IDC analyst William Stofega. "Part of the slowdown of the industry is there's just very incremental updates and upgrades. The technology to really push the smartphone forward isn't quite developed yet."

In other words, Apple may have an innovation problem, but it's not alone. Companies are continually making phones thinner and lighter for their power levels, but at a certain point consumers will be looking for breakthrough battery technology, flexible screens or something more drastic to reinvent the smartphone. And those advances, while in the works at various companies, aren't yet ready for prime time.

Furthermore, changes in the way mobile carriers have designed their contracts could also be changing the mental calculus for consumers considering whether to upgrade their phones. Today's plans separate the cost of a phone from the cost of wireless service, which gives customers the option to upgrade their device every year. But, Stofega said, the new payment scheme encourages people to hold onto their phones longer, especially once the devices are paid off.

A change in how Apple manages its upgrade cycle would be acknowledging that its next big developments are still in the research and development lab. While the firm still has its eye on creating markets for its phones in places such as China and India, it's also clearly looking to pull back its dependence on hardware. Focusing on services — Apple Music, iCloud, Siri — and other products such as the Apple Watch have been a big trend out of Apple in the past year. And Apple has been letting rumors about even crazier projects, such as the Apple Car, circulate unchecked.

At the end of the day, Apple may be betting that it is better to release a truly innovative smartphone later and disappoint some fans now, even if such a strategy could open the door for Samsung as well as budget friendly firms such as Xiaomi and Huawei to grab market share.

Stofega thinks this approach could work in the long run, if properly executed. "People may start looking for a slower cycle," he said. "And, in thinking about it, that could get all the fanboys and fangirls a better boom for their buck."

China on schedule for launch this year of 2nd space station

Associated Press

BEIJING — China on Sunday recovered an experimental probe launched aboard a new generation rocket, marking another milestone in its increasingly ambitious space program that envisions a mission to Mars by the end of the decade.

Space program authorities said the spaceship's landing on the vast Inner Mongolian steppe keeps China on schedule to place its second space station into orbit later this year.

The launch of the spaceship aboard the newly developed Long March 7 rocket on Saturday was hailed as a breakthrough in the use of safer, more environmentally friendly fuels. The launch also marked the first use of the massive new Wenchang Satellite Launch Center on the southern island province of Hainan.

Since launching its first manned mission in 2003, China has sent up an experimental space station, the Tiangong 1, staged a spacewalk and landed its Yutu rover on the moon.

Its second space station, the Tiangong 2, is due to be slung into space in September.

Following that, the Shenzhou 11 spaceship with two astronauts on board is scheduled to dock with the station and remain for several days. Administrators suggest a manned landing on the moon may also be in the program's future.

A source of enormous national pride, China's military-backed space program plans a total of 20 space missions this year at a time when the U.S. and other countries' programs are seeking new roles.

China is also developing the Long March 5 heavier-lift rocket needed to launch the Tiangong 2 and other massive payloads.

China plans to launch a mission to land a rover on Mars by 2020, attempting to recreate the success of the U.S. Viking 1 mission that landed a rover on the planet four decades ago.

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	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	NewsWest 9 Now	Swimming Olympic Trials (L)		American Ninja War "Philadelphia Qualifier" Philadelphia hosts the last qualifying round. (N)				NewsWest 9 at 10	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Seth Meyers
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Antique "Vintage New York" (N)		Antiques Roadshow "Vintage Steaucus"		POV "The Look of Silence" (N)		TBA		World News	Tavis Smiley
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CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47			The First 48		The First 48 "Hit Wounds"		The First 48 "Dead Wrong"		(:05) First 48 "Killer Debt/ House of Rage"		(:05) The First 48	
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	BET	58	-		40		(5:00) BET Awards					Wendy Style (N)		Martin	Martin	TBA	Wendy Williams	
	BRAVO	65	76		41		Orange County (N)		Southern Charm (N)		Real Housewives (N)		Odd Mom	Odd Mom	Watch (N)	Real Housewives		S. Charm
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	The Profit		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		West Texas		West Texas	
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		A. Cooper 360		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360		A. Cooper 360	
	DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Isle of Jaws (N)		Shallow Water (N)		Jaws of the Deep (N)		Sharks Among Us (N)		Shark (N)	Jaws of the Deep		Sharks
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	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	NCAA Baseball Division I Tournament Site: TD Ameritrade Park (L)						MLB Baseball (L)					
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	FX	31	56	59	64	69	(5:00) Madagascar...		Turbo ('13, Ani) Ryan Reynolds.						Turbo ('13, Ani) Ryan Reynolds.		Life of Pi	
	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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	MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
	NBCSN	38	43				(5:30) Swimming		AMA Motocross Thunder Valley National				AMA Motocross		Tour de France		Swimming	
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	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Jail	Jail
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) The Lone Ranger Johnny Depp.				12 Monkeys (N)		Freddy vs. Jason Robert Englund.				Hunters (N)	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	American Dad (N)	Tribeca (N)	Family Guy	Family Guy	Frontal (N)	Conan Aubrey Plaza, James Solomon		Angie Tribeca	Conan
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(4:15) The Shoes ...		Dinner at Eight Jean Harlow				Tugboat Annie			(:45) Emma		
	TELE	20	-	10	20		Caso cerrado		Eva, La Trailera		La esclava blanca		El señor de los cielos		Al rojo	Titulares	La esclava blanca	
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	To Be Announced		My Big Fat Fabulous Life (N)						My Big Fat Fabulous Life			
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Castle "Almost Famous"		Rizzoli & Isles "Post Mortem"		Rizzoli "Shadow of Doubt" (N)		Major Crimes "Foreign Affairs" (N)		Rizzoli & Isles "Shadow of Doubt"		Law & Order "Tango"	
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	Modern Family	Modern Family	WWE Monday Night Raw						(:05) Queen of the South "Piloto"		(:10) Mr. Robot	
	WGN	19	85				America's Funniest Home Videos		America's Funniest Home Videos		America's Funniest Home Videos		Tears of the Sun Bruce Willis. A career soldier is forced to choose between following orders and saving lives.					Met Your Mother

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'Dory' overwhelms 'Independence Day,' 'Shallows' surprises

By Jake Coyle
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The "Finding Dory" tidal wave overwhelmed the sputtering sequel "Independence Day: Resurgence," as the alien-invasion redux was drowned out by the popular Pixar release in North American theaters.

In its second week, "Finding Dory" easily remained on top with an estimated $73.2 million, according to studio estimates Sunday. That far surpassed the $41.6 million opening of "Resurgence," which debuted well off the pace of its 1996 original. The first "Independence Day" opened with $50.2 million, or about $77 million in inflation-adjusted dollars.

Of the week's other debuts, the Blake Lively shark thriller "The Shallows" rode a wave of good reviews to a better-than-expected $16.7 million for Sony. Matthew McConaughey's Civil War drama "Free State of Jones," however, disappointed with just $7.7 million for the upstart studio STX Entertainment.

In a weekend full of ups and downs, the opening of "Independence Day" was the most closely watched debut. Long pegged as one of 20th Century Fox's tentpoles of the season, it had once been expected to be one of the summer's biggest films.

A proud popcorn movie, directed, like the first "Independence Day," by Roland Emmerich, "Resurgence" brought back much of the original cast with the significant exception of Will Smith. Without him, the sequel doesn't appear likely to match the $817.4 million global haul of the original.

Chris Aronson, head of distribution for Fox, acknowledged the result was "on the lower side of our prognostications." "Resurgence," however, took in $102 million abroad, where it — ironically, for a movie named after the United States' declaration of independence — is doing better business.

"We always expected international to carry the baton," Aronson said.

Fox, perhaps smarting from the critical reaction to its recent release "X-Men: Apocalypse," took the unusual move of not screening the film for critics before release. Such an approach comes with its own risks, too — even bad reviews can be good publicity — but Aronson maintained the strategy didn't hurt the film's release.

"Independence Day: Resurgence," which cost $165 million to produce, is yet another sequel to struggle this summer, joining the likes of "Alice Through the Looking Glass" and "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows."

Along with the smaller horror film "The Conjuring 2" ($86.9 million in three weeks for Warner Bros.), the acclaimed "Finding Dory" has been the major exception. After setting a record opening weekend for Pixar last weekend, the film's cumulative domestic total is already a whopping $286.5 million.

"We talk about sequelitis, which may or may not be an actual affliction, but certainly of these many sequels released this summer and this year, the winners have been the rarity," said Paul Dergarabedian, senior media analyst for comScore.

"There's definitely been a pushback from audiences for many of the sequels, including 'Independence Day.'"

With the lucrative July 4th holiday weekend coming up, theaters were jammed with nearly every genre. The comedy option, "Central Intelligence," starring Dwayne Johnson and Kevin Hart, held strongly in its second week, earning $18.4 million.

In the crowded field, some gambles didn't pay off. For Gary Ross' "Free State of Jones," in which McConaughey plays a Confederate deserter who led a revolt against the crumbling Confederacy, STX tried to open an adult-oriented, fall-style period film in the midst of popcorn season. The film cost $50 million to make, though STX is on the hook for only a percentage of that.

By the numbers

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to comScore. Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included.

1. "Finding Dory," $73.2 million ($37 million).
2. "Independence Day: Resurgence," $41.6 million ($102 million international).
3. "Central Intelligence," $18.4 million ($4.7 million international).
4. "The Shallows," $16.7 million.
5. "Free State of Jones," $7.8 million.
6. "The Conjuring 2," $7.7 million ($21 million international).
7. "Now You See Me 2," $5.7 million ($50.9 million international).
8. "X-Men: Apocalypse," $2.5 million ($3.6 million international).
9. "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows," $2.4 million ($3.6 million international).
10. "Warcraft," $2.1 million ($9.4 million international).

International theaters

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

1. "Independence Day: Resurgence," $102 million.
2. "Now You See Me 2," $50.9 million.
3. "Finding Dory," $37 million.
4. "The Conjuring 2," $21 million.
5. "Me Before You," $17.5 million.
6. "The Secret Life of Pets," $15.2 million.
7. "Three," $9.5 million.
8. "Warcraft," $9.4 million.
9. "Central Intelligence," $4.7 million.
10. "X-Men: Apocalypse," $3.6 million.

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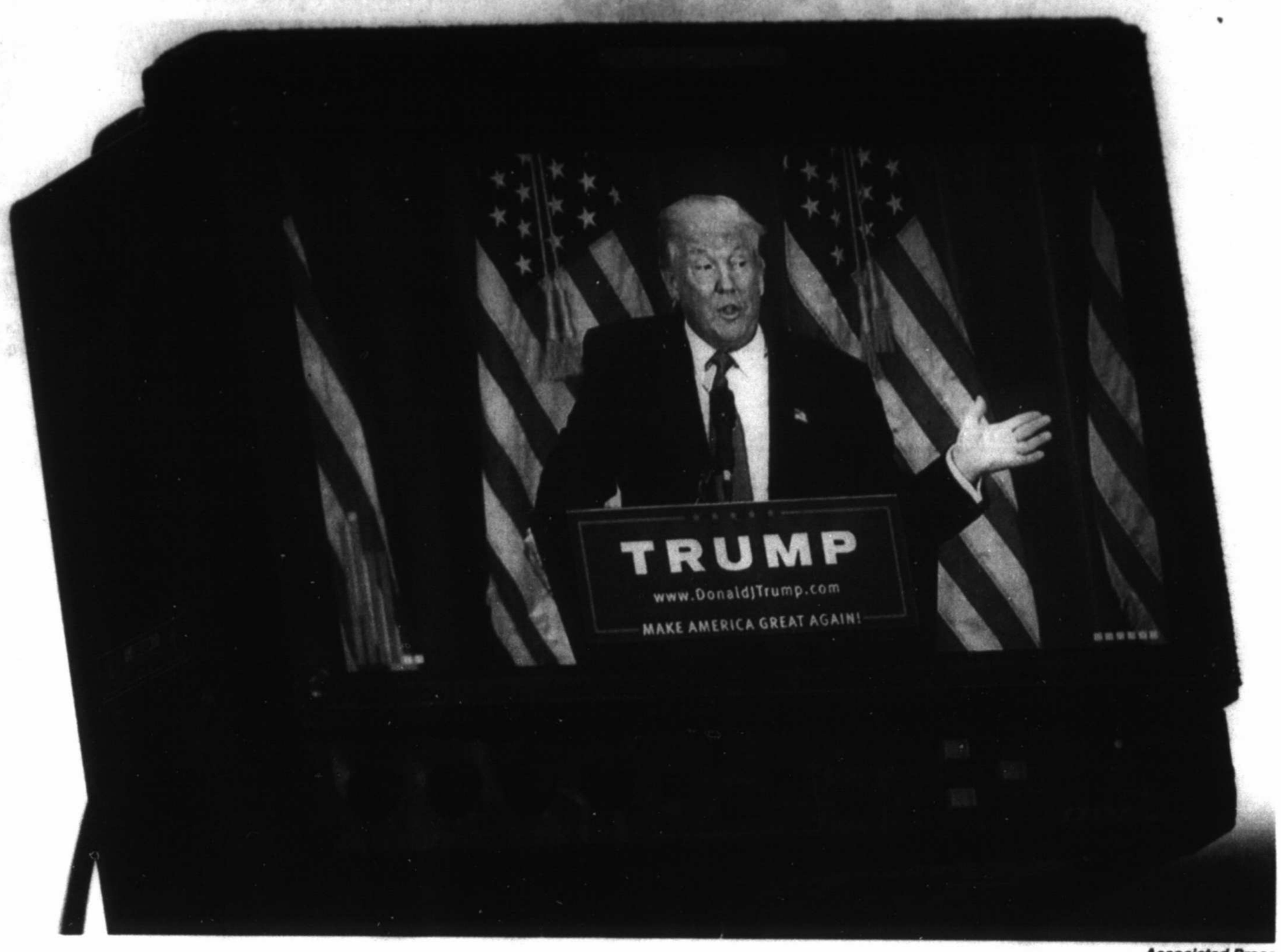

Associated Press

Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump is seen on a video monitor as he speaks in New York on Wednesday. Losing the election wouldn't necessarily be the end of Trump, as nice as that might be to imagine. It might only be the beginning.

What happens if Trump loses? Try Trump TV

■ COMMENTARY

By Alyssa Rosenberg
The Washington Post

Losing the election wouldn't necessarily be the end of Donald Trump, as nice as that might be to imagine. It might only be the beginning.

Indeed, there's one particular second act for Trump that makes an uncanny amount of sense. A Trump-branded TV network, whether online or on cable, could simultaneously be profitable for Trump, outrageously entertaining — and a continued catastrophe for our hyper-polarized political system.

The 2016 presidential race revitalized Trump's reputation as a ratings draw. When he announced his campaign last June, "The Apprentice" franchise was in the ratings decline common to aging shows. The Miss Universe pageant was bouncing around from night to night in search of viewers. His campaign let Trump insist that both shows were victims of political correctness, rather than diminished interest. It let Trump prove that he could draw audiences to a new arena: cable news.

But it's not merely Trump's metastasized personal brand that makes a Trump TV network such a wickedly smart business idea. The conservative media landscape is ripe for a realignment.

A number of conservative media entrepreneurs responded to the Obama administration by founding news publications. And though their successes are mixed, they have explored new models for content and distribution that another organization — the Trump organization, perhaps — might be able to use on a larger scale.

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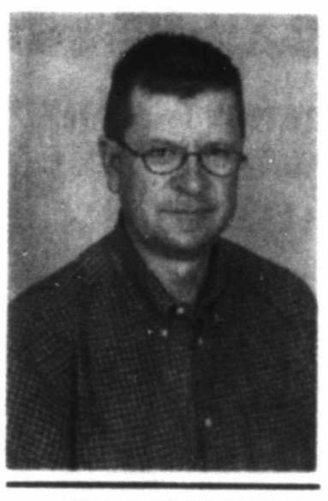

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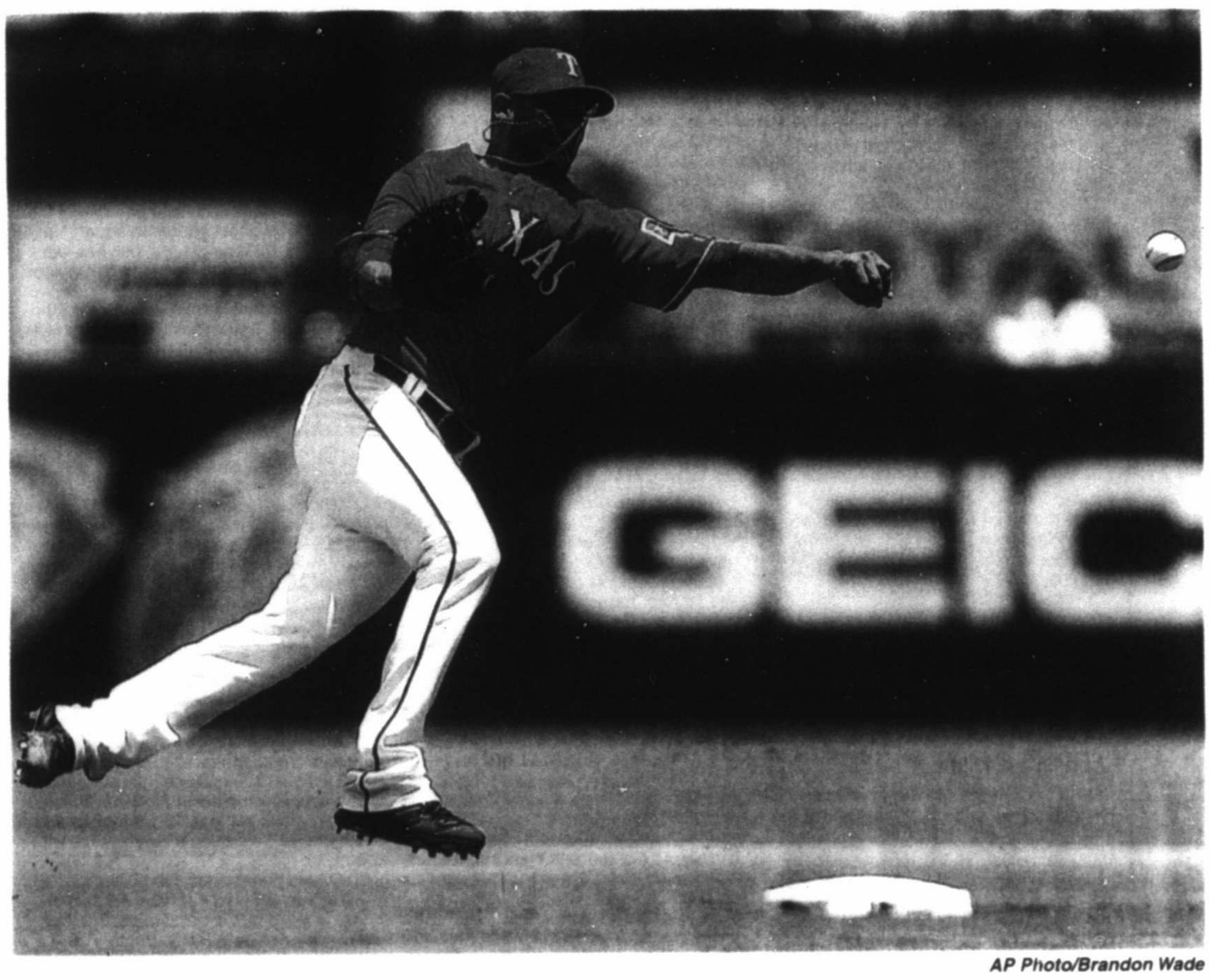

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KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Pat Summitt's family said Sunday that the last few days have been difficult for the former Tennessee women's basketball coach as her Alzheimer's disease progresses.

