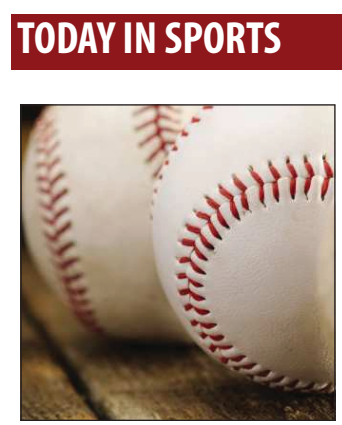


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## Boots vs. Badges blood drive coming to Pampa

**BY JOHN LEE**  
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The Pampa community will have an opportunity to give the gift of life next week as Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be making their way up U.S. Highway 60 from Amarillo.

From 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 23, Coffee Memorial Blood Center will hold their "Boots vs. Badges" blood drive. The event will take place at Clarendon College Pampa Center at 1601 W. Kentucky.

"You can only donate every 56 days

so we try to come every two-and-a-half months," Suzanne Talley, director of marketing and public relations for Coffee Memorial Blood Center, said.

"Summer months are harder on us because our regular donors go out of town, or their kids are out of school so they don't want to come out. Also with high school and colleges letting out it makes it takes away our college and high school blood drives."

Talley also said that the summers are harder on blood centers because with more accidents in the summer

and less donors, it creates a "Catch 22" situation where donations are down, but demand is up.

Talley explained that they are looking for all types of blood, but especially O Negative and O Positive.

To donate, a photo ID or donor ID card is required, and the donor must be 17 years old. 16-year-olds may donate with signed parental consent. Anyone who presents to donate will receive a free Boots vs. Badges t-shirt.

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## SUMMER READING EXCELLENCE



Submitted photo

This photo was taken on July 2 at the awards program for Summer Reading Program at Lovett Memorial Library. Winners were: At junior high level, Chris Gowin, Brooklyn Ledbetter and Jessica Gooch. 5th grade winner was Braden Gowin. 4th grade winners were Izaak Lee, Haley Fossett and Raylee Jewett. third grade winners were Joshua Lee, Lorell Luera and Ana Rios. second grade winners were Brycen Epperson and Brookelyn Sirmans. First grade winners were Yarin Cruz and Reagan Jewett. Kindergarten winners, Jayden Fossett, Dillan Yearwood, Lorelai Fulton and Stanford Corse. Pre-k winners, Keira Presson, Bailey Brummett, Kimi Lee, Etta Corse, Pierson Smillie, Utah Adkins, Samuel Walls, Eryk Ballew, Kyree Yearwood and Alex Fulton. We also had an Adult Reading Challenge going and the winners were: First place, Gloria Bowen, second place: Angela Bowman, and third place winners were Jessica Gooch and Nathan Farrar. The Pampa News and Lovett Memorial Library would like to say congratulations to all the winners.

## 22 bodies counted at Ukraine plane crash site

GRABOVO, Ukraine (AP) — Ukraine said a passenger plane carrying 295 people was shot down Thursday as it flew over the country, and both the government and the pro-Russia separatists fighting in the region denied any responsibility for downing the plane.

As plumes of black smoke rose up near a rebel-held village of Grabovo in eastern Ukraine, an Associated Press journalist counted at least 22 bodies at the crash site 40 kilometers (25 miles) from the Russian border.

The plane appeared to have broken up before impact and the burning wreckage — which included body parts and the belongings of passengers — was scattered over a wide area.

Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko called the downing an act of terrorism and called for an international investigation into the crash.

The village of Grabovo is currently under the

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## Unseasonably cold temps chill Panhandle



Photo by John Lee

The fog was dense and thick on Thursday morning after soaking rains ran through the Panhandle Wednesday evening into the early morning hours Thursday.

■ Canadian cold front responsible for recent fall-like weather.

**BY JOHN LEE**  
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While you won't even hear a whisper of a complaint from Pampa residents, the recent cool temperatures has to leave people wondering: where did summer go?

Most of the Texas Panhandle woke up to dense and heavy fog during their morning commutes Thursday morning. Those who travel on U.S. Highway 60 didn't have the

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## United Way basket winner



Submitted photo

Christine Kiper with executive director of the United Way, Jana Gregory, was the winner of the basket at Sparrows Nest in downtown Pampa.

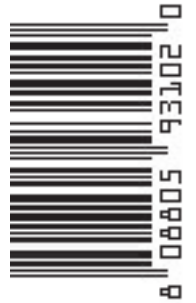
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# Ukraine

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control of the separatists and the area has seen severe fighting between the two sides in recent days.

Malaysia Airlines confirmed that it received notification from Ukrainian aviation authorities that it had lost contact with flight MH17 at 1415 GMT some 30 kilometers (20 miles) from Tamak waypoint, approximately 50 km (30 miles) from the Russia-Ukraine border.

It said the plane had 280 passengers and 15 crew members on board. The Boeing 777 that left Amsterdam at 12.15 p.m. and was to arrive at Kuala Lumpur International Airport at 6.10 a.m. Friday.