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The statement was posted on the Pat Summitt Foundation's website and was issued by Erin Freeman, a spokeswoman for the Summitt family.

Former Tennessee player Tamika Catchings was flying to Knoxville to visit the coach instead of returning to Indiana with the WNBA's Fever. Other former players were issuing support on Twitter through the "PrayForPat" hashtag. Phoenix Mercury center and Tennessee alum Isabelle Harrison said former Lady Volunteers players were keeping up with Summitt's situation in a group text-message chain.

"There are like 30 of us in a group chat right now talking, and people are flying into Knoxville and trying to see her," Harrison said Sunday after the Mercury's victory over the New York Liberty. "You just didn't expect any of this to happen. Everyone's trying to fill each other in with any information they have."

Harrison said she often went to Summitt's home and rehabbed with her last year while recovering from a torn anterior cruciate ligament that ended the post player's senior season at Tennessee prematurely. They also occasionally went to practice together.

"I was at practice one day watching some of the girls, (and a) freshman took a fast shot," Harrison said. "(Summitt) looked at me and was like, 'What was wrong was that?' I was like, 'She shot too quick.' (She said), 'Yeah, that's right.' (Summitt) still had it."

The update about Summitt's condition brought a flood of support from throughout the sports world.

Defending champ Serena Williams at Wimbledon ready to play

By Sandra Harwitt
Associated Press

LONDON — Top-ranked Serena Williams hasn't won a Grand Slam since Wimbledon a year ago, but the 21-time major champion appeared confident about her chances of retaining the title on the eve of the tournament.

"Honestly, I don't feel any pressure," said Williams, keeping her answers short at a pre-tournament news conference Sunday. "I feel good and confident."

Williams surprised many by failing to win any of the last three Grand Slam tournaments.

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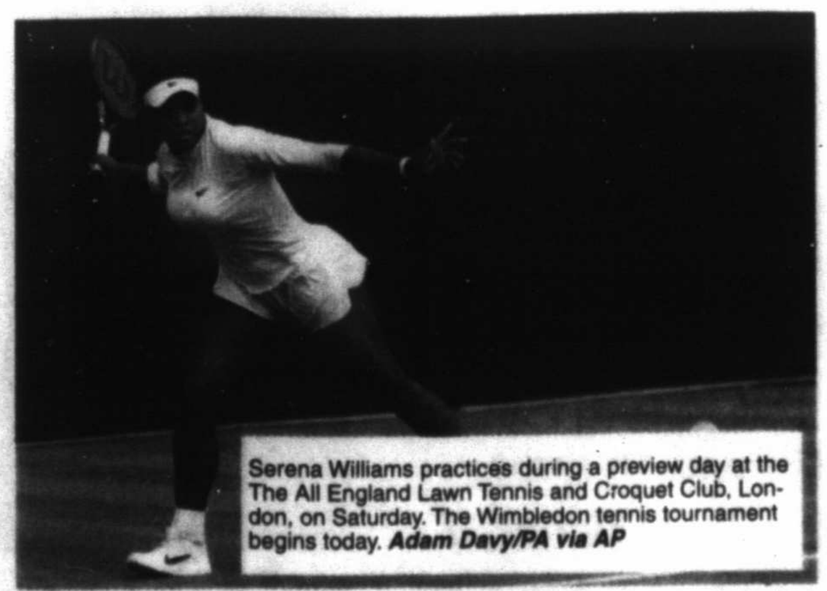

Serena Williams practices during a preview day at the The All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, London, on Saturday. The Wimbledon tennis tournament begins today. *Adam Davy/PA via AP*

Instead of bemoaning those losses, however, Williams prefers to focus on coming back stronger.

"I think it's important to learn from every loss that you have," she said. "I think, in particular, throughout my whole career (I) have been able to learn a lot to come back a much better player."

Williams enters Wimbledon maintaining her No. 1 ranking for what will be an impressive 300th week at the top.

Nevertheless, Muguruza, Kerber, Agnieszka Radwanska and Simona Halep are all positioned to oust Williams from the top spot by the end of Wimbledon.

Williams will play 148th-ranked qualifier Amra Sadikovic of Switzerland, a player she admits knowing nothing about, in the first round on Tuesday.

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When she captured her sixth Wimbledon trophy last year it capped the second time in her career she held all four Grand Slam titles in a non-calendar year. She first achieved that distinction in 2002-03.

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Like Williams, two-time defending champion Novak Djokovic arrived at Wimbledon without having played a grass court tune-up tournament.

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"It's always present. Pressure is part of what we do," he said. "It's inevitable to face this kind of sensation as a top player, being expected to do well and to go as far as last four at least in the tournament, or finals."

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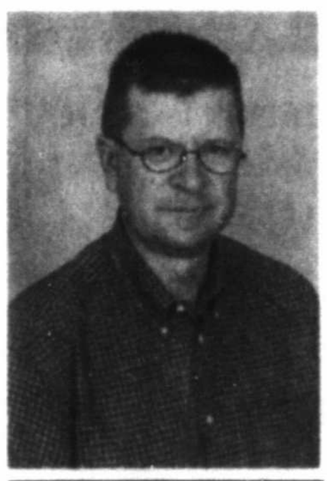

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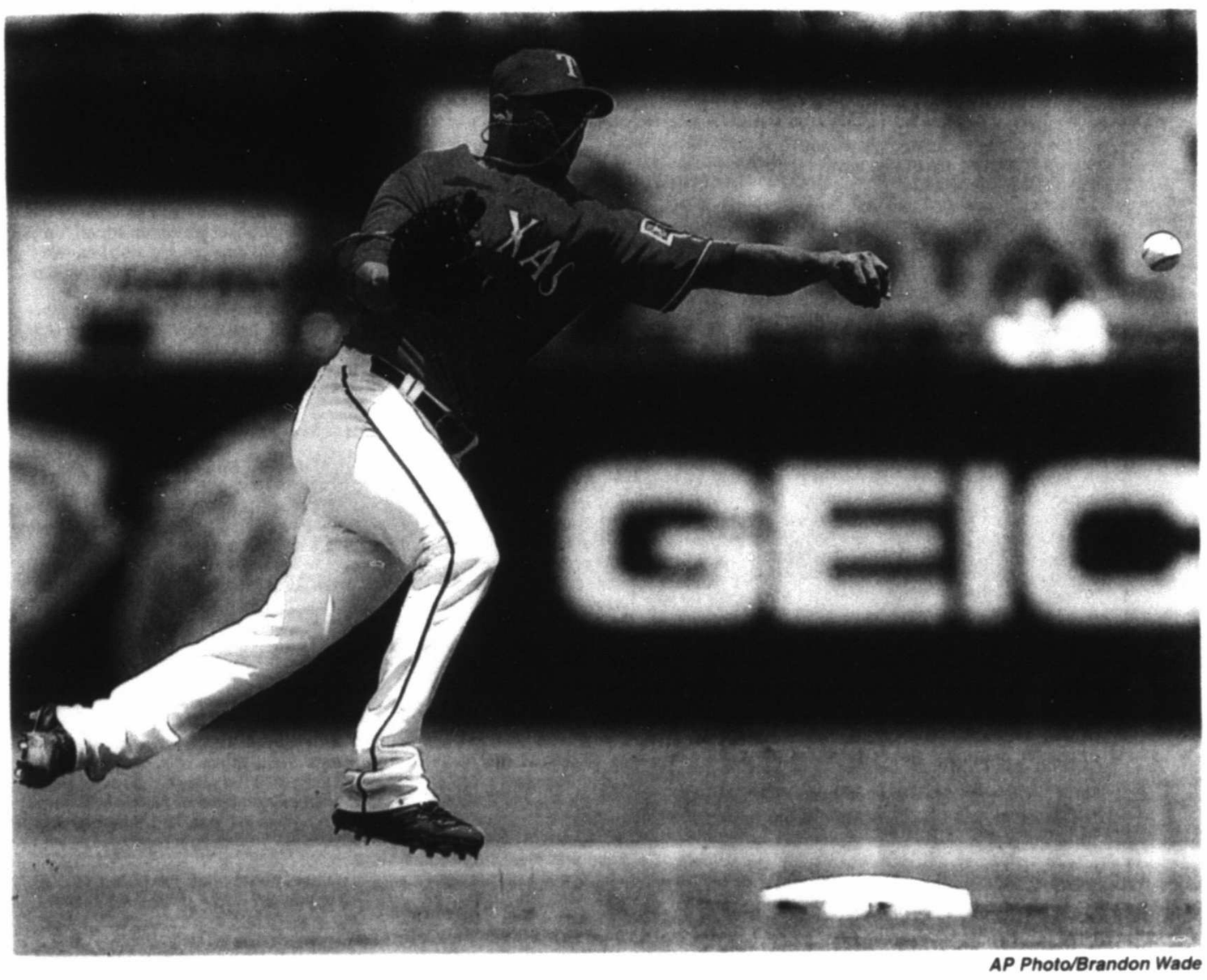

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Past few days 'difficult' for former Tennessee coach Summitt

By Steve Megargee
Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Pat Summitt's family said Sunday that the last few days have been difficult for the former Tennessee women's basketball coach as her Alzheimer's disease progresses.

Amid reports of Summitt's failing health, her family issued a statement asking for prayers and saying that the 64-year-old Summitt is surrounded by the people who mean the most to her. It also asked for privacy.

Summitt

The statement was posted on the Pat Summitt Foundation's website and was issued by Erin Freeman, a spokeswoman for the Summitt family.

Former Tennessee player Tamika Catchings was flying to Knoxville to visit the coach instead of returning to Indiana with the WNBA's Fever. Other former players were issuing support on Twitter through the "PrayForPat" hashtag. Phoenix Mercury center and Tennessee alum Isabelle Harrison said former Lady Volunteers players were keeping up with Summitt's situation in a group text-message chain.

"There are like 30 of us in a group chat right now talking, and people are flying into Knoxville and trying to see her," Harrison said Sunday after the Mercury's victory over the New York Liberty. "You just didn't expect any of this to happen. Everyone's trying to fill each other in with any information they have."

Harrison said she often went to Summitt's home and rehabbed with her last year while recovering from a torn anterior cruciate ligament that ended the post player's senior season at Tennessee prematurely. They also occasionally went to practice together.

"I was at practice one day watching some of the girls, (and a) freshman took a fast shot," Harrison said. "(Summitt) looked at me and was like, 'What was wrong was that?' I was like, 'She shot too quick.' (She said), 'Yeah, that's right.' (Summitt) still had it."

The update about Summitt's condition brought a flood of support from throughout the sports world.

Defending champ Serena Williams at Wimbledon ready to play

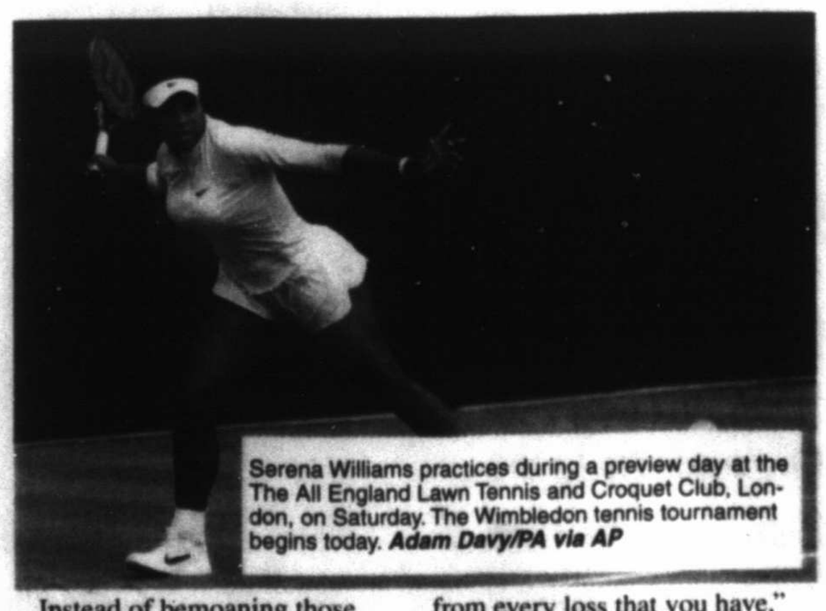
By Sandra Harwitt
Associated Press

LONDON — Top-ranked Serena Williams hasn't won a Grand Slam since Wimbledon a year ago, but the 21-time major champion appeared confident about her chances of retaining the title on the eve of the tournament.

"Honestly, I don't feel any pressure," said Williams, keeping her answers short at a pre-tournament news conference Sunday. "I feel good and confident."

Williams surprised many by failing to win any of the last three Grand Slam tournaments.

She fell to Roberta Vinci of Italy in the 2015 US Open semifinal, Angelique Kerber of Germany in the 2016 Australian Open final and Garbine Muguruza of Spain in the French Open final earlier this month.



Serena Williams practices during a preview day at the The All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, London, on Saturday. The Wimbledon tennis tournament begins today. *Adam Davy/PA via AP*

Instead of bemoaning those losses, however, Williams prefers to focus on coming back stronger.

"I think it's important to learn from every loss that you have," she said. "I think, in particular, throughout my whole career (I) have been able to learn a lot to come back a much better player."

Williams enters Wimbledon maintaining her No. 1 ranking for what will be an impressive 300th week at the top.

Nevertheless, Muguruza, Kerber, Agnieszka Radwanska and Simona Halep are all positioned to oust Williams from the top spot by the end of Wimbledon.

Williams will play 148th-ranked qualifier Amra Sadikovic of Switzerland, a player she admits knowing nothing about, in the first round on Tuesday.

"It doesn't matter who I play," she said. "It doesn't matter to me."

When she captured her sixth Wimbledon trophy last year it capped the second time in her career she held all four Grand Slam titles in a non-calendar year. She first achieved that distinction in 2002-03.

"It was a great accomplishment to win four Grand Slams in a row twice in my career," Williams said. "It's pretty cool. It's really awesome."

Like Williams, two-time defending champion Novak Djokovic arrived at Wimbledon without having played a grass court tune-up tournament.

Where the two don't agree is in their attitude: Williams insists she feels no pressure to perform this fortnight, while Djokovic believes it's impossible to escape those expectations.

"It's always present. Pressure is part of what we do," he said. "It's inevitable to face this kind of sensation as a top player, being expected to do well and to go as far as last four at least in the tournament, or finals."

Djokovic starts his campaign

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'HOUNDSWATCH

SUNDAY'S SCORE
Midland 3, San Antonio 0

TODAY'S GAME
No game scheduled

INTERNET
www.milb.com

2ND HALF RECORDS
Midland 4-2
San Antonio 2-4

Saturday	Sunday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
San Antonio 16, Midland 0	Midland 3, San Antonio 0	Texas All-Star Game	Midland at NW Arkansas, 7:05 p.m.	Midland at NW Arkansas, 7:05 p.m.

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

College Baseball
CWS Championship, Gm 1: , 6 p.m., ESPN
Golf
PGA of America: PGA Professional Championship, 2nd Round, 2 p.m., GOLF
Major League Baseball
LA Dodgers at Pittsburgh, 11:30 a.m., MLB
Texas at NY Yankees, 6 p.m., FSSW
NY Mets at Washington, 6 p.m., MLB
Houston at LA Angels, 9 p.m., ESPN, ROOT
Men's Soccer
EURO 2016: Italy vs. Spain, 11 a.m., ESPN2
EURO 2016: England vs. Iceland, 2 p.m., ESPN2
Olympic Trials
Women's 100m Back, Men's 200m Free, Women's 100m Breast, Men's 100m Back, Women's 400m Free, 5:30 p.m., NBCSN
Women's 100m Back, Men's 200m Free, Women's 100m Breast, Men's 100m Back, Women's 400m Free cont., 7 p.m., NBC
Softball
NPF: Akron at USSSA, 5:30 p.m., CBSSN
Tennis
Wimbledon, 6 a.m., ESPN
RADIO
Major League Baseball
Texas at NY Yankees, 6 p.m., KBEST 95.7 FM (Big Spring), KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa)

LOCAL SPORTS

FERGERSON HAS KEY GOAL FOR PREMIER TEAM

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Midland High rising senior Brooks Fergerson scored the game-winning goal to help the FC Dallas 98 Premier Team beat the Tennessee U-18 state champions, 2-1.

With the win, the FC Dallas 98 Premier team advances to the quarterfinals of the USYSA Region III Championship Tournament and it also finished as the top seed from its group going into the knock out rounds of the tournament.

2016 SENIOR INVITATIONAL

2016 Senior Invitational Results
at Green Tree Country Club
Nickaus Flight - 1st Gross, Doug Noah-Steve Whiteside 1st Net Gary Pfannenstiel-Scott Dickerson 2nd Net, Gary Mulloy-Vince Carlisle
Palmer Flight - 1st Gross, Skeet Mitchell-Robert Patterson 1st Net, Greg Pitts-Steve Pitts 2nd Net Donny Winslow-Steve Corson
Player Flight - 1st Gross, Steve Jumper-Scott Ranostaj, 1st Net, DV Edwards-Greg Pearson 2nd Net, Frank Benton-Greg Bunton
Jones Flight - 1st Gross, Steve Deffenbaugh-Robert Christensen 1st Net, Ray Farmer-Morris Vannoy 2nd Net, David Pitts-Bill Mewhorter

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Optioned LHP Ashur Tolliver to Norfolk (IL). Sent C Caleb Joseph to Frederick (Carolina) for a rehab assignment
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Claimed RHP J.C. Ramirez off waivers from Cincinnati.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Sent RHP Trevor May to Rochester (IL) for a rehab assignment
NEW YORK YANKEES — Optioned RHP Nick Goody to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Recalled RHP Luis Cessa from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Optioned RHPs Tyler Sturdevant and Danny Farquhar to Durham (IL). Reinstated RHP Ryan Webb from the 15-day DL
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Placed RHP Gavin Floyd on the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Bo Schultz from Buffalo (IL). Sent LHP Franklin Morales to Buffalo for a rehab assignment
National League
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Assigned OF Will Venable outright to Oklahoma City (PCL).
MIAMI MARLINS — Optioned RHP Nell Ozgando to New Orleans (PCL).
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Optioned LHP Kyle Lobstein to Indianapolis (IL). Selected the contract of RHP Chad Kuhl from Indianapolis. Released LHP Cory Luebke
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Sent RHP Sergio Romo to San Jose (Cal) for a rehab assignment
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Placed RHP Stephen Strasburg on the 15-day DL, retroactive to June 16
American Association
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Released OF Masato Fukae
JOPLIN BLASTERS — Signed RHP Jason Zgardowski
KANSAS CITY T-BONES — Signed LHP Mike Kickham
Can-Am League
NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Signed RHP David Anderson
ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Signed INF Aaron Wilson
Frontier League
RIVER CITY RASCALS — Released SS Craig Nenning and LHP Jason Ziegler
OLYMPIC SPORTS
USA GYMNASTICS — Named Mark Williams coach of the men's U.S. Olympic gymnastics team
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
NEW YORK RED BULLS — Loaned D Damien Perrinelle to Red Bulls II (USL)
COLLEGE
NEBRASKA — Announced senior men's basketball G Andrew White will transfer

WNBA GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	10	5	.667	-
Atlanta	8	6	.571	1 1/2
Washington	8	8	.500	2 1/2
Chicago	6	8	.429	3 1/2
Indiana	6	9	.400	4
Connecticut	3	12	.200	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	13	1	.929	-
Minnesota	13	2	.867	1/2
Dallas	7	8	.467	6 1/2
Phoenix	6	9	.400	7 1/2
Seattle	5	9	.357	8
San Antonio	3	11	.214	10

Scores & schedule

Saturday's Scores
San Antonio 73, Atlanta 69
Indiana 92, Dallas 87
Sunday's Scores
New York 97, Phoenix 104, OT
Washington 87, Minnesota 83
Los Angeles 80, Connecticut 73
Today's Games
No games scheduled
Tuesday's Games
Atlanta at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.

MLS GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	7	4	4	25	29	25
New York City FC	6	5	6	24	27	31
New York	7	8	2	23	28	23
Montreal	5	4	6	21	24	22
D.C. United	5	6	5	20	16	16
Orlando City	4	3	8	20	28	25
Toronto FC	5	6	4	19	17	18
New England	4	5	7	19	21	28
Columbus	3	5	7	16	19	22
Chicago	2	7	5	11	14	20

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	9	2	5	32	19	11
FC Dallas	9	5	4	31	26	24
Real Salt Lake	8	5	3	27	27	26
Vancouver	7	7	3	24	27	29
Los Angeles	5	3	8	23	28	18
Sporting Kansas City	6	8	4	22	18	20
San Jose	5	4	7	22	19	19
Portland	5	6	5	20	25	27
Seattle	5	9	1	16	13	19
Houston	3	7	5	14	20	22

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie

Scores & schedule

Wednesday's Scores
Philadelphia 4, Chicago 3
Real Salt Lake 2, New York 1
Colorado 0, Los Angeles 0, tie
Saturday's Scores
New York City FC 2, Seattle 0
D.C. United 2, New England 0
Vancouver 3, Philadelphia 2
New York 1, Columbus 1, tie
Orlando City 3, Toronto FC 2
Sporting Kansas City 2, Montreal 2, tie
FC Dallas 2, Real Salt Lake 0
Los Angeles 1, San Jose 1, tie
Sunday's Scores
Houston at Portland, 6 p.m.
Friday's Games
San Jose at Chicago, 7 p.m.
D.C. United at Real Salt Lake, 9:30 p.m.
Saturday's Games
New England at Montreal, 4:30 p.m.
Seattle at Toronto FC, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 8 p.m.
Sunday's Games
New York at New York City FC, 11 a.m.
Columbus at Sporting Kansas City, 6 p.m.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

June 28
At Sands Bethlehem (Pa.) Event Center (FS1), Edner Cherry vs. Lydell Rhodes, 10, lightweights. Omar Douglas vs. Alexei Collado, 10, featherweights.
July 1
At Belasco Theater, Los Angeles, Oscar Negrete vs. Jose Bustos, 10, bantamweights.
July 11
At DIVS Palace of Sports, Ekaterinburg, Russia, Sergey Kovalev vs. Isaac Chilemba, 12, for Kovalev's IBF/WBA-WBO light heavyweight title.
July 16
At Max-Schmeling-Halle, Berlin, Giovanni De Carolis vs. Tyron Zeuge, 12, for De Carolis' WBA World super middleweight title; Arthur Abraham vs. Tim-Robin Lihaug, 10, for the vacant WBO international super middleweight title.
At Legacy Arena, Birmingham, Ala. (FOX), Deontay Wilder vs. Chris Arreola, 12, for Wilder's WBC World heavyweight title.
July 23
At the MGM Grand, Las Vegas (PPV), Terence Crawford vs. Viktor Postol, 12, for the WBO/WBC junior welterweight title unification; Gilberto Ramirez vs. Dominik Britsch, 12, for Ramirez's WBO super middleweight title; Oscar Valdez vs. Matias Adrian Rueda, 12, featherweights; Jose Benavidez Jr. vs. Francisco Santana, 10, welterweights; Lenny Zappavigna vs. IK Yang, 10, junior welterweights; Ryota Murata vs. George Tahdooahnippah, 10, middleweights.
July 30
At Barclays Center, Brooklyn, N.Y. (SHO), Carl Frampton vs. Leo Santa Cruz, 12, for the WBA featherweight title.

NFL CALENDAR

July 15 — Franchise players must sign multi-year contract or can only sign a one-year contract with his club for the 2016 season.
Aug. 6 — Pro Football Hall of Fame inductions, Canton, Ohio.
Aug. 7 — Hall of Fame game, Green Bay vs. Indianapolis, Canton, Ohio.
Aug. 30 — First preseason cutdown date.
Sept. 3 — Second preseason cutdown date.
Sept. 8 — Season opener, Carolina at Denver.
Sept. 11-12 — Opening weekend.

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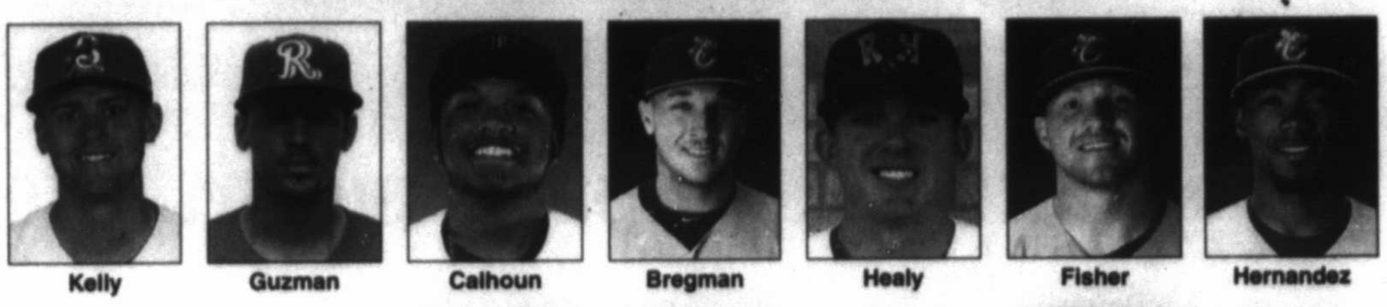
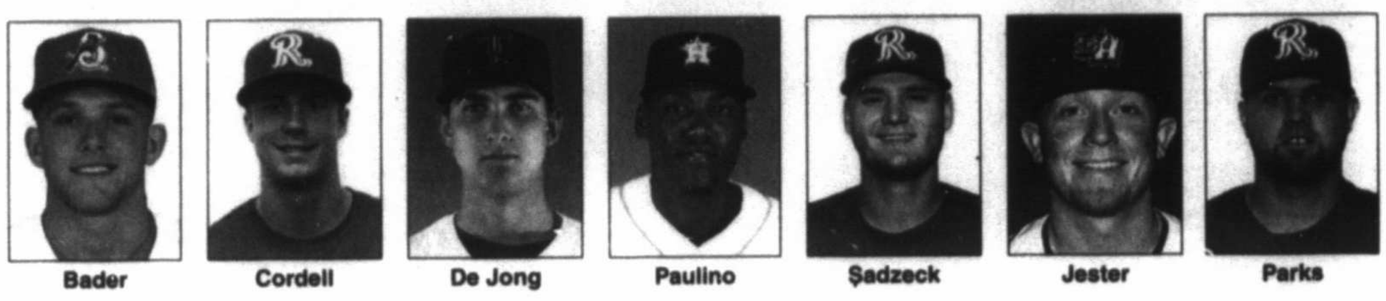
MRT'S 2016 TEXAS LEAGUE ALL-STAR FIRST HALF TEAM


Kelly, Guzman, Calhoun, Bregman, Healy, Fisher, Hernandez


Bader, Cordell, De Jong, Paulino, Sadzeck, Jester, Parks

By Will Korn
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***Note: All stats current as of Friday, June 24**

Catcher
Carson Kelly
Springfield
.294, 6 HR, 17 RBI

This was undoubtedly the easiest selection to make on this entire list. The Texas League is frightfully thin with talent behind the plate right now. Kelly is a good player in his own right and is sixth in the TL in batting average (.294). But on the other hand, there was really nobody else to choose from.

Others considered: Cam Gallagher, Northwest Arkansas

First Base
Ronald Guzman
Frisco
.287, 10 HR, 32 RBI

This, on the other hand, was undoubtedly the most difficult pick to make. With a laundry list of worthy names, Guzman is certainly debatable. But among all of the other candidates, he is the youngest (21) and the most well-rounded hitter with 13 doubles and four triples to go along with a .352 on-base percentage.

Others considered: Luke Voit, Springfield; Ryan O'Hearn, Northwest Arkansas; Viosergy Rosa, Midland; Eric Aguilera, Arkansas; Frank Schwindel, Northwest Arkansas

Second Base
Willie Calhoun
Tulsa
.271, 14 HR, 51 RBI

Another easy selection. Like catcher, second base is not a position brimming with hot shot prospects at this time in the TL. Calhoun has that highly coveted power (his 14 home runs are tied for second most in the league) that organizations would dream for their middle infielders to have. For a power hitter, he also keeps his strikeout rate remarkably low (14.9 percent in 269 at-bats).

Others considered: Alex Yarbrough, Arkansas; Franklin Barreto, Midland

Shortstop
Alex Bregman
Corpus Christi
.302, 14 HR, 44 RBI

A true no-brainer here. Corpus Christi had another player like this at the shortstop position last season in Carlos Correa. Similar to Correa, Bregman is probably the best player in the TL. He's showing the total package at the plate: Power, contact ability and patience -- he has 35 walks to just 25 strikeouts. There is no conceivable scenario that he isn't starting on virtually any all-star team anywhere in Minor League Baseball.

Others considered: Jose Rondon, San Antonio; Isiah Kiner-Falefa, Frisco

Third Base
Ryon Healy
Midland
.338, 8 HR, 34 RBI (in 36 games in Double-A)

Prior to his promotion to Triple-A Nashville on May 17, Healy was far and away Midland's top all-around player and was one of the best in the TL. At the time of his call up, he was hitting .338 with a .409 on-base percentage to go along with eight home runs and 34 RBI in 36 games. There isn't much to discuss here.

Others considered: Mauricio Ramos, Northwest Arkansas; J.D. Davis, Corpus Christ; Gabriel Quintana, San Antonio

Outfield
Derek Fisher
Corpus Christi

The best outfielder in the TL circuit right now. Fisher is a particularly impressive specimen, as he's leading the league in walks (55) by a wide margin and has also swiped 17 bags, second-most in the TL. He's tied for fourth in home runs (12) and fourth in RBI with 43. Outside of Bregman, there may not be a more complete player in the TL.

Outfield
Teoscar Hernandez
Corpus Christi
.303, 6 HR, 28 RBI

A speedier, less powerful version of Fisher and a major reason that the Hooks ran away with the TL South First Half title. Hernandez has 29 stolen bases and is also showing Fisher-esque plate discipline with 31 walks. He's got some pop, but any all-star team would love to have his wheels in both its lineup and in its outfield.

Outfield
Harrison Bader
Springfield
.308, 13 HR, 32 RBI

He's leading the league in batting average by five points at .308, is tied for third in hits (78) and is second league-wide in total bases (135). Bader was a tough call to round out the outfield over Cordell, but his superior OBP was the deciding factor.

Others considered: Ryan Cordell, Frisco; Nick Torres, San Antonio; Alex Verdugo, Tulsa; Cal Towey, Arkansas; Preston Beck, Frisco; Lewis Brinson, Frisco; Bo Way, Arkansas

Designated Hitter
Ryan Cordell
Frisco
.291, 14 HR, 51 RBI

Cordell has been too good this year to be completely left off this team, though TL home run leader Matt Chapman of Midland was a close second. Cordell is having a breakout season with the RoughRiders and is leading the circuit in total bases (146) and is tied for the league lead in RBIs (51) plus 14 home runs.

Others considered: Matt Chapman, Midland; Viosergy Rosa, Midland; Luke Voit, Springfield; Chase McDonald, Corpus Christi; J.D. Davis, Corpus Christi; Eric Aguilera, Arkansas; Paul DeJong, Springfield; Nick Torres, San Antonio

Starting Pitcher
Chase De Jong
Tulsa
7-4, 2.64 ERA

Perhaps the best pitcher in the league. The 2012 second-round pick by the Toronto Blue Jays is sporting the TLs lowest WHIP (1.00) among qualified starters and is tied for second in strikeouts (72). On top of that, he's yielded just 54 hits in 78 1/3 frames.

Starting Pitcher
David Paulino
Corpus Christi
4-2, 1.86 ERA

The premier arm in the TL South. Paulino has flashed impeccable control (11 walks in 58 innings) and is keeping the ball in the yard with only two home runs allowed. Most of all, he's got the second-best earned run average in the league. With that distinction, he simply has to be on this list.

Starting Pitcher
Connor Sadzeck
Frisco
6-2, 3.18 ERA

Pure gas is what comes out of that big, at times overbearing right arm of his. Sadzeck has 100-plus mph capability with his fastball and has been one of the league's toughest hurlers to square up (58 hits in 79 1/3 innings). He also has two complete games to his credit this season, tops in the TL.

Others considered: Keegan Yuhl, Corpus Christi; Trevor Oaks, Tulsa; Alec Mills, Northwest Arkansas; Daniel Poncedeleon, Springfield; Jake Junis, Northwest Arkansas

Relief Pitcher
Jason Jester
San Antonio
0-0, 1.73 ERA

There were so many deserving names here to fill out the pen. But Jester definitely gets a nod because of his outrageous command. In 26 innings this season, the Texas A&M product has fanned 33 and walked five. He's a manager's dream out of the bullpen late in a game.

Relief Pitcher
Adam Parks
Frisco
1-0, 1.86 ERA

Strikingly similar to Jester in that he boasts a 30:3 strikeout-to-walk ratio in 19 1/3 innings. Unlike Jester however, Parks is practically unhittable. He's surrendered just nine hits in those 19 1/3 frames and opponents are hitting a measly .134 off him.

Others considered: Tyler DeLoach, Arkansas; Edward Paredes, Arkansas; Joe Musgrove, Corpus Christi; Brendan McCurry, Corpus Christi; Bobby Wahl, Midland; Andres Avila, Midland; Andrew Edwards, Northwest Arkansas; Luke Weaver, Springfield; Grant Dayton, Tulsa

Surprise, surprise: Chanticleers, Arizona set for CWS finals

By Eric Olson
Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — All those SEC and ACC heavyweights are long gone from the NCAA Tournament, and the last two Big 12 teams went home this weekend.

The College World Series championship comes down to two teams that were not expected to even make it to Omaha, let alone the finals.

Coastal Carolina and Arizona had to go through demanding regionals and super regionals on the road to make the CWS, and each had to come back from an early loss here to win three straight in bracket play and reach the best-of-three finals starting Monday night.

Even more impressive, the Chanticleers (53-17) have made it this far in their first CWS appearance.

The Wildcats (48-22) are here in Jay Johnson's first season as coach after having not even made the national tournament in the three years following their 2012 national championship.

They were picked ninth in the Pac-12 and ended up tied for third.

Coastal Carolina and Arizona have had no trouble adjusting to TD Ameritrade Park, with its spacious outfield and the prevailing south wind that knocks down balls that would be home runs in other stadiums.

The Chanticleers lead the nation in homers, but they've hit just one here. They have a CWS-leading 11 doubles, relied on the bunt to move runners over, played strong defense and gotten two complete games from Andrew Beckwith.

The Wildcats have ridden the hitting of Zach Gibbons (.474, seven RBIs), Jared Oliva (.375, six RBIs) and JJ Matijevic (.353), a defense that has committed just one error in five games and the pitching of Bobby Dalbec, Nathan Bannister and reliever Cameron Ming.

COLLEGE WORLD SERIES GLANCE

At TD Ameritrade Park Omaha
Omaha, Neb.
Double Elimination
Sunday, June 19
TCU 5, Texas Tech 3
Coastal Carolina 2, Florida 1
Monday, June 20
UC Santa Barbara 5, Miami 3, Miami eliminated
Oklahoma State 1, Arizona 0
Tuesday, June 21
Texas Tech 3, Florida 2, Florida eliminated
TCU 6, Coastal Carolina 1 Wednesday, June 22
Arizona 3, UC Santa Barbara 0, UCSB eliminated
Thursday, June 23
Coastal Carolina 7, Texas Tech 5, Texas Tech eliminated
Friday, June 24
Arizona 9, Oklahoma State 3
Coastal Carolina 4, TCU 1
Saturday, June 25
Arizona 5, Oklahoma State 1, OSU eliminated
Coastal Carolina 7, TCU 5, TCU eliminated Championship Series
(Best-of-3)
x-if necessary
Monday, June 27: Arizona (48-22) vs. Coastal Carolina (53-17), 6 p.m.
Tuesday, June 28: Arizona vs. Coastal Carolina, 7 p.m.
x-Wednesday, June 29: Arizona vs. Coastal Carolina, 7 p.m.

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'HOUNDSREPORT

FROM STAFF REPORTS

ROCKHOUNDS 3, MISSIONS 0

at Security Bank Ballpark

TOP HITTER: Midland's J.P. Sportman was 2-for-3 with an RBI and run scored on a day when hits were hard to come by for both teams.

TOP PITCHERS: Midland starter Corey Walter allowed just two hits and struck out three in his four innings of work. ... Midland reliever Jake Sanchez picked up his fourth win of the season after throwing two perfect innings.

HIGHLIGHTS: The Rock-Hounds got on the board in the third inning when Sportman scored on a groundout by Visoergy Rosa. ... Midland plated two more runs in the fifth as Sportman had an RBI single, while Danny Oh scored on an infield throwing error.

NOTES: The RockHounds took three of four from the Missions in the series. ... Midland turned three double plays on the afternoon. ... The Texas League takes a three-day break for the All-Star game in Springfield, Missouri, on Tuesday. ... Midland will then be on the road for six games at Northwest Arkansas and Arkansas and will return to Security Bank Ballpark on July 6.

ROCKHOUNDS 3, MISSIONS 0

San Antonio	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Ward	3	0	1	0	Sportman cf	3	1	2	1

TL standings

Second Half

North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa (Dodgers)	4	2	.667	—
Northwest Arkansas (Royals)	4	2	.667	—
Arkansas (Angels)	4	2	.200	2 1/2
Springfield (Cardinals)	2	3	.400	1 1/2

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Corpus Christi (Astros)	4	2	.667	—
Midland (Athletics)	4	2	.667	—
Frisco (Rangers)	2	4	.333	1 1/2
San Antonio (Padres)	2	4	.333	2

Sunday's Games

Northwest Arkansas 8, Tulsa 3
Midland 3, San Antonio 0
Springfield 4, Arkansas 2
Corpus Christi 6, Frisco 2

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Rondon ss	3	0	1	0	Barreto	4	0	1	0
Torres lf	4	0	0	0	Rosa 1b	4	0	0	1
Schulz rf	3	0	0	0	Marincov rf	3	0	1	0
Stevens 3b	3	0	0	0	Taylor	3	0	0	0
Quintana dh	3	0	0	0	Chapman dh	2	1	0	0
Miller c	3	0	1	0	Munoz ss	3	0	0	0
Bousfield cf	3	0	0	0	Kirkland 3b	3	0	0	0
Tejada 1b	3	0	1	0	Oh lf	3	1	1	0
Totals	28	0	4	0	Totals	28	3	5	1

San Antonio	000	000	000	–0
Midland	000	120	00x	–3

E – Stevens (4). Rosa (5). DP – San Antonio 1, Midland 3. LOB – San Antonio 3, Midland 3. 2B – Barreto (11). SB – Oh (12). CS – Ward (7). Barreto (8). S – Ward.