Anton Gerashenko, an adviser to Ukraine's interior minister, said on his Facebook page the plane was flying at an altitude of 10,000 meters (33,000 feet). He said it was hit by a missile fired from a Buk launcher, which can fire missiles up to an altitude of 22,000 meters (72,000 feet).

The Malaysia Airlines plane is a Boeing 777-200ER, which was delivered to Malaysia Airlines on July 30, 1997, according to Flightglobal's Ascend Online Fleets, which sells and tracks information about aircraft. It has more than 43,000 hours of flight time and 6,950 take-offs and landings.

Poroshenko said his country's armed forces didn't shoot at any airborne targets.

"We do not exclude that this plane was shot down, and we stress that the Armed Forces of Ukraine did not take action against any airborne targets," he said. "We are sure that those who are guilty in this tragedy will be held responsible."

Separatist leader Andrei Purgin told The Associated Press that he was certain that Ukrainian troops had shot the plane down but gave no explanation or proof for his statement.

Purgin said he did not know whether rebel forces owned Buk missile launchers, but said even if they did, they had no fighters capable of operating it.

A launcher similar to the Buk missile system was seen by Associated Press journalists earlier Thursday near the eastern Ukrainian town of Snizhne, which is held by the rebels.

It was the second time that a Malaysia Airlines plane was lost in less than six months. Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 disappeared in March while en route from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing. It has not been found, but the search has been concentrated in the Indian Ocean far west of Australia.

There have been disputes over planes being shot down earlier in the region.

On Wednesday evening, a Ukrainian fighter jet was shot down by an air-to-air missile from a Russian plane, Ukrainian authorities said Thursday, adding to what Kiev says is mounting evidence that Moscow is directly support-

ing the separatist insurgents. Security Council spokesman Andrei Lysenko said the pilot of the Sukhoi-25 jet hit by the air-to-air missile was forced to bail after his jet was shot down.

Pro-Russia rebels, meanwhile, claimed responsibility for strikes Wednesday on two Ukrainian Sukhoi-25 jets. The Ukrainian Defense Ministry said the second jet was hit by a portable surface-to-air missile, but added the pilot was unscathed and managed to land his plane safely.

Moscow denies Western charges that is supporting the separatists or sowing unrest in its neighbor. The Russian Defense Ministry couldn't be reached for comment Thursday about the Ukrainian jet being shot down.

Earlier this week, Ukraine said a military transport plane was shot down Monday by a missile fired from Russian territory.

Other passenger planes have been shot down before including:

— April 20, 1978: Korean Airlines Flight 902, which diverted from its planned course on a flight from Paris to Seoul and strayed over the Soviet Union. After being fired upon by an interceptor aircraft, the crew made a forced landing at night on the surface of a frozen lake. Two of the 97 passengers were killed by the hostile fire.

— Sept. 1, 1983: Korean Air Lines Flight 007 shot down by at least one Soviet air-to-air missile after the 747 had strayed into Soviet airspace. All 240 passengers and

29 crew were killed.

— July 3, 1988: Iran Air Flight 655 Aircraft was shot down by a surface to air missile from the American naval vessel U.S.S. Vincennes. All 16 crew and 274 passengers were killed.

## Ukraine: AF jet downed by Russian missile

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — A Ukrainian fighter jet was shot down by an air-to-air missile from a Russian plane and Ukrainian troops were fired upon by missiles from a village inside Russia, a spokesman for Ukraine's Security Council said Thursday.

The alleged episodes mark what Ukraine says is mounting evidence that Moscow is directly supporting the separatist insurgents in eastern Ukraine who have been seen to have substantial quantities of powerful weapons in recent weeks.

Security Council spokesman Andrei Lysenko said the pilot of the Sukhoi-25 jet hit by the air-to-air missile Wednesday evening was forced to bail after his jet was shot down. He said the rockets launched at Ukrainian troops were fired from the Russian village of Kuibyshevo.

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separatists or sowing unrest in its neighbor. The Russian Ministry of Defense could not be reached for comment Thursday about the latest accusations and Russia's foreign ministry did not respond to multiple requests for comment.

Earlier this week, Ukraine said a military transport plane was shot down Monday by a missile fired from Russian territory. Security Service chief Valentyn Nalyvaichenko said he had "unconditional evidence" that Russia was involved in downing that craft.

The rebels are known to possess portable anti-aircraft rocket launchers, but Ukrainian officials say that kind of weapon would have been unable to reach the plane at the altitude at which it was flying Monday. Aviation experts, however, have questioned whether the stricken transport plane was flying at the altitude Ukrainian officials had claimed.

Although the pro-Russia insurgents fighting the government in Kiev suffered a major setback earlier this month when they abandoned their stronghold in the city of Slovyansk, they still appear well-supplied militarily and have incurred heavy losses among government troops.

An Associated Press reporter on Thursday saw seven rebel-owned tanks parked at a gas station outside the eastern Ukrainian town of Snizhne. In the town, he also observed a Buk missile system, which can fire missiles up to an altitude of 22,000 meters (72,000 feet).