San Antonio	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Northcraft L, 1-2	5.0	5	3	2	1	2
Torres	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
Brasobahn 1.0	0	0	0	0	1	
Jester	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
Midland						
Walter	4.0	2	0	0	0	0
Sanchez W, 4-4	2.0	0	0	0	0	0
Finnegan	2.0	1	0	0	1	1
Wahl S, 1	1.0	1	0	0	0	2

PB – Miller. HBP – by Northcraft (Sportman). T – 2:10. A – 2,671.

Kennedy strikes out 11 as Royals top Astros 6-1

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Ian Kennedy knew Kansas City needed a long outing, and he delivered.

Kennedy struck out 11 over seven innings, Kendrys Morales hit two home runs and the Royals snapped the Houston Astros' seven-game winning streak with a 6-1 victory Sunday.

After Royals starters Edinson Volquez and Chris Young were roughed up in blowout losses in the first two games of this series, lasting a total of 3 1/3 innings, Kennedy allowed one run and three hits with one walk.

"Last night I passed him after the game and he said, 'You need for me to go nine?'" Royals manager Ned Yost said. "I said, 'No, just give me a strong seven.' And that's exactly what he did. That's a real good hitting team over there and to hold them to three hits, seven strong innings, he just pitched tremendous and gave us an opportunity to let things sort out in that bullpen."

Kennedy (6-6) struck out his final four batters and finished one shy of matching his career best in strikeouts.

"Every time out you try to do that," Kennedy said. "It doesn't happen every time, obviously, unless you're (Clayton) Kershaw or guys like him that just go out and punch everybody else out and go seven or eight innings every single time.

"That's kind of what pitching is, make everything look like a fastball. My curveball today was better than it has been. I was staying on top of it. It was a little bit better than normal. I was just throwing fastball, curveball for the most part of the game. My slider when I needed it was down and had some good break. I threw it in some good counts."

Morales connected for a solo drive in the fourth and seventh. Cheslor Cuthbert hit a two-run shot against Doug Fister (8-4) during Kansas City's five-run seventh.

"It really happened fast," Astros manager A.J. Hinch said.

"It takes a little bit away from how good Doug was for most of the game and leaves a bad taste in his mouth, I'm sure."

Lorenzo Cain had three of the Royals' 13 hits.

Fister, who was 7-0 in his previous 10 starts, lost for the first time since April 25. He gave up four runs and eight hits in 6 2/3 innings, including three home runs.

"In a big league ballgame, most times it comes down to two or three pitches," Fister said. "Ian made those pitches today. I didn't."

Evan Gattis hit a leadoff homer in the sixth for Houston.

Astros star Jose Altuve singled in the fourth to extend his streak of reaching base safely to 29 straight games, matching his career high set last year and the longest active streak in the majors.

Trainer's room

Royals: RHP Kris Medlen, who is on the disabled list with rotator cuff inflammation, threw 4 2/3 innings for Triple-A Omaha on Saturday, allowing an unearned run and two hits. "He's probably not ready," Yost said. "He's throwing the ball good. We need to get him built up, need to get him some consistency. He really took a good step yesterday in terms of his command. But, as to need, we've got him slated for more (rehab) starts."

Up next

Astros: RHP Collin McHugh, who starts Monday at Los Angeles, is 4-2 with 2.82 ERA in eight career starts against the Angels.

Royals: LHP Danny Duffy, who starts Monday against the Cardinals, is 3-3 with a 3.10 ERA in 13 appearances against National League clubs. St. Louis will counter with RHP Adam Wainwright.

PEREZ

From 1C

high five walks in the first inning of his second start since coming back from a brief demotion to the bullpen.

He gave up seven hits and five runs — four earned — in 5 1/3 innings, falling to 1-6 against Texas.

Trainer's room

Red Sox: Utility player Brock Holt is getting close to a return after missing 34 games with a concussion, but the plan is for a cautious approach when he does get back. "To say that once he comes back, he's good to go five to six times a week, I think that might be a little aggressive right now," manager John Farrell said.

Rangers: RHP Yu Darvish (right shoulder discomfort) threw 30 pitches in a bullpen session.

Up next

Red Sox: LHP Eduardo Rodriguez (1-2, 6.41 ERA) gets the opener of a three-game series at Tampa Bay on Monday night. He is winless in four straight starts since beating Baltimore 6-2 in his 2016 debut.

Rangers: RHP Chi Chi Gonzalez is set for his first appearance of the season in the opener of a four-game series at the Yankees on Monday night. He was 3-5 with a 4.03 ERA in 10 starts as a rookie last year.

IOC official says unclear doping lab will be ready in time

By Stephen Wade
Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO — A top International Olympic Committee official says it's unclear if the suspended anti-doping laboratory for the Rio de Janeiro Olympics can be re-opened before the games start in just under six weeks.

"This is something that is doable," Olympic Games Executive Director Christophe Dubi said Sunday. "But there are a number of steps that need to be taken."

The World Anti-doping Agency announced Friday it had suspended the Rio lab. Dubi said the suspension was for "wrongly interpreting" test results and producing "false positives."

Thousands of blood and urine tests will need to be shipped abroad if the lab remains closed, another major embarrassment to games organizers who have faced problems from the Zika virus, to budget cuts to slow ticket sales.

Officials of the lab said Friday they expected "operations to return to normal in July." Brazil's anti-doping authority, known as ABCD and run by the sports ministry, shared the same view.

Dubi said it was up to WADA to send in experts and restart the accreditation process. He did not offer a timeframe.

The Rio lab was recertified earlier this year after being put on a watch list last year by WADA.

Dubi said enough time remained to recertify the lab, though he hedged when asked if testing would be done in Brazil.

"Hopefully," he replied.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

TWINS 7
YANKEES 1

NEW YORK — Tyler Duffey never thought for a moment that he was pitching for his spot in the Minnesota rotation. The idea that he was pitching a perfect game at Yankee Stadium, yep, that was in his head.

The struggling Duffey set down his first 17 batters and wound up throwing two-hit ball for eight innings while the Twins backed him with six home runs to beat New York 7-1 Sunday.

"I knew what was going on the whole time," Duffey said.

Brian Dozier, Trevor Plouffe and Max Kepler hit consecutive homers in the sixth inning to help end a three-game skid. Danny Santana, Eduardo Nunez and Juan Centeno also connected in the Twins' first six-homer game since 2007.

INDIANS 9
TIGERS 3

DETROIT — Terry Francona did something Sunday at Comerica Park that he rarely gets to do. He relaxed while sitting in the visiting manager's office.

The Cleveland Indians had just beaten the Tigers 9-3, winning their ninth straight game and improving to 9-0 against Detroit this season.

"I've spent a lot of long nights in this office, trying to figure how to regroup after getting beat up yet again by that team," Francona said. "I can't entirely explain this, but it feels good."

The Indians roughed up a pitcher Francona has great respect for — Justin Verlander. They homered four times off him in a six-run fifth inning to take control of the game.

ORIOLES 12
RAYS 5

BALTIMORE — The Tampa Bay Rays had just completed a winless road trip, and the clubhouse was still and silent as the players packed for home.

Unfortunately, there was no guarantee a change in venue would make a difference for a struggling team stuck in an 11-game losing streak.

Baltimore Orioles slugger Chris Davis set the tone with a first-inning grand slam, and the Rays lost 12-5 Sunday to match their longest skid in seven years.

"We're just not winning right now," losing pitcher Drew Smyly said. "It's going south. Something new every game. We're just not clicking as a team."

WHITE SOX 5
BLUE JAYS 2

CHICAGO — Chris Sale pitched eight innings of two-run ball to become the majors' first 13-game winner, and the Chicago White Sox beat the Toronto Blue Jays 5-2 on Sunday.

Tim Anderson and J.B. Shuck homered to help Chicago take two of three from slumping Toronto, which has dropped five of seven. The White Sox returned to .500 (38-38) with their fifth win in seven games.

Sale (13-2) allowed five hits, struck out seven and walked two in his fourth straight victory. The ace left-hander matched his win total from all of 2015 when he was 13-11.

ANGELS 7
ATHLETICS 6

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Coco Crisp and the Oakland Athletics had a chance for a four-game sweep of the Los Angeles Angels. The bullpen just couldn't hold on.

Crisp hit a grand slam, but Oakland lost 7-6 Sunday when Jefry Marte hit a game-ending sacrifice fly for Los Angeles.

Mike Trout led off the Angels ninth with a single against Liam Hendriks (0-1). With one out and the bases loaded, Marte's fly ball to center field scored Trout easily from third and stopped the Angels' six-game losing streak.

The A's led 6-2 after six innings, but Trout hit a two-run homer in the seventh and Marte had an RBI single in the Angels' two-run eighth. Huston Street (3-1) pitched a scoreless ninth for the win.

National League

MIAMI 6
CUBS 1

MIAMI — It's late June and the Cubs are in first place, which means it must be time to talk about averting a collapse.

The subject came up after Sunday's 6-1 loss at Miami, capping a week in which the Cubs went 1-6. They still have the best record in the majors, and they also have a rich tradition of fading before the finish.

"We better call in reinforcements and call that panic button," first baseman Anthony Rizzo said facetiously. Then he suggested this Cubs team, unlike others, can weather rough patches.

"We've put ourselves in a good position to go through these stretches," Rizzo said. "I'm not saying it's OK. I'm not saying it's fun. But it's a long season."

REDS 3
PADRES 0

CINCINNATI — They won three games and they got to see a little history. All in all, the Padres had a wonderful time in Cincinnati.

Anthony DeSclafani pitched eight innings and singled with the bases loaded on Sunday, helping the Reds salvage their weekend dedicated to Pete Rose with a 3-0 victory.

"Overall it was a good weekend," San Diego manager Andy Green said. "It was enjoyable for me but when you're managing a big league club, you don't walk away from losing a game and feel much joy in the aftermath. I'll reflect on the weekend much more favorably as time passes."

The Padres were trying to pull off their first four-game sweep of Cincinnati. They couldn't do much against DeSclafani (2-0) in his fourth start since returning from a strained oblique that he suffered during spring training.

BRAVES 5
METS 2

ATLANTA — Bud Norris is making the most of his second chance in the Braves' rotation.

Norris threw seven scoreless innings, Freddie Freeman and Adonis Garcia homered and Atlanta beat Bartolo Colon and the New York Mets 5-2 on Sunday.

Freeman had three hits against Colon, helping Atlanta salvage a split of the four-game series. Freeman said his approach against the 43-year-old Colon was the same as he would use against a knuckleball pitcher.

NATIONALS 3
BREWERS 2

MILWAUKEE — Jimmy Nelson kept the Washington Nationals from making solid contact on Sunday.

But walks led to an early exit for the Milwaukee Brewers starter, who is winless in his past five starts.

"It was just command," Nelson said.

The Nationals ended a seven-game losing streak with a 3-2 win over the Brewers.

Nelson gave up one hit through five innings but walked three consecutive batters with two outs in the fifth, before retiring Bryce Harper on a warning-track drive to center.

GIANTS 8
PHILLIES 7

SAN FRANCISCO — Conor Gillaspie hit a game-ending RBI double with one out in the ninth inning to lift San Francisco past the Philadelphia Phillies 8-7 on Sunday and give manager Bruce Bochy his 800th win with the Giants.

Ramiro Pena doubled down the right-field line off Severino Gonzalez (0-1) then scored standing up when Gillaspie lined a 1-1 pitch in the same direction. It was Gillaspie's second career walkoff hit and the seventh by the Giants this season, most in the majors.

Angel Pagan had a season-high four hits and two RBIs while five others had two hits apiece for San Francisco, which has won 13 of 15.

ROCKIES 9
DIAMONDBACKS 7

DENVER — Mark Reynolds hit a two-run homer with two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning to give the Colorado Rockies a 9-7 victory over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Sunday.

Carlos Gonzalez had a grand slam, and Trevor Story and Charlie Blackmon also went deep for the Rockies, who earned a split of the four-game series.

Story was hit by a pitch leading off the ninth. Silvino Bracho (0-1) retired the next two batters before Reynolds drove a 2-1 fastball an estimated 464 feet to left-center for his eighth home run of the season.

Interleague

CARDINALS 11
MARINERS 6

SEATTLE — Matt Carpenter and Tommy Pham each homered twice as the St. Louis Cardinals went deep six times in an 11-6 victory over the Seattle Mariners on Sunday.

Jedd Gyorko and Matt Holliday also homered for St. Louis. Carpenter, Holliday, and Aledmys Diaz each had three hits as the Cardinals finished with 17 — including 13 for extra bases.

Gyorko and Pham led off the seventh with back-to-back home runs against reliever Nick Vincent (1-7) to break a 6-6 tie. Holliday extended St. Louis' lead to 9-6 with a solo shot in the eighth against Edwin Diaz. Pham and Carpenter each hit their second home runs, both solo shots, in the ninth.

MLB GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	45	30	.600	—
Boston	41	34	.547	4
Toronto	41	36	.532	5
New York	37	37	.500	7 1/2
Tampa Bay	31	43	.419	13 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	44	30	.595	—
Kansas City	39	35	.527	5
Chicago	38	38	.500	7
Detroit	38	39	.500	7
Minnesota	24	51	.320	20 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	49	27	.645	—
Houston	39	37	.513	10
Seattle	38	38	.500	11
Oakland	32	43	.427	16 1/2
Los Angeles	32	44	.421	17

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	44	32	.579	—
New York	40	34	.541	3
Miami	41	35	.539	3
Philadelphia	32	45	.416	12 1/2
Atlanta	29	47	.347	17 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	48	28	.649	—
St. Louis	39	35	.527	9
Pittsburgh	37	39	.487	12
Milwaukee	34	41	.453	14 1/2
Cincinnati	29	47	.382	20

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	49	28	.636	—
Los Angeles	41	36	.532	8
Colorado	36	39	.480	12
Arizona	28	42	.462	13 1/2
San Diego	30	44	.405	16

Scores & schedule

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Sunday's Scores

Minnesota 7, N.Y. Yankees 1
Cleveland 9, Detroit 3
Baltimore 12, Tampa Bay 5
Chicago White Sox 5, Toronto 2
Kansas City 6, Houston 1
Texas 6, Boston 2
L.A. Angels 7, Oakland 6
St. Louis 11, Seattle 6

Today's Games

Texas (Gonzalez 0-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Nova 5-5), 6:05 p.m.
Boston (Rodriguez 1-2) at Tampa Bay (Snell 0-2), 6:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Bauer 5-2) at Atlanta (Gant 1-2), 6:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Wainwright 6-4) at Kansas City (Duffy 2-1), 7:15 p.m.
Toronto (Estrada 5-3) at Colorado (Gray 4-3), 7:40 p.m.
Houston (McHugh 5-5) at L.A. Angels (Shoemaker 3-8), 9:05 p.m.
Oakland (Mengden 0-3) at San Francisco (Samardzija 8-4), 8:15 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Sunday's Scores

Cincinnati 3, San Diego 0
Miami 6, Chicago Cubs 1
Atlanta 5, N.Y. Mets 2
Washington 3, Milwaukee 2
San Francisco 8, Philadelphia 7
Colorado 9, Arizona 7
St. Louis 11, Seattle 6
Pittsburgh 4, L.A. Dodgers 3

Today's Games

L.A. Dodgers (Kazmir 5-3) at Pittsburgh (Uriarte 4-7), 11:35 a.m.
N.Y. Mets (Syndergaard 8-2) at Washington (Ross 6-4), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 11-2) at Cincinnati (Straily 4-4), 6:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Bauer 5-2) at Atlanta (Gant 1-2), 6:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Wainwright 6-4) at Kansas City (Duffy 2-1), 7:15 p.m.
Toronto (Estrada 5-3) at Colorado (Gray 4-3), 7:40 p.m.
Philadelphia (Velasquez 5-2) at Arizona (Ray 4-6), 8:40 p.m.
Oakland (Mengden 0-3) at San Francisco (Samardzija 8-4), 8:15 p.m.

Texas Boxes

RANGERS 6, RED SOX 2

Boston	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
Betts rf	5	0	2	0	Choo rf	4	2	3	0
Pedroia 2b	3	0	1	0	Desmond cf	3	1	1	0
Bgaerts ss	4	1	1	0	Mazara lf	3	1	1	1
Han.Rmr 1b	3	0	1	0	Beltre 3b	4	1	2	2
Brdly J cf	4	0	0	0	Fielder dh	3	1	1	2
Brantz dh	3	1	2	1	Odor 2b	4	0	2	1
Ortiz ph-dh	1	0	1	1	Andrus ss	3	0	0	0
T.Shaw 3b	4	0	0	0	Mreland 1b	2	0	0	0
Leon c	3	0	0	0	Holaday c	2	0	0	0
LaMarre lf	3	0	0	0	Profar ph	1	0	0	0
M.Hrnnd ph	1	0	0	0	Chrinos c	0	0	0	0
Totals	**34**	**2**	**8**	**2**	**Totals**	**29**	**6**	**10**	**6**

Boston	000	001	010	–2
Texas	300	002	10x	–6

E—Bogaerts (7). DP—Boston 5, Texas 1. LOB—Boston 8, Texas 6. 2B—Choo (2). HR—Brantz (1), Fielder (7). SB—Brndley Jr. (6). CS—Choo (2), Holaday (1).

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Buchholz L,3-8	5.1-3	7	5	4	4	3
Layne	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Hembree	1	2	1	1	0	1
Cuevas	1	1	0	0	1	1
Texas						
Perez W,7-4	6	6	1	1	2	2
Bush	1-2-3	1	1	1	0	1
Diekman	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Tolleson	1	0	0	0	0	0

PB—Leon.
T—3:04. A—36,312 (48,114).

ROYALS 6, ASTROS 1

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Kansas City	ab	r	h	bi
Springer rf	3	0	1	0	Mnfield 2b	4	0	1	0
Ma.Grzl 2b	4	0	0	0	Gordon lf	4	1	1	0
Altuve dh	4	0	1	0	L.Cain cf	4	1	3	0
Correa ss	4	0	0	0	Hosmer dh	4	0	2	2
Col.Rem lf	3	0	0	0	S.Perez c	4	1	1	0
A.Reed 1b	3	0	0	0	Moirales 1b	4	2	2	2
C.Gomez cf	3	0	0	0	Orlando rf	4	0	1	0
Vbuena 3b	3	0	0	0	A.Escbr ss	4	1	2	0
Gattis c	3	1	2	1	Cthbert 3b	4	1	1	2
Totals	**30**	**1**	**4**	**1**	**Totals**	**35**	**6**	**13**	**6**

Houston	000	001	000	–1
Kansas City	200	100	03x	–6

DP—Houston 1, Kansas City 1. LOB—Houston 3, Kansas City 6. 2B—L.Cain (12), Hosmer (15). HR—Gattis (12), Morales 2 (10), Cuthbert (7). CS—Altuve (3).

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Fister L,8-6	6 2-3	8	4	4	0	6
Sipp	0	2	2	2	0	0
Devenski	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	1
Kansas City						
Kennedy W,6-6	7	3	1	1	1	11
Herrera	1	0	0	0	0	2
Davis	1	1	0	0	0	0

Sipp pitched to 3 batters in the 7th
T—2:33 A—36,450 (37,903).

FROM LATE SATURDAY

RANGERS 10, RED SOX 3

Boston	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
Betts rf	4	0	1	1	Choo rf	5	1	1	0
Pedroia 2b	4	0	1	0	Desmond cf	5	1	2	1
M.Hrnnd 2b	0	0	0	0	Mazara lf	4	1	1	0
Bgaerts ss	3	1	0	0	Beltre 3b	4	3	2	1
Ortiz dh	3	0	0	0	Fielder dh	3	1	2	0
Han.Rmr 1b	4	1	2	1	Rua pr-dh	0	0	0	0
Brdly J cf	4	1	2	1	Odor 2b	4	2	1	1
T.Shaw 3b	4	0	0	0	Andrus ss	2	1	1	3
Brantz lf	4	0	1	0	Mreland 1b	4	0	1	3
Vazquez c	2	0	0	0	Chrinos c	4	0	0	0
Totals	**32**	**3**	**7**	**3**	**Totals**	**35**	**10**	**11**	**9**

Boston	010	011	000	–3
Texas	000	350	20x	–10

E—Bogaerts (6). Han.Ramirez (3). DP—Boston 1. Texas 2. LOB—Boston 6, Texas 8. 2B—Han.Ramirez (13), Bradley Jr. (18). 3B—Andrus (4). HR—Han.Ramirez (8), Desmond (13), SB—Choo (3), Odor (7). CS—Choo (1). SF—Odor (3).

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Wright L,8-6	4.2-3	7	8	3	2	4
Ross Jr.	1.2-3	3	2	2	1	3
Cuevas	1.2-3	1	0	0	3	2
Texas						
Griffin	4.1-3	4	2	2	1	6
Jackson	1	2	1	1	2	0
Ramos W,2-3	2.2-3	1	0	0	1	3
Tolleson	1	0	0	0	0	0

WP—Ross Jr. PB—Vazquez.
T—3:30. A—47,559 (48,114).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

TWINS 7, YANKEES 1

Minnesota	001	004	101	–7	9	0
New York	000	000	010	–1	2	0

Duffey, Kintzler (9) and Centeno; Eovaldi, Cessa (7), Bleier (8), Yates (9) and McCann. W—Duffey 5-6. L—Eovaldi 6-5. HRs—Minnesota, Dozier (10), Centeno (2), Kepler (3), Plouffe (6), Santana (2), Nunez (10). New York, Teixeira (4).

INDIANS 9, TIGERS 3

Cleveland	000	260	010	–9	13	0
Detroit	001	101	000	–3	6	0

Tomlin, McAllister (9) and Gomes; Verlander, Rondon (5), J.Wilson (7), Greene (8), Pyle (9) and Saltalamacchia. W—Tomlin 9-1. L—Verlander 7-6. HRs—Cleveland, Uribe (7), Napoli (15), Chisenhall (3), Naquin (6). Detroit, Aviles (1), Martinez 2 (14).

WHITE SOX 5, BLUE JAYS 2

Toronto	000	020	000	–2	5	1
Chicago	002	020	01x	–5	8	0

Stroman, Biagini (6), Schultz (8) and R.Martin; Sale, Robertson (9) and Avila. W—Sale 13-2. L—Stroman 6-4. Sv—Robertson (20). HRs—Toronto, Tulowitzki (11), Lake (1). Chicago, Shuck (2), Anderson (3).

ORIOLES 12, RAYS 5

Tampa Bay	010	130	000	–5	12	0
Baltimore	411	020	04x	–12	17	0

Smyly, Garton (6), Webb (8) and Conger; T.Wilson, Bundy (6), Despaigne (9) and P.Pena. W—T.Wilson 4-5. L—Smyly 2-8. HRs—Tampa Bay, Jennings (6), Arias (1). Baltimore, Trumbo (22), Davis (18), Schoop (13).

ANGELS 7, ATHLETICS 6

Oakland	010	500	000	–6	9	0
Los Angeles	000	000	221	–7	13	0

Gray, J.Rodriguez (7), Axford (8), Rzepczynski (8), Hendriks (9) and Phegley; Santiago, Sales (7), Bedrosian (8), Street (9) and C.Perez. Bandy. W—Street 3-1. L—Hendriks 0-1. HRs—Oakland, Semien (14), Crisp (7). Los Angeles, Trout (16).

INTERLEAGUE

CARDINALS 11, MARINERS 6

St. Louis	100	041	212	–11	17	0
Seattle	111	003	000	–6	12	1

J.Garcia, Siegrist (6), Broxton (8), Bowman (9) and Pryor; Paxton, Roach (6), Rollins (6), Vincent (7), E.Diaz (8), Nuno (9) and Iannetta. W—Siegrist 5-2. L—Vincent 2-3. HRs—St. Louis, Holliday (14), Carpenter 2 (13), Pham 2 (2), Gyorko (7). Seattle, Cruz (19), Gutierrez (9).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

REDS 3, PADRES 0

San Diego	000	000	000	–0	5	0
Cincinnati	010	101	00x	–3	9	0

Perdomo, Hand (7), Maurer (8) and D.Norris; DeSclafani, Cingrani (9) and Barnhart. W—DeSclafani 2-0. L—Perdomo 2-3. Sv—Cingrani (9). HRs—Cincinnati, Bruce (17).

BRAVES 5, METS 2

New York	000	000	002	–2	7	1
Atlanta	100	000	04x	–5	10	1

Colon, Bastardo (8), Verrett (8) and Rivera; B.Norris, J.Johnson (8), Orgando (9), Vizcaino (9) and Pierzynski. W—B.Norris 3-7. L—Colon 6-4. Sv—Vizcaino (10). HRs—Atlanta, Garcia (5), Freeman (13).

MARLINS 6, CUBS 1

Chicago	001	000	000	–1	5	1
Miami	010	001	13x	–6	9	0

Hammel, Wood (7), Grimm (7), Patton (8), Concepcion (8) and Montero; Fernandez, Phelps (8), Ellington (9) and Mathis. W—Fernandez 10-3. L—Hammel 7-4.

NATIONALS 3, BREWERS 2

Washington	000	000	120	–3	4	0
Milwaukee	000	000	011	–2	11	1

Roark, O.Perez (8), Treinen (8), Kelley (8) and Lobaton; Nelson, J.Barnes (6), Blazek (8), Boyer (9) and Lucroy. W—Roark 7-5. L—J.Barnes 0-1. Sv—Kelley (3). HRs—Washington, Robinson (3). Lobaton (1). Milwaukee, Maldonado (2).

GIANTS 8, PHILLIES 7

Philadelphia	100	220	110	–7	12	1
San Francisco	104	001	101	–8	10	0

Nola, Hernandez, J.Barnes (6), D.Hernandez (7), S.Gonzalez (8) and Ruiz. Cuetto, Law (7), Osich (8), Gearrin (9) and Posey. W—Gearrin 3-0. L—S.Gonzalez 0-1. HRs—Philadelphia, Herrera (8).

ROCKIES 9, DIAMONDBACKS 7

Arizona	210	202	000	–7	15	1
Colorado	001	140	103	–9	11	0

Corbin, Delgado (5), Barnett (7), Chafin (8), Bracho (8) and Herrmann; Bettis, Flande (6), Lyles (7), Logan (8), Estevez (9) and Hundley. W—Estevez 2-5. L—Bracho 0-1. HRs—Colorado, Gonzalez (16), Blackmon (12), Reynolds (8), Story (19).

PIRATES 4, DODGERS 3

Los Angeles	002	010	000	–3	4	0
Pittsburgh	000	000	00x	–4	9	0

Kershaw, Fien (7) and Grandal; Kuhl, Nicasio (6), Schugel (7), Melancon (9) and Stewart. W—Kuhl 1-0. L—Kershaw 11-2. Sv—Melancon (22). HRs—Los Angeles, Turner (11).

Tony Stewart wins at Sonoma to snap 84-race drought

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

SONOMA, Calif. — For at least one weekend, Smoke was back.

Tony Stewart returned to victory lane for the first time in three years in vintage fashion — refusing to let Denny Hamlin steal a win at Sonoma Raceway away from him on the final lap Sunday.

Now he's probably got a shot to run for a fourth NASCAR championship in his final season before retirement.

Stewart, mired in an 84-race losing streak dating to 2013, finally won to stop a slide of poor performances, injuries and personal turmoil that has tarnished the end of his career. He missed the first eight races of this season, his last as a NASCAR driver, with a back injury suffered in an off-road vehicle accident one week before the season opened.

It meant Stewart would have to win a race and crack the top 30 in points to have one last shot at glory before he stepped out of the No. 14 Chevrolet for good. It was a long shot considered the way he has run the last three years, but those who know Stewart knew not to count him out.

And anyone who has followed his career now that's Stewart is best when he's in a bad mood, and Smoke was ornery all weekend in the picturesque wine country.

He complained about young drivers, snarked that NASCAR will be without any tough guys once he retires and grumbled he has no fun driving a Cup car anymore.

Well, he sure had fun on Sunday.

The 45-year-old took the lead on fuel strategy during a caution with 24 laps to go, and had to hold on after another yellow flag stalled the race. The final restart came with 14 laps remaining — the same number as Stewart's car — and he held off a trio of Toyota drivers for his third career victory at Sonoma.

Hamlin made it interesting by pouncing on a Stewart mistake to snatch the lead away from Stewart in the seventh turn of the final lap. Stewart grabbed it back in tricky Turn 11, where he dove to the inside of Hamlin and as the two raced side-by-side, Stewart pushed Hamlin toward the wall.

Stewart got past Hamlin and charged to the checkered flag with the entire side of his car crumpled and his tires slightly smoking from the contact with Hamlin.

"I made mistakes the last two laps. I had just a little bit too much rear brake for Turn 7, and wheel-hopped it two laps in a row," Stewart said. "I felt a nudge when I got down there and he knew where it was and he did the right thing doing it there, but if I could get to him, he knew what was coming."

Gene Haas, co-owner of the team with Stewart, noted that few thought Stewart wasn't going to catch Hamlin in Turn 11.

"Everyone knew he wasn't going to use his brakes there," Haas said.

Dozens of drivers then pumped their fists out their window to salute Stewart on his victory lap while his father, Nelson, wiped away tears. Crew members lined the wall to slap his hand, and teammates Kevin Harvick and Kurt Busch were among the drivers to rush to speak to Stewart while he was still inside his car.

So did Hamlin, a former teammate of Stewart's who has become somewhat of a protector to his one-time mentor. As leader of the Driver Council, Hamlin got the council to split the cost of a $35,000 fine Stewart received this year for criticizing NASCAR.

"He told me he was proud of me, he knows what it means," an exhausted and emotional Stewart said in victory lane. After chugging a Coca-Cola, he slumped to the ground and sat alongside his car.

"We were teammates for a long time and we respect each other a lot."

Hamlin, meanwhile, didn't indicate he gave the win to Stewart but chalked it up to his own mistake to allow Stewart to snatch the lead away from him.

"Looking in the rearview more than looking out front," Hamlin said. "I just slid up a little bit in the middle and allowed him to get inside me. I knew he was going to put me in the wall. All is fair in love and war."

Hamlin finished second in a Toyota and was followed by Joey Logano in a Ford, pole-sitter Carl Edwards and Martin Truex Jr. as Toyota drivers took three of the top-five spots.

Harvick was sixth, Kyle Busch seventh, while Ryan Newman, Kasey Kahne and Kurt Busch rounded out the top 10.

Other Notes of Interest from Sunday's race:

ALL HAIL SMOKE: The reception for Stewart by his peers was similar to the reaction the late Dale Earnhardt received when Earnhardt finally won the Daytona 500. As drivers decompressed after their own day, many offered words about Stewart's win.

"To have three cars in the Chase, to have Tony's confidence up, to have him battle Denny Hamlin like that this is the best way for a champion like him to go out," teammate Kurt Busch said. "He deserves this now."

Added six-time champion Jimmie Johnson: "Just stoked for him. He is a great friend and has been through so much. I hope there is a big smile on his face right now."

ALLMENDINGER ERROR: AJ Allmendinger was a contender, as usual, on the road course until a mistake by his pit crew cost him a shot to race for the win.

Allmendinger exited pit road after his final stop and lined up sixth, but NASCAR penalized his team for losing control of a tire during the stop. It dropped him deep into the field but he powered back to a 14th-place finish.

"It's racing, you know you are not guaranteed anything until the checkered flag," Allmendinger said. "It is part of life we win and lose as a team. We have to get our stuff straight if we actually want to be a Chase team and consider ourselves a Chase team. Another fast race car that is all I can ask for."

NASCAR RESULTS

NASCAR Sprint Cup
Toyota/Save Mart 350 Results
Sunday
At Sonoma Raceway
Sonoma, Calif.
Lap length: 1.99 miles
(Starting position in parentheses)

1. (10) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 110
2. (6) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 110
3. (7) Joey Logano, Ford, 110
4. (1) Carl Edwards, Toyota, 110.
5. (3) Martin Truex Jr, Toyota, 110
6. (25) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 110.
7. (8) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 110.
8. (17) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 110
9. (19) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 110.
10. (4) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 110.
11. (13) Dale Earnhardt Jr, Chevrolet, 110
12. (5) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 110.
13. (15) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 110.
14. (2) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 110.
15. (12) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 110.
16. (9) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 110.
17. (21) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 110.
18. (32) Greg Biffle, Ford, 110.
19. (11) Dennica Patrick, Chevrolet, 110.
20. (23) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 110.
21. (16) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 110.
22. (24) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 110.
23. (26) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 110.
24. (14) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 110.
25. (28) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 110.
26. (27) Ricky Stenhouse Jr, Ford, 110.
27. (29) Aric Almirola, Ford, 110.
28. (31) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 110.
29. (37) Landon Cassill, Ford, 110.
30. (36) Chris Buescher, Ford, 110
31. (33) Matt DiBenedetto, Toyota, 110.
32. (30) David Ragan, Toyota, 110.
33. (22) Brian Scott, Ford, 110.
34. (35) Cole Whitt, Toyota, 110.
35. (38) Dylan Lupton(i), Toyota, 110.
36. (40) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 109
37. (34) Patrick Carpentier, Ford, 108.
38. (39) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, Engine, 97.
39. (20) Michael McDowell, Chevrolet, Rear Gear, 91.
40. (18) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, Electrical, 5.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 80.966 mph.
Time of Race: 02 Hrs, 42 Mins, 13 Secs.
Margin of Victory: 0.625 Seconds.
Caution Flags: 4 for 10 laps.
Lead Changes: 12 among 8 drivers.
Lap Leaders: C. Edwards 1-8; A. Allmendinger 9-24; P. Menard 25-27; K. Harvick 28-30; C. Edwards 31-46; A. Allmendinger 47; Kyle Busch 48-49; D. Hamlin 50-70; A. Allmendinger 71-72; D. Patricia 73-75; D. Hamlin 76-87; A. Allmendinger 88; T. Stewart 89-110.

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Lead, Laps Led): D. Hamlin 2 times for 33 laps; C. Edwards 2 times for 24 laps; T. Stewart 1 time for 22 laps; A. Allmendinger 4 times for 20 laps; D. Patrick 1 time for 3 laps; P. Menard 1 time for 3 laps; K. Harvick 1 time for 3 laps; Kyle Busch 1 time for 2 laps.

Top 16 in Points: K. Harvick, 5F2; Kurt Busch, 527; C. Edwards, 510; B. Keselowski, 508; J. Logano, 493; C. Elliott, 473; J. Johnson, 469; M. Truex Jr. 469; Kyle Busch, 452; M. Kenseth, 430; D. Hamlin, 421; D. Earnhardt Jr, 413; R. Newman, 402; A. Dillon, 400; J. Mcmurray, 398; K. Kahne, 385.

Naval Academy grad Hurley wins Quicken Loans National

By Stephen Whyno
Associated Press

BETHESDA, Md. — Billy Hurley III held the club in his left hand and fist pumped with his right. Not far from his Annapolis home and the Naval Academy he graduated from 12 years ago, he became a champion.

Hurley shot a 2-under 69 on Sunday to win his hometown Quicken Loans National at Congressional for his first PGA Tour victory. He finished at 17 under in Tiger Woods' annual tournament, three strokes ahead of three-time major champion Vijay Singh.

"Billy played well," Singh said. "He's been playing well all week. You can see he's under control and it's nice to see him play well and not lose it actually at the end of the tournament."

Hurley didn't lose it. He only got better as it went along.

To beat Singh, Ernie Els and 21-year-old Jon Rahm, Hurley showed the poise he developed at the Naval Academy and during his five years of service. Mental toughness and focus he said help with adversity on the course, and that showed through in his 104th PGA Tour start.

With the 53-year-old Singh closing on him, Hurley was at his best. He holed out from 35 yards on the fairway for birdie on the 15th, a shot worthy of celebration and one Woods himself called "impressive, really impressive."

As if that wasn't enough, Hurley made a 27-foot putt on the 16th to seal the tournament and wrap up the $1,242,000 first-place prize and a spot in the British Open. He had never finished higher than a tie for fourth in a PGA Tour event.

Hurley celebrated on the 18th green with wife Heather, daughter Madison and sons Will and Jacob. His children held miniature American flags as they watched their father reach a high point in his career.

"I couldn't think of a better tournament for my first PGA Tour win," Hurley said. "I'm just thrilled to have gotten it done today."

Singh closed with a 65. Rahm, the former Arizona State star from Spain, wrapped up his professional debut with a 70 to tie for third with Bill Haas (68) at 13 under. Els was fifth at 12 under after an eventful 72 that included five bogeys and one double.

Hurley also had his father on his mind, 10 months after he died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. He thought of his dad, a police officer, when he saw officers following his group Saturday.

"It's been a hard year," Hurley said Sunday. "It's been a really hard year, so it's nice to have something go well."

Hurley maintained his focus in the final round with Woods watching in his trademark Sunday red and with galleries full of fans supporting the local boy who grew up in Leesburg, Virginia, and proudly sports Navy colors including a club head cover of the academy's goat mascot.

All week, Hurley heard chants of "Maryland" and "21412," the zip code for the Naval Academy. The honorary starters on the first hole Sunday were Naval officers Georges Labaki and Matthew Cook, who both had met and talked to Hurley about golf and service.

"He served, for one," Labaki said. "He did his time and he's also representing the Navy. I've had a talk with him, personally, also, a few years ago. He said it's been an honor to serve, but he wanted to follow his passion, golf."

PRO GOLF SCORES

Quicken Loans National Scores
Sunday
At Congressional Country Club (Blue Course)
Bethesda, Md.
Purse: $6.9 million
Yardage: 7,569; Par: 71
Final

Billy Hurley III (500), $1,242,000 — 69–267
Vijay Singh (300), $745,200 — 65–270
Bill Haas (183), $400,200 — 68–271
Jon Rahm, $400,200 — 70–271
Ernie Els (110), $276,000 — 72–272
Webb Simpson (100), $248,400 — 71–274
Harold Varner III (90), $231,150 — 70–275
Robert Garrigus (83), $207,000 — 70–276
Francesco Molinari (83), $207,000 — 65–276
Smylie Kaufman (73), $179,400 — 67–277
Rob Oppenheim (73), $179,400 — 68–277
Andres Gonzales (57), $127,157 — 68–278
Chris Kirk (57), $127,157 — 68–278
Aaron Baddeley (57), $127,157 — 71–278
David Hearn (57), $127,157 — 69–278
Kevin Streelman (57), $127,157 — 70–278
Nick Taylor (57), $127,157 — 70–278
Justin Thomas (57), $127,157 — 70–278
Derek Fathauer (52), $93,150 — 67–279
John Huh (52), $93,150 — 65–279
Jim Furyk (47), $64,774 — 68–280
Mark Hubbard (47), $64,774 — 71–280
Martin Laird (47), $64,774 — 68–280
Sam Saunders (47), $64,774 — 71–280
Robert Streb (47), $64,774 — 70–280
Daniel Summerhays (47), $64,774 — 71–280
Hudson Swafford (47), $64,774 — 70–280
Gary Woodland (47), $64,774 — 73–280
Blayne Barber (38), $40,227 — 68–281
Wesley Bryan, $40,227 — 74–281
Chad Collins (38), $40,227 — 70–281
Erik Compton (38), $40,227 — 75–281
Lucas Glover (38), $40,227 — 69–281
Brian Harman (38), $40,227 — 69–281
Michael Kim (38), $40,227 — 71–281
Jason Kokrak (38), $40,227 — 71–281
Wes Roach (38), $40,227 — 74–281
John Senden (38), $40,227 — 70–281
Fabian Gomez (30), $28,290 — 69–282
Jim Herman (30), $28,290 — 71–282
Marc Leishman (30), $28,290 — 72–282
Patrick Reed (30), $28,290 — 74–282
Brendan Steele (30), $28,290 — 71–282
Ben Martin (21), $18,460 — 70–283
Rod Pampling (21), $18,460 — 70–283
Kyle Stanley (21), $18,460 — 71–283
Chris Stroud (21), $18,460 — 71–283
Jhonattan Vegas (21), $18,460 — 69–283
Byeong Hun An, $18,460 — 74–283
Kevin Chappell (21), $18,460 — 75–283
Rickie Fowler (21), $18,460 — 74–283
Sean O'Hair (21), $18,460 — 72–283
Chez Reavie (21), $18,460 — 71–283
Kyle Reifers (21), $18,460 — 72–283
Patrick Rodgers (21), $18,460 — 72–283
Shawn Stefani (21), $18,460 — 72–283
Keegan Bradley (12), $15,318 — 74–284
Charley Hoffman (12), $15,318 — 73–284
Patton Kizzire (12), $15,318 — 72–284
Steve Marino (12), $15,318 — 72–284
Tyrone Van Aswegen (12), $15,318 — 74–284
Roberto Castro (9), $14,835 — 70–285
Jamie Lovemark (9), $14,835 — 68–285
Arjun Atwal (4), $14,214 — 73–286
Bryson DeChambeau, $14,214 — 74–286
Chesson Hadley (4), $14,214 — 75–286
James Hahn (4), $14,214 — 73–286
Wil MacKenzie (4), $14,214 — 72–286
Dawie van der Walt (4), $14,214 — 73–286
Camilo Villegas (4), $14,214 — 71–286
Anirban Lahiri (1), $13,662 — 70–287
Jon Curran (1), $13,455 — 69–288
Luke Guthrie (1), $13,455 — 72–288
Tony Finau (1), $13,248 — 77–289
Zac Blair (1), $12,972 — 75–290
Tom Hoge (1), $12,972 — 73–290
Charles Howell III (1), $12,972 — 75–290
Scott Langley (1), $12,696 — 78–296

BMW International Open Leading Scores
Sunday
At Golf Club Gut Laerchenhof
Pulheim, Germany
Purse: $2.27 million
Yardage: 7,239; Par: 72
Final

Henrik Stenson, Sweden — 71–271
Darren Fichardt, South Africa — 69–274
Thorbjorn Olesen, Denmark — 73–274
Raphael Jacquelin, France — 72–277
Sergio Garcia, Spain — 69–278
Kiradech Aphibarnrat, Thailand — 71–278
David Horsey, England — 70–279
Bernd Wiesberger, Austria — 71–279
Robert Dinwiddie, England — 69–280
Graeme Storm, England — 70–280
Mike Lorenzo-Vera, France — 75–280
Pablo Larrazabal, Spain — 71–280
Lee Slattery, England — 68–281
Paul Dunne, Ireland — 71–281
Matteo Manassero, Italy — 68–281
Mikko Korhonen, Finland — 65–282
Fabrizio Zanotti, Paraguay — 67–282
Bernd Ritthammer, Germany — 72–282
Joost Luiten, Netherlands — 72–282
Felipe Aguilar, Chile — 71–282

Ateo

Marcus Fraser, Australia — 72–283
Andy Sullivan, England — 73–283
David Lipsky, United States — 67–284
Bradley Dredge, Wales — 71–284
Ross Fisher, England — 73–284
Jason Knutzon, United States — 71–286
Thongchai Jaidee, Thailand — 73–286
Jaco van Zyl, South Africa — 74–286

American Family Insurance Championship Scores
Sunday
At University Ridge Golf Club
Madison, Wis.
Purse: $2 million
Yardage: 7,056; Par: 72
Final

Kirk Triplett, $300,000 — 65–199
Bart Bryant, $160,000 — 69–201
Mike Goodes, $160,000 — 68–201
Billy Andrade, $91,500 — 68–202
Fran Quinn, $91,500 — 67–202
Jean-Francois Remesy, $91,500 — 71–202
Gene Sauers, $91,500 — 70–202
Jeff Maggert, $57,333 — 66–203
Fred Funk, $57,333 — 68–203
Duffy Waldorf, $57,333 — 68–203
Tom Pernice Jr, $46,000 — 68–204
Wes Short, Jr, $46,000 — 68–204
Bernhard Langer, $39,000 — 69–205
Scott McCarron, $39,000 — 66–205
Tom Byrum, $31,033 — 70–206
Brandt Jobe, $31,033 — 73–206
Joe Durant, $31,033 — 70–206
Doug Garwood, $31,033 — 70–206
Jerry Smith, $31,033 — 69–206
Kevin Sutherland, $31,033 — 72–206
Mark Brooks, $20,675 — 70–207
Jay Haas, $20,675 — 70–207
Tom Lehman, $20,675 — 66–207
Miguel Angel Martin, $20,675 — 69–207
Kenny Perry, $20,675 — 71–207
Loren Roberts, $20,675 — 69–207
Rod Spittle, $20,675 — 66–207
Scott Verplank, $20,675 — 67–207
Todd Hamilton, $14,486 — 69–208
Skip Kendall, $14,486 — 70–208
Steve Pate, $14,486 — 68–208
Mark Calcavecchia, $14,486 — 71–208
Scott Hoch, $14,486 — 73–208
John Innan, $14,486 — 70–208
Jeff Sluman, $14,486 — 72–208
Woody Austin, $10,425 — 69–209
Olin Browne, $10,425 — 67–209
John Daly, $10,425 — 66–209
Clark Dennis, $10,425 — 67–209
Paul Goydos, $10,425 — 67–209
Jeff Hart, $10,425 — 66–209
Scott Parel, $10,425 — 67–209
John Riegger, $10,425 — 71–209
Jay Don Blake, $8,200 — 69–210
Jim Rutledge, $8,200 — 69–210
Esteban Toledo, $8,200 — 66–210
Tommy Armour III, $6,600 — 71–211
Marco Dawson, $6,600 — 70–211
Scott Dunlap, $6,600 — 69–211
Brian Henninger, $6,600 — 69–211
Peter Senior, $6,600 — 70–211
Brad Bryant, $4,840 — 70–212
Jim Carter, $4,840 — 72–212
John Cook, $4,840 — 69–212
Gibby Gilbert III, $4,840 — 69–212
Craig Parry, $4,840 — 75–212
David Frost, $3,700 — 71–213
Mike Grob, $3,700 — 73–213
Gary Hallberg, $3,700 — 72–213
John Huston, $3,700 — 76–213
Joey Sindelar, $3,700 — 71–213
Grant Waite, $3,700 — 70–213
Stephen Ames, $2,900 — 69–214
Carlos Franco, $2,900 — 74–214
Bob Gilder, $2,600 — 67–215
Rocco Mediate, $2,200 — 68–216
Mark Mielke, $2,200 — 74–216
Jim Schuman, $2,200 — 72–216
Mike Springer, $1,880 — 72–217
Jose Coceres, $1,580 — 73–218
Wayne Levi, $1,580 — 73–218
Bobby Wadkins, $1,580 — 75–218
Mark Wiebe, $1,580 — 71–219
Lee Janzen, $1,200 — 74–219
Larry Mize, $1,200 — 68–219
Willie Wood, $1,200 — 72–219
Stan Utley, $1,000 — 75–221
Dan Forsman, $920 — 71–223
Ken Green, $860 — 74–224
Tom Purtzer, $820

LPGA-Walmart Northwest Arkansas Scores
Sunday
At Pinnacle Country Club
Rogers, Ark.
Purse: $2 million
Yardage-6,330; Par:71
Final

Lydia Ko, $300,000 — 66–196
Candie Kung, $157,838 — 69–199
Morgan Pressel, $157,838 — 71–199
Angela Stanford, $77,379 — 65–200
Moriya Jutanugarn, $77,379 — 68–200
Sandra Gal, $77,379 — 69–200
Jing Yan, $77,379 — 70–200
Sydnee Michaels, $41,469 — 64–201
Minjee Lee, $41,469 — 67–201
Sun Young Yoo, $41,469 — 68–201
Giulia Molinaro, $41,469 — 70–201
Alena Sharp, $41,469 — 71–201
Brittany Lincicome, $29,248 — 66–202
Chella Choi, $29,248 — 68–202
Brittany Altomare, $29,248 — 68–202
Lee-Anne Pace, $29,248 — 68–202
So Yeon Ryu, $29,248 — 69–202
Brittany Lang, $24,341 — 67–203
Carlota Ciganda, $24,341 — 70–203
Alison Lee, $21,436 — 66–204
Gerina Piller, $21,436 — 67–204
Xi Yu Lin, $21,436 — 69–204
Nontaya Srisawang, $21,436 — 70–204
Haeji Kang, $21,436 — 73–204
Mo Martin, $17,071 — 66–205
Min Lee, $17,071 — 68–205
Megan Khang, $17,071 — 68–205
Stacy Lewis, $17,071 — 68–205
Vicky Hurst, $17,071 — 68–205
Ayako Uehara, $17,071 — 69–205
Danielle Kang, $17,071 — 70–205
Becky Morgan, $11,678 — 68–206
Juli Inkster, $11,678 — 69–206
Demi Runas, $11,678 — 69–206
Paula Reto, $11,678 — 69–206
Sarah Jane Smith, $11,678 — 69–206
Su Oh, $11,678 — 69–206
Jodi Ewart Shadoff, $11,678 — 70–206
Eun-Hee Ji, $11,678 — 70–206
Pornanong Phatlum, $11,678 — 70–206
Jennifer Song, $11,678 — 71–206
Lindy Duncan, $11,678 — 72–206
Kelly Tan, $11,678 — 73–206
Mi Jung Hur, $8,063 — 68–207
Hyo Joo Kim, $8,063 — 69–207
Karrie Ichter, $8,063 — 69–207
Dori Carter, $8,063 — 69–207
Ariya Jutanugarn, $8,063 — 70–207
Jane Park, $8,063 — 71–207
Maude-Aimee Leblanc, $6,110 — 69–208
In Gee Chun, $6,110 — 69–208
In-Kyung Kim, $6,110 — 70–208
Min Seo Kwak, $6,110 — 70–208
Beatriz Recari, $6,110 — 70–208
Jenny Shin, $6,110 — 70–208
Austin Ernst, $6,110 — 71–208
Haru Nomura, $6,110 — 71–208
Joanna Klatten, $6,110 — 71–208
Amy Yang, $6,110 — 72–208
Sandra Changkija, $4,558 — 70–209
Kris Tamulis, $4,558 — 70–209
Stephanie I. Meadow, $4,558 — 70–209
Gaby Lopez, $4,558 — 70–209
Cristie Kerr, $4,558 — 70–209
Caroline Hedwall, $4,558 — 72–209
Meena Lee, $4,558 — 72–209
Pannarat Thanapolboonyaras, $4,558 — 73–209
Ai Miyazato, $4,558 — 73–209
Marina Alex, $4,558 — 74–209
Ji Young Oh, $3,957 — 71–210
Felicity Johnson, $3,957 — 72–210
Mi Hyang Lee, $3,957 — 73–210
Shanna Do, $3,784 — 72–211
Jessica Korda, $3,784 — 72–211
Mina Harigae, $3,784 — 73–211
Sadena A Parks, $3,784 — 74–211
Julieta Granada, $3,686 — 77–213

Power holds off Kanaan to win IndyCar race at Road America

By Genaro C. Armas
Associated Press

ELKHART LAKE, Wis. — Healthy again following an early-season illness, Will Power is feeling much better about his chances of contending for another IndyCar championship.

After starting from the pole, Power led all but four laps and held off Tony Kanaan's last-lap surge to take the 202-mile Kohler Grand Prix by 0.74 seconds on Sunday at Road America.

It was Power's second series victory of the year for Team Penske, both coming in June. Power also won on June 5 at Detroit, ending a frustrating three-race stretch in which he didn't finish higher than 10th.

The slump was uncharacteristic for the 2014 series champion and annual contender.

"I got my normal engine back, and perform like I normally do, and that's the difference," said Power, referring to his health.

Power said he was dealing with food allergies in the offseason. He missed the season opener in March at St. Petersburg after being diagnosed with an inner ear infection.

"Finally back to my normal fitness level, just the way I do things," Power said.

He had the stamina to hold off Kanaan at the end by 0.7429 seconds as Chevrolet finished 1-2 and took three of the top five spots.

Kanaan shaved about a half-second off the gap with Power after the white flag flew. But he couldn't catch up as the cars winded their way toward the end of the final lap on the 14-turn track.

Those extra "push-to-pass" fuel boosts that Power had saved came in handy late in the race. It made for an exciting finish in IndyCar's first race at the rural Wisconsin road course since 2007.

"This is the type of places we want to race. If you ask any driver about this road course, it's one of their favorites by far, and the fans, too," Kanaan said.

Track officials said the race weekend broke an attendance record but they did not yet have a specific number.

"We can't wait to come back next year and do it again," IndyCar president Jay Frye said.

WHO'S HOT: Power won with a speed of 121.426 mph and cruised from the front for much of the afternoon, leading 46 of the 50 laps. Kanaan said Power benefited from a fast start from the pole.

Power has a fast car, "but I don't think he was like anywhere stronger," Kanaan said. "We closed the gap any time we needed to, but he just had that little advantage every time because he was in the lead."

WHO'S NOT: With Power in front, the race reset with six laps to go following the only caution flag of the afternoon, stunting the momentum of points leader Simon Pagenaud, who was then in second place.

But Pagenaud, whose car seemed to improve through the middle of the race, fell back in a surprise at the restart He finished in 13th place.

NOTABLES: Kanaan surged forward for his best finish of the season. Graham Rahal was third, 5.9 seconds behind Power. Ryan Hunter-Reay was fourth. Scott Dixon, who was second in the points race coming into the afternoon, had engine trouble early and dropped out after six laps when his No. 9 car lost power.

INDYCAR RESULTS

IndyCar Kohler Grand Prix Results
Sunday
At Road America
Elkhart Lake, Wis.
Lap length: 4.014 miles
(Starting position in parentheses)

1. (1) Will Power, Chevrolet, 50 laps.
2. (3) Tony Kanaan, Chevrolet, 50.
3. (6) Graham Rahal, Honda, 50.
4. (8) Ryan Hunter-Reay, Honda, 50.
5. (5) Helio Castroneves, Chevrolet, 50.
6. (11) Charlie Kimball, Chevrolet, 50.
7. (14) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, 50.
8. (20) Josef Newgarden, Chevrolet, 50.
9. (17) Spencer Pigot, Chevrolet, 50.
10. (10) Carlos Munoz, Honda, 50.
11. (18) Jack Hawksworth, Honda, 50.
12. (21) Marco Andretti, Honda, 50.
13. (4) Simon Pagenaud, Chevrolet, 50.
14. (22) James Hinchcliffe, Honda, 50.
15. (16) Alexander Rossi, Honda, 50.
16. (13) Mikhail Aleshin, Honda, 50.
17. (15) Takuma Sato, Honda, 50.
18. (12) Sebastien Bourdais, Chevrolet, 49.
19. (19) Gabby Chaves, Honda, 49.
20. (7) Max Chilton, Chevrolet, 48.
21. (9) Conor Daly, Honda, 39, contact.
22. (2) Scott Dixon, Chevrolet, 6, mechanical.

Race Statistics

Winner's average speed: 121.426 mph.
Time of Race: 1 hour, 39 minutes, 10.3044 seconds.
Margin of victory: 0.7429-seconds.
Cautions: 1 for 4 laps.
Lead changes: 4 among 3 drivers.
Lap Leaders: Power 1-11, Rahal 12-13, Power 14-37, Pagenaud 38-39, Power 40-50.

IndyCar standings: Pagenaud 375, Castroneves 301, Power 294, Dixon 285, Newgarden 283, Kanaan 280, Munoz 262, Rahal 261, Montoya 259, Rossi 257.

WILLIAMS

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for a fourth Wimbledon trophy by taking on British wildcard James Ward in a first meeting between the two.

As tradition dictates, Djokovic, as the men's defending champion, will open the Centre Court competition.

"It's going to be the first match on the untouched grass," Djokovic said. "That's probably one of the most special tennis matches that you get to experience as a professional tennis player."

Djokovic understands the emotions behind simultaneously holding all four Grand Slam titles, which he achieved upon winning his first career French Open title earlier this month.

Last year, Williams had a chance to win a calendar Grand Slam, but came up short at the US Open.

This year, Djokovic remains in contention to be the first man since Rod Laver in 1969 to achieve a calendar Grand Slam having already won the Australian and French Opens.

Williams, for one, says Djokovic could be the player to get the deed done.

"He has every opportunity to do it," she said. "I think he'll get it easy. So he should be fine."

That said, Williams is most interested in matches finally getting underway at this year's edition of the tournament.

"I'm definitely ready to start playing at this point," Williams said.

"I'm kind of over practicing every day for two hours, then going to the gym for some time."

Chile wins 2nd straight Copa America title as Messi misses

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Lionel Messi still awaits his first title with Argentina's national team.

Messi put his penalty kick over the crossbar, Francisco Silva converted Chile's shootout finale and La Roja won their second straight Copa America title by beating Argentina 4-2 on penalty kicks following a 0-0 tie Sunday night.

Playing two days after his 29th birthday, Messi lost a final for the third year in a row following an extra-time defeat to Germany in the 2014 World Cup and a penalty-kicks loss to host Chile in last year's Copa America. The five-time FIFA Player of the Year has won four Champions League titles and eight La Liga crowns with Barcelona, but has never taken a trophy with Argentina's senior team.

For its 100th anniversary, South America's championship was expanded to 16 nations and played in the United States, and Argentina was hoping to win its first major title since 1993.

In an ill-tempered match that included an ejection on each side and eight yellow cards, the match was scoreless through regulation and 30 minutes of extra time, with Argentina's Gonzalo Higuain missing a clear goal-scoring opportunity for the third straight final. Argentina outshot Chile 16-4 and La Roja collapsed three, four and even five defenders around the bearded Messi, then chopped down the diminutive attacker when he tried to accelerate toward the goal.

Messi, who scored five goals in the tournament, had a free kick 28 yards out in the 115th minute after Francisco Sllva fouled him, but the ball deflected off the wall and over the crossbar. Messi's 35-yard free kick was headed on target by Aguero in the 10th minute of extra time, and Chile goalkeeper Claudio Bravo jumped extended his right hand to tip the ball over the crossbar.

Argentina goalkeeper Sergio Romero saved the opening kick by Arturo Vidal, and up stepped Messi, the best player of his generation and considered alongside Brazil's Pele and Argentina's Diego Maradona as the sport's greatest ever. While he won the titles at the under-20 and Olympic (under-23) levels for Argentina, in the minds of many he needs a title with his nation's senior team to solidify his place as one of the greats.

Messi sent his shot over Bravo — his Barcelona teammate — and into the stands. Messi turned, bowed his head and clenched both fists in frustration.

AP Photo/Matt Rourke

Former Philadelphia Flyers player Eric Lindros looks out from the stands at Citizens Bank Park where preparations are underway for NHL's Winter Classic, in Philadelphia on Dec. 30, 2011. The weakest first-time eligible crop in decades has cranked the doors to the Hockey Hall of Fame wide open for several players who have been awaiting the call. Lindros has been waiting six years, Mark Recchi three, Dave Andreychuk eight and Sergei Makarov 16. This could finally be the year as the Hall of Fame selection committee determines the class of 2016 on Monday.

Lindros could get long-awaited Hall of Fame call

By Stephen Whyno
Associated Press

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Goaltender Miikka Kiprusoff, defenseman Roman Hamrlik and forwards Milan Hejduk and Vinny Prospal headline the first-year eligible players.

Lindros' case is the most polarizing because he was one of the most dominant players in the world while playing for the Philadelphia Flyers during the 1990s, but had his career cut short by injuries.

Lindros won the Hart Trophy as NHL MVP in 1995, led the Flyers to the 1997 Stanley Cup Final and averaged over a point a game in the regular season and playoffs.

Concussions and other injuries limited him to 760 regular-season games, so his 372 goals, 493 assists and 865 points don't jump off the page. But Lindros' mix of skill, production and physicality is unique in the history of the game.

It's complicated.

"That's a tough one because he should've been one of the greatest players of all time," former teammate Rod Brind'Amour said. "Injuries kind of, I think, slowed him down and kind of ended what should've been a Hall of Fame career. ... I understand the debate on that, for sure."

Every skater except Lindros who has been MVP since 1945 is in the Hall of Fame already. The 18-member committee values winning and longevity, but Pavel Bure and Cam Neely were inducted with fewer games played and fewer points and like Lindros neither got his name on the Stanley Cup.

Lindros rubbed the hockey establishment the wrong way when he first refused to sign with the junior team that drafted him and then refused to sign with the Quebec Nordiques when they selected him first overall in 1991.

In a blockbuster deal that included future Hall of Famer Peter Forsberg as part of the return, they traded him to Philadelphia. He endured tumultuous times off the ice, namely his icy relationship with Philadelphia general manager Bobby Clarke, who feuded with Lindros' parents and stripped him of the captaincy.

But Clarke is now on the selection committee and is a strong proponent of Lindros getting enshrined in Toronto.

Ron Hextall, who was also part of that trade and was the Flyers' goalie during the 1997 Cup Final run, argued Lindros would have won two championships like Forsberg if he were on that team that moved from Quebec to Colorado.

With Teemu Selanne and Daniel Alfredsson up for consideration in 2017 and more difficult years ahead, this is the best opportunity for Lindros to get his due. Another potential inductee in the builder category is the late Pat Quinn, who coached Lindros and Canada to the gold medal at the 2002 Olympics.

Here are the cases for several other potential members of the class of 2016:

MARK RECCHI: The productive winger won the Cup three times with three different teams (Penguins, Hurricanes and Bruins) and put up 577 goals and 956 assists for 1,533 points over 22 NHL seasons. Brind'Amour said of Recchi: "I don't know what more you need to do to be a Hall of Fame player."

SERGEI MAKAROV: His 384 NHL points and Calder Trophy season as rookie of the year must be combined with his dominant international career for the Soviet Union when Makarov averaged 1.37 points a game, won two Olympic gold medals and eight world championships.

DAVE ANDREYCHUK: The captain of the 2004 Cup champion Tampa Bay Lightning put up 1,338 points in 1,639 regular-season games over 23 seasons.

ALEXANDER MOGILNY: Second only to 2015 inductee Sergei Fedorov in NHL points among Russians with 1,032, Mogilny won the Cup and was a six-time All-Star in 16 seasons.

PAUL KARIYA: Like Lindros, concussions cut Kariya's career short, but he finished with 989 points in 989 games over 15 seasons and made the All-Star Game seven times.

JEREMY ROENICK: His 1,216 points rank him fourth among U.S. players and the top three — Brett Hull, Mike Modano and Phil Housley — are all in.

CURTIS JOSEPH: Not winning a Cup hurts a goaltender, but his 454 victories are the most of any not in the Hall.

ROD BRIND'AMOUR: Was captain of the 2006 Cup champion Carolina Hurricanes, had 1,184 points and won the Selke Trophy as the top defensive forward.

THEO FLEURY: Overcame his 5-foot-6 size disadvantage to put up 1,084 points and win almost everything the Stanley Cup, Canada Cup, Olympic gold medal and world junior gold medal.

CHRIS OSGOOD: Won the Cup twice as a starting goalie and again as a backup, but benefited from playing on talented Detroit Red Wings teams.

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so a good performance."

Geoff Cameron and John Brooks established themselves as the first-choice starting central defenders, and right back DeAndre Yedlin, midfielder Gyasi Zardes and forward Bobby Wood solidified positions as regular starters — with Wood moving ahead of perpetually injured Jozy Altidore.

Darlington Nagbe and 17-year-old Christian Pulisic were regulars off the bench and could be the next to break through as Klinsmann tries to lower his lineup's age heading toward the 2018 World Cup in Russia.

"We can take the positives out of this," Cameron said "We got out of the group and made it to the semifinals and lost to a good side. At the same time, we've got to keep it going. We've got qualifiers coming up and I think we can go in there with our chest out a little bit more and be confident and be eager to show our true ability."

Brad Guzan started in goal ahead of 37-year-old Tim Howard, the No. 1 choice at the last two World Cups. Ethan Horvath, just 21, replaced Nick Rimando as the No. 3 goalkeeper and moved himself to the top of the next generation's pecking order.

The Americans realize how much they need to improve to compete with the world's best.

"We look at some of these teams and they're a shining example of what a good team is. They're tough, they're hard to beat, they're resilient," Howard said.

The national team next plays on Sept. 2, when it can clinch a berth in the CONCACAF hexagonal by winning at St. Vincent and The Grenadines.

They host Trinidad and Tobago four days later at Jacksonville, Florida.

Klinsmann believes the tournament provided good lessons against top teams played in extremely competitive situations.

"They need to see that level and feel it and face these guys eye to eye and understand," he said.

Yedlin and Wood are 23, and Brooks turns 23 next month. They have broken through while others have stalled, such as Julian Green, Mix Diskerud, Aron Johannsson and Emerson Hyndman. Players such as Matt Miazga, Ventura Alvardo, Jordan Morris and Kellyn Acosta hope to be in the next wave to make the roster regularly.

"You see players who start to bloom. ... They're becoming stronger," Klinsmann said. "It's (also) fun to watch some older ones, like Clint (Dempsey) and Jermaine Jones, battling there and having a real impact on this team still."

The team spent six weeks on the road at 10 areas. Now the Europe-based players have a few weeks off, while Major League Soccer players return to their teams.

"It was a wonderful time, because they made it their tournament, they made it their thing," Klinsmann said.

"We want to empower the players. We want to empower them to take things in their own hands and make it happen. Getting in the final four of such a huge competition here is a wonderful achievement and they should be very, very proud of themselves. Every day was a learning day and there are many more to come."

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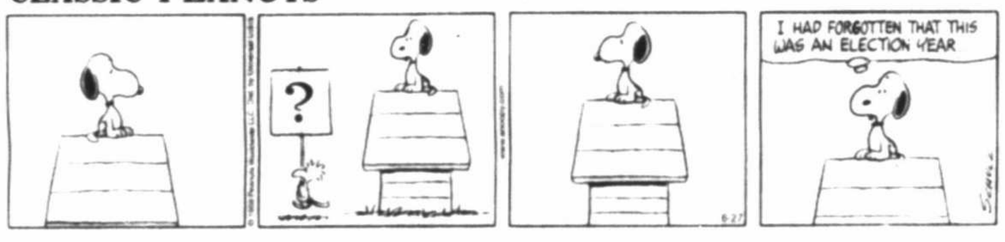

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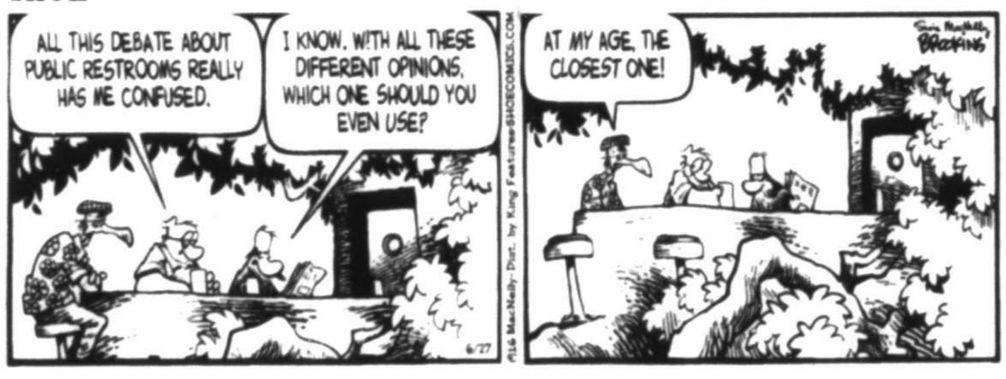

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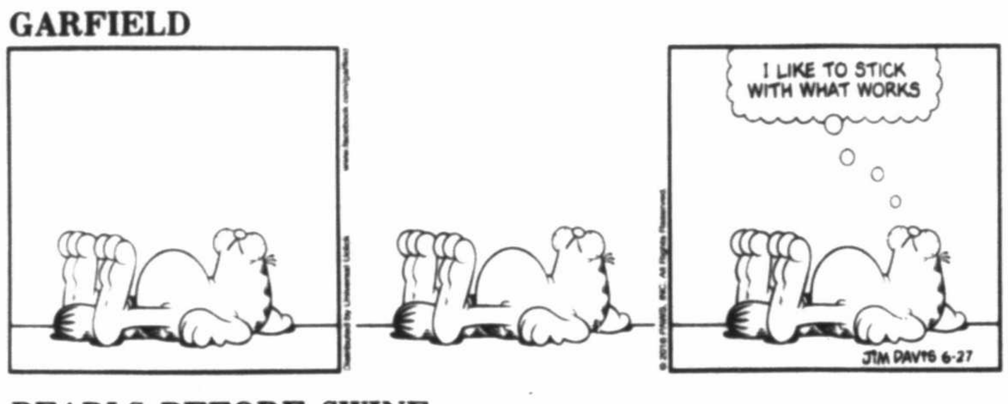

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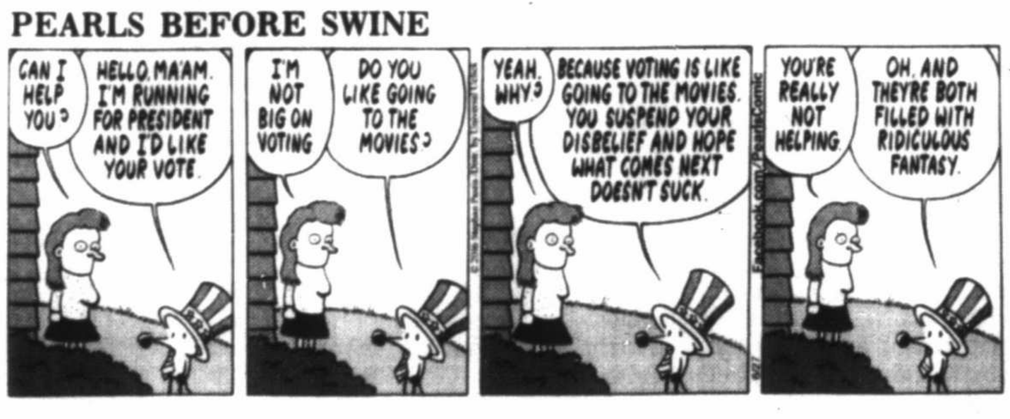

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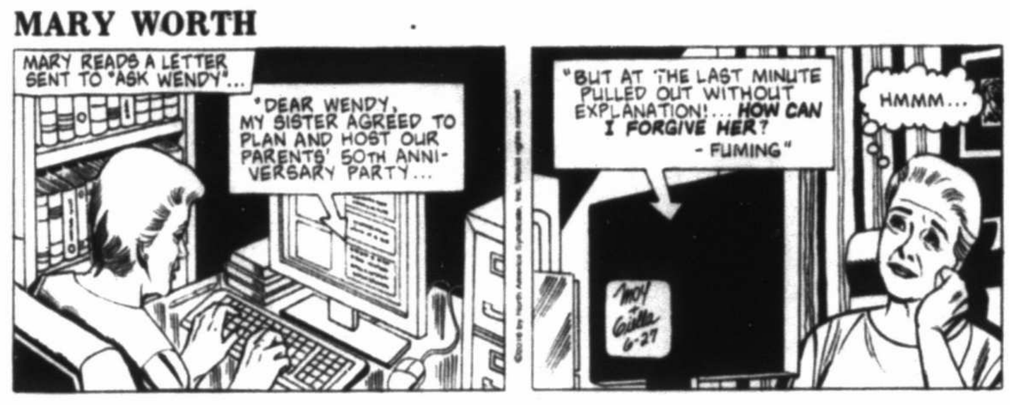

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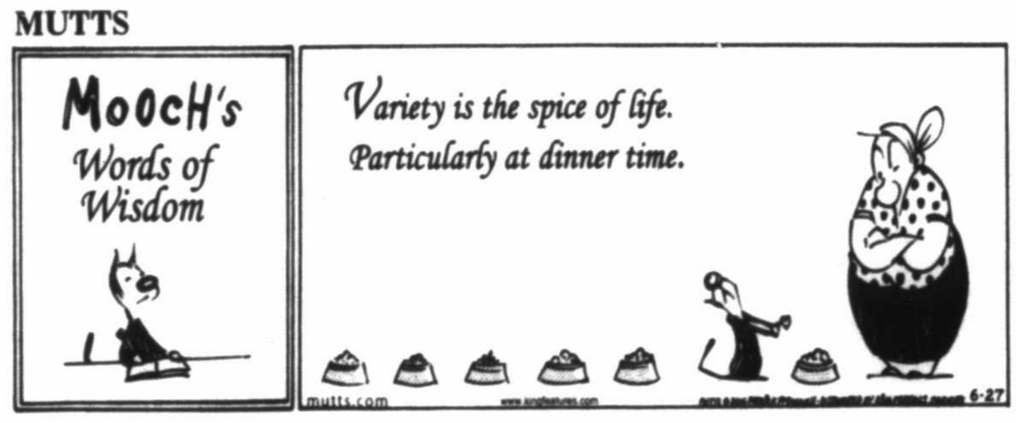

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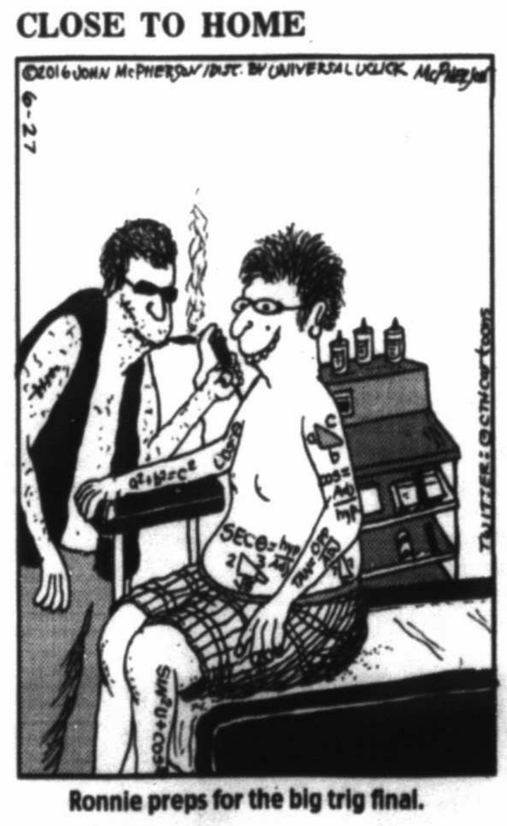

Ronnie preps for the big trig final.

DENNIS THE MENACE

"BEIN' GOOD'S NOT EASY. HOW DID YOU MANAGE IT ALL THESE YEARS?"

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FAMILY CIRCUS

"Child psychology would work better if KIDS would read it."

TODAY: Partly sunny	TUESDAY: Partly sunny	WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny	THURSDAY: Mostly sunny	FRIDAY: Mostly sunny	SATURDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 92 Low: 71	High: 95 Low: 71	High: 94 Low: 73	High: 97 Low: 74	High: 97 Low: 74	High: 98 Low: 75

Local forecast

The National Weather Service is calling for a 30 percent chance of showers today and a 10 percent chance Tuesday. Expect temperatures to warm up to above average later in the week.

The record high for June 26 is 112 set in 1994. The record low is 59 set in 1940 and 1958. On June 26 of last year, the high was 97 and the low was 72.

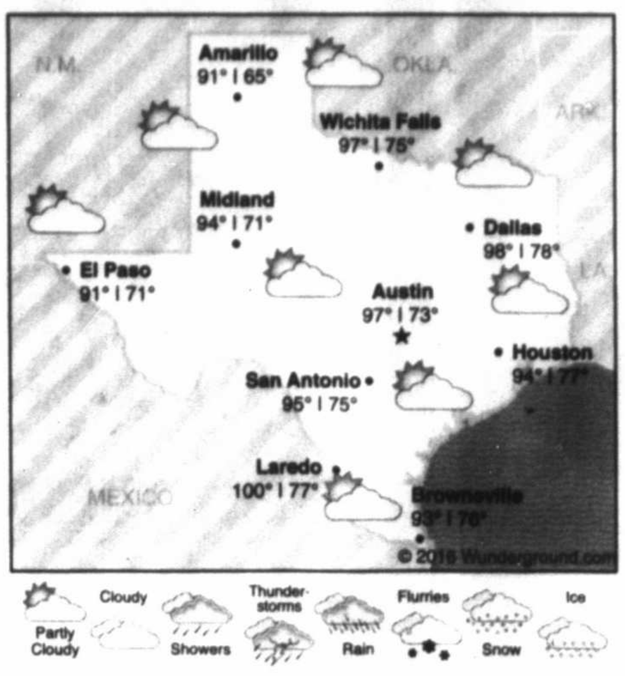
Weather brief

CALIFORNIA

Officials: California wildfire destroys 200 homes, buildings

LAKE ISABELLA, Calif. — A ravenous and deadly wildfire in central California has burned 200 homes and other buildings, though firefighters said Sunday light winds were helping contain the blaze.

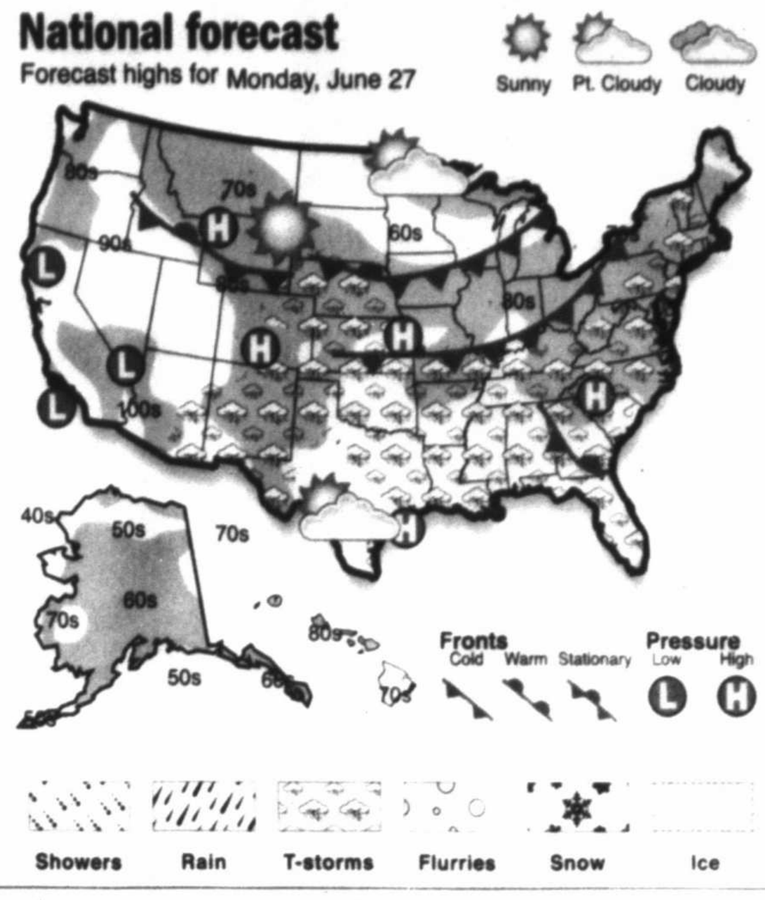
Firefighters may have found human remains Saturday when they began going through neighborhoods to count houses and mobile homes incinerated by the blaze



Precipitation		Sunday's temperatures	
Saturday	0.00 in.	High	82
Sunday	0.26 in.	Low	68
Month total	2.95 in.	Normal high	94
Year total	6.69 in.	Normal low	69
Normal total (year to date)	5.83 in.	Sunrise	6:45 a.m.
		Sunset	8:59 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Monday, June 27



Keep your dogs on leashes to avoid fights and attacks

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: Please remind your readers that it's important to keep their dogs on a leash for their pets' protection as well as the protection of those around them. In my community, leash laws are rarely enforced, and it's common to see dogs running loose in city parks. The result is an increase in dogfights and unwelcome contact with people. Coyote attacks are also common here in the West, and small dogs are often the victims.

If other dog owners kept their dogs leashed, I wouldn't have to worry about them bounding up to mine and the ensuing dogfight that follows when my dogs interpret that behavior as a threat. Remember, just because you think your dog is friendly, that doesn't mean all the other dogs are.

If people would just keep their dogs leashed, it would avert a myriad of problems for the dogs and their owners. — MARGE IN PHOENIX

DEAR MARGE: I'm glad you wrote. Unless dog owners are in an area where it is designated their animals can run loose — such as an off-leash dog park — their pets should be leashed for their own safety as well as that of others.

Off-leash dog parks (and beaches) provide a place for pets to exercise and socialize while also encouraging compliance with leash and "scoop" laws.

Pet owners must remember that coyotes are intelligent and highly adaptable. While they mostly do their hunting at night, they have also been known to "grab a snack" during the day if they happen to be hungry — to the dismay of owners of small pets.

And when I say "grab," I'm being literal. It has happened in an instant in front of the owner.

DEAR ABBY: I'm moving in a few weeks and have asked my girlfriend of two years to move in with me. She's considering it, but I suspect she's unsure about it because I am pretty messy at times — underwear tossed on the floor, plates piling up in the kitchen every other day, etc.

I know if I could get my act together she would happily move in, which is something I really want. Can you please give me some tips on becoming better at cleaning? I would hate for her to move in and feel like my maid, or worse, not move in at all. — READY TO COHABIT

DEAR READY: Your problem may be less that you're messy than that you're a procrastinator.

These are some basics: Buy a large wicker basket and keep it in a corner of your bedroom or closet.

When the underwear and socks come off, toss them into the basket instead of on the floor.

When you remove your pants and shirt, instead of throwing them over a chair, hang them up.

After you're finished eating, either put your plate, silverware, etc., into the dishwasher, or hand-wash them immediately and put them where they belong.

Try it for a week, and you'll be amazed at how tidy your place will be.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, June 27, 2016:

This year you have an unusual amount of get-up-and-go — so much so that those who have known you for a while might wonder what has happened to you. You will accomplish a lot, especially if you stay focused. Your intuition makes all the difference in your choices and success; listen to it. If you are single, you could meet someone at work and/or when involved in a community project. Learn to understand a different lifestyle and thought process. If you are attached, your sweetie could be offended by your frequent outings. Consider bringing him or her out with you more often. ARIES can be pushy.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You'll spring into action right from the start today. When you feel as if you have said enough, allow the other parties involved to imagine what it would be like if you were not there to pitch in. You will get the nod of approval when you least expect it. Tonight: As you like it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ If you wish to say little today, make that OK. Don't compromise yourself or accept a situation or behavior that you normally would not agree to. You'll get to the root of your resistance, which seems to play out frequently. Tonight: Catch up on some sleep.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You might feel as if you are unstoppable. Don't allow someone to throw you off with his or her attitude. Resist a request to contribute to an item or event that could cost you more than you are willing to spend; it likely won't be worth it. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Take a stand, knowing full well what is happening on the homefront. Discretion could go a long way toward resolving a problem. Tap into your imagination when listening to someone else discuss an idea; try to visualize what he or she is describing. Tonight: Could go till the wee hours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Reach out to a close associate or loved one to get feedback on a touchy matter. You could feel vulnerable. Pull away from someone's harsh and/or sarcastic comment. Understand that this comment has nothing to do with you; don't personalize it. Tonight: Look beyond the obvious.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ One-on-one relating will ignite your imagination and light a fire under you. Others are likely to express their support for an idea that might have been on the back burner for a while, which you were keeping hush-hush. Tonight: Listen to a loved one's impressions.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Defer to others, yet share more of what is on your mind. You'll discover the importance of openness, especially if you are not the lead player. Sometimes you close down when you don't get enough attention; try to stop that behavior. Tonight: Go along with another person's plans.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Work might be the dominant theme right now, but you could have difficulty getting past an immediate hassle that is preventing you from moving forward. Understand that a lot seems to be going on behind the scenes that you have yet to discuss. Tonight: Off to the gym.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You might put your best foot forward at first, but later could regret the effort. Others seem to understand your uncertainty, and will do their very best to counteract what is bothering you. It might be appropriate to share what ails you. Tonight: Make no preconceived decisions yet.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Pressure builds on the homefront, which encourages you to move forward with deliberation. Follow your intuition, and you are likely to discover that you can bypass any problems. Be more forthright about what is happening when speaking to a trusted associate. Tonight: With a buddy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Read between the lines as you attempt to determine what is going on around you. Chatting with others will help you to determine what is happening. Remain focused, despite what you are hearing and the consequential responses. Tonight: Visit with an older friend or loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Follow your intuition and see where it takes you. Don't push too hard in any direction until you are able to confirm that it is the right path for you. Be aware of the costs of proceeding in your chosen direction. Tonight: When a certain person speaks up, listen carefully.

BORN TODAY

Former U.S. presidential candidate Ross Perot (1930), fashion designer Vera Wang (1949), author Helen Keller (1880)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

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

♠ A 7 4 3 ♡ A 8 ◇ A Q 10 9 2 ♣ 10 6

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

A — You have much to do. Start by looking for a possible 4-4 spade fit before exploring for a diamond game or slam. A negative double is the right start.

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

♠ K 7 6 2 ♡ Q J 3 ◇ J 7 6 5 ♣ K 5

Partner opens two no-trump, 20-21, and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

A — First, give up on slam — the values just aren't there. You might have a 4-4 spade fit, but no-trump will usually play just as well as a suit contract when there are extra values. Bid three no-trump.

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

♠ K ♡ A J 10 2 ◇ K Q J 9 4 2 ♣ 4 2

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♡	Pass	1♠	Pass

What call would you make?

A — Two hearts would be a reverse, showing extras, which you don't quite have. Content yourself with a two-diamond rebid for now.

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

♠ J 6 5 ♡ A K 5 4 ◇ K ♣ K J 10 4 2

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass

What call would you make?

A — This hand is perfect for a raise with only three-card support — three cards to an honor plus a ruffing value. Bid two spades.

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ACROSS

1 Little fight
5 Scurries, old-style
9 Prefix with chute
13 Other than that
14 __ buco: veal dish
15 Hieroglyphics bird
16 Madonna hit with the lyrics "I'm keeping my baby"
19 Lacking
20 Choose (to)
21 Roast host
22 Add up to, in arithmetic
23 Skinny swimmer
24 Live-in nannies
26 Like some family-owned businesses
29 Kindle buy
30 Hops-drying oven
31 Woolf's "__ Dalloway"
34 Narrow cut
35 Bake, as eggs
37 Veggie that can be pickled
38 Title time traveler with Bill
39 Fellas
40 Hardship
41 2003 Eddie Murphy movie about an entrepreneurial stay-at-home parent
44 Cast maligning remarks at
47 Watch closely
48 Sleuths, for short
49 Meager
50 Tavern brew
51 Ladies
52 Propose marriage
56 Olympian's blade
57 Baseball tactic to advance a runner
58 Desire
59 Stereotypical techie
60 Make less intense, as one's breath
61 Iowa State city

DOWN

1 Unlike bosom buddies
2 Smallish celestial body
3 Hieroglyphics snakes
4 Beverage leaves
5 Showy publicity
6 "This __ working"
7 D.C. winter clock setting
8 Soak (up), as sauce
9 Merchant whom Simple Simon met
10 Beaded calculators
11 Potato cutter
12 Lenten symbol
17 Couch potato's opposite
18 Move to a new container, as a houseplant
19 Least dangerous
23 Startled cry
24 Hebrew winter month
25 Cold War country: Abbr.
27 Selling really well
28 Clangorous
31 Cheerleader's sound booster
32 Adjusts the position of
33 Emphasize
35 Soap bubbles
36 Jekyll's murderous other self
37 Ballpoint brand
39 Brooks of country music
40 Pastrami sandwich bread
41 A little banged up, tenderwise
42 Backspace over
43 Yes votes
44 Colorado ski resort
45 Range
46 Origami medium
50 Em, to Dorothy
51 Former name of Thailand
53 Flow back
54 Sine __ non: essential
55 Pan Am rival

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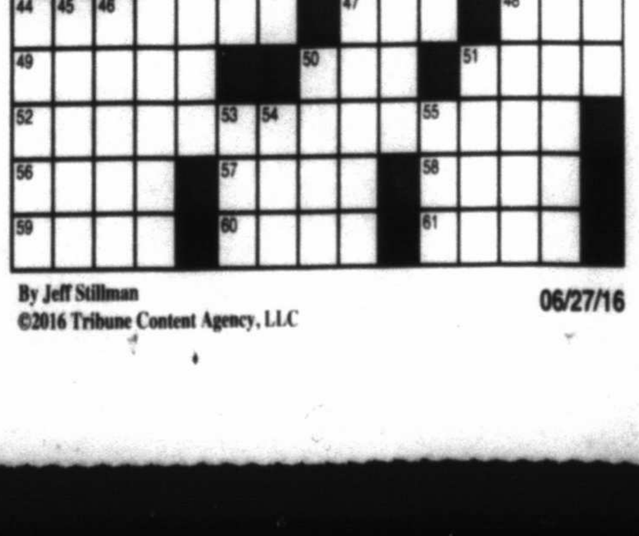

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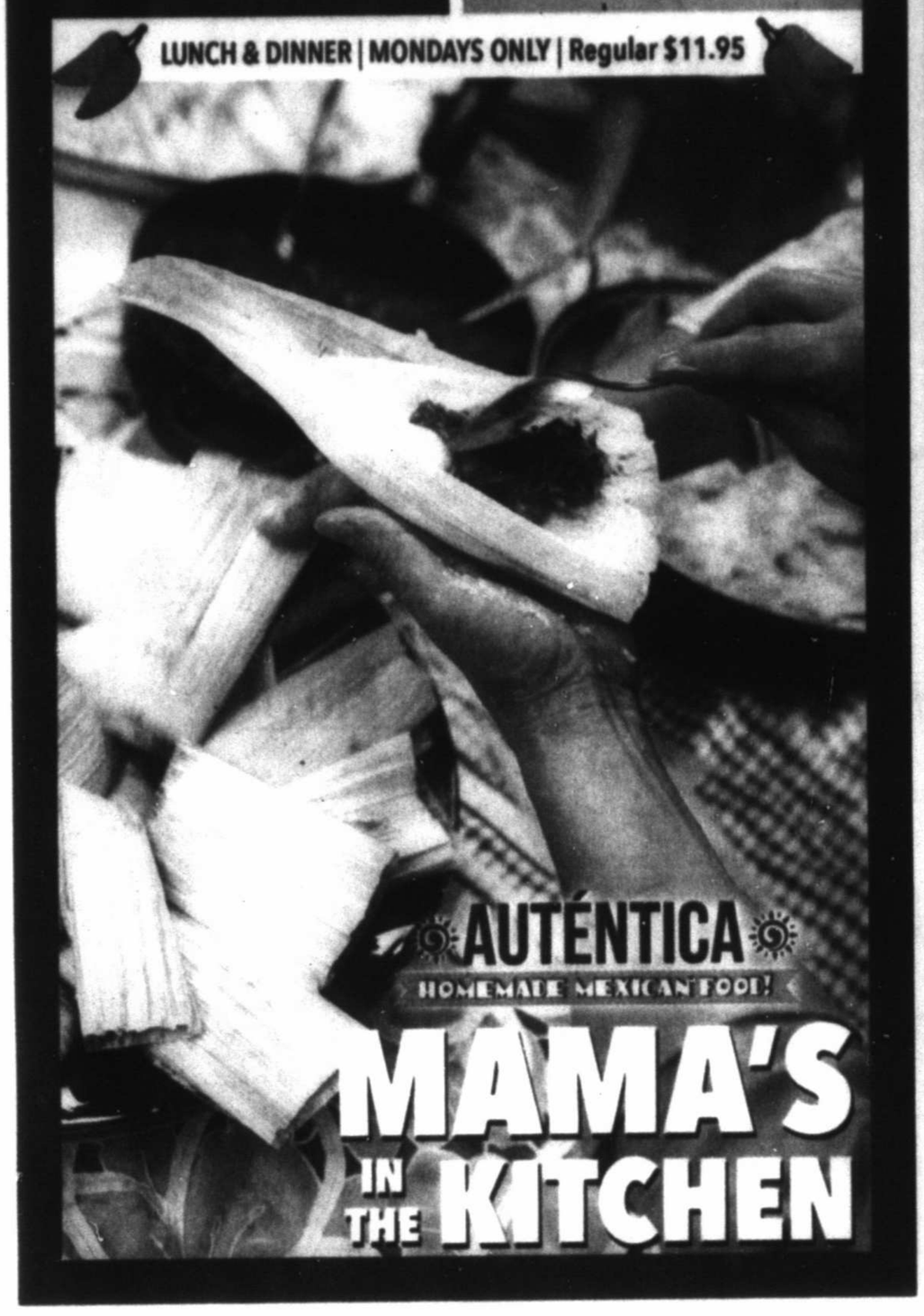

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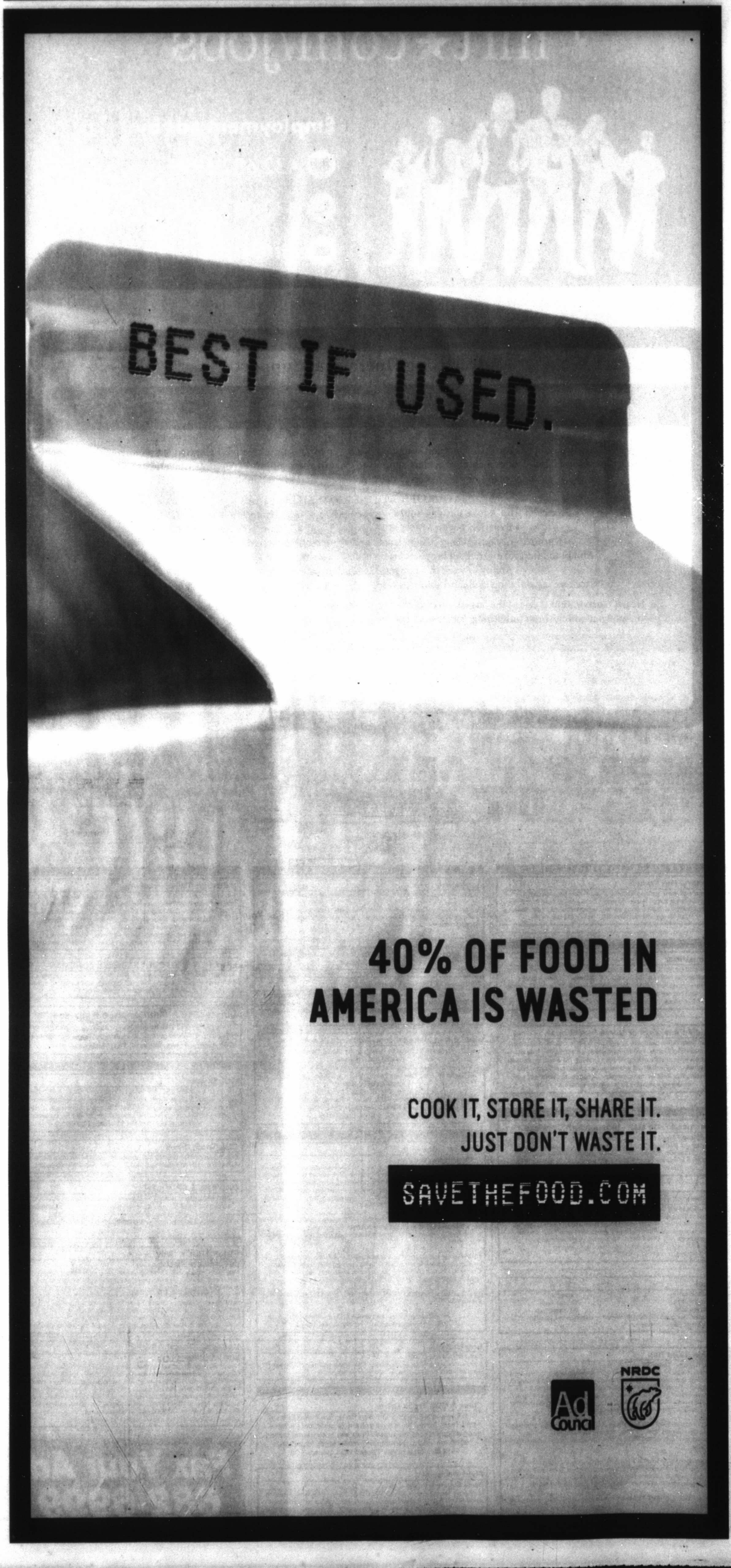
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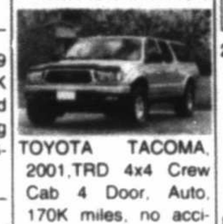

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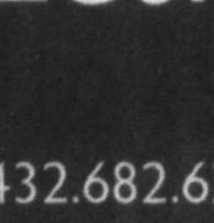

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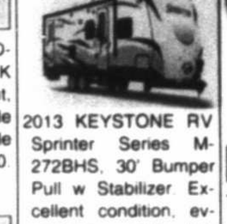

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