Ukraine's border service said Thursday it has evidence that five Grad multiple-rocket launchers and two armored personnel carriers were brought across the border Wednesday from Russia.

"Having crossed 60 meters (yards) over the border, they fired in the direction of Ukrainian army positions," the border service said in a statement. "In the location from which they fired, we found fragments of missiles and the traces of burned ground."

The U.S. slapped tougher sanctions against Russia on Wednesday for its actions in Ukraine. That prompted a strong reaction Thursday from Russian President Vladimir Putin, who said the sanctions will hamper bilateral relations and hurt not only Russian but also American businesses.

Russia's benchmark MICEX was down 2.4 percent in trading late Thursday after news of the sanctions while Russia's biggest oil company, Rosneft, was 4.4 percent down.

The U.S. sanctions target Rosneft and another major Russian energy firms, a pair of powerful financial institutions, eight weapons firms and four individuals.

The U.S. penalties, however, stopped short of the most stringent actions the West has threatened, which would fully cut off key sectors of Russia's oil-dependent economy. But officials said those steps were still on the table if Russia fails to abide by the West's demands to stop its support for the pro-Russia insurgents.

# Microsoft to cut up to 18,000 jobs over next year

REDMOND, Wash. (AP) — Microsoft announced the biggest layoffs in its history Thursday, saying it will cut up to 18,000 jobs or 14 percent of its staff as it works to cut down on management layers and integrate the Nokia cellphone business it bought in April. The news sent Micro-

soft's stock up 2 percent in morning trading.

Although the job cuts had been expected, the extent of them was a surprise. It's the boldest move by CEO Satya Nadella since he took the reins from Steve Ballmer in February. In a public email to employees Thursday, he

said the changes were needed for the company to "become more agile and move faster."

Of the job cuts, about 12,500 professional and factory jobs will be cut. Microsoft expects charges of \$1.1 billion to \$1.6 billion over the next four quarters, which includes

\$750 million to \$800 million for severance and related benefit costs.

FBR Capital Markets analyst Daniel Ives said the cuts were about double what Wall Street was expecting.

But he said they were necessary to streamline operations and clean up a

bloated management structure.

"Microsoft needs to be a 'leaner and meaner' technology giant over the coming years in order to strike the right balance of growth and profitability around its cloud and mobile endeavors."

The move dwarfs Micro-

soft's previous biggest job cut, when it cut about 5,800 jobs in 2009. That was the company's first ever widespread layoff.

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## Boots

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During the blood drive, donors may vote for their favorite local hero, whether a firefighter or police officer.

Afterwards, on Sept. 20 at Amarillo National Bank Sox Stadium, there will be a baseball game between the police officers and fire fighters. The winner of the game will receive one traveling trophy and the

## Chill

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normal wind-turbine-filled landscape they have become accustomed to in the last few years. Even after the fog left, the temperature wasn't supposed to get higher than 80 on Thursday.

winner of the blood drive will receive a different traveling trophy.

The event is sponsored by Amarillo Police Officer's Association, Amarillo Professional Firefighters Local No. 542, The Donut Stop, Amarillo Sox, Cumulus Radio, DJ Entertainment, Freeman, Wilcox, Palmer & Nance Law Firm, Newschannel10, Telemundo and the 100 Club of the Texas Panhandle along with valued assistance from other law enforcement agencies

"All of this (the recent cooler weather) is brought on by a rare July cold front," Chris Morris, meteorologist for the National Weather Service of Amarillo, said. "[While] it isn't quite the Arctic cold front we would see in the winter, it is a Canadian air mass."

The weather is expected to warm up this weekend into the mid-80s, low-90s,

and firefighters.

Talley wanted to send a thank you to the community of Pampa for allowing Coffee Memorial Blood Center to come out and a special thanks to Clarendon College Pampa Center for letting them use the college's facilities.

For more information on Coffee Memorial Blood Center and to make an appointment call 806-331-8800. Coffee Memorial Blood Center is located at 7500 Wallace Blvd. Walk-ins are welcome.

but Morris said that had this been a year ago, the story would be much different.

"With the moisture we have been getting, it is keeping the ground temperatures cool," Morris said. "As a result, the temperature in the air near the ground is cooler. Had this been a year ago or even 2012 or 2011, we would be looking at triple-digit temperatures."

Instead, Saturday and Sunday's temperatures are both looking to be in the 80s and low 90s, with a chance of rain Saturday night.

In terms of rainfall versus the normal, Morris said Pampa has received 7.17 inches, 4.43 inches in June, and the normal amount is right around eight or nine inches.

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## PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Saturday	Sunday
		
High 80 Low 61	High 87 Low 67	High 93 Low 70

**Friday:** Cloudy morning clearing up by the afternoon with a high of 80 degrees. Winds out of the east at 7 mph. Sunrise at 6:42 a.m. Chance of rain 10 percent.

**Friday night:** Clear with a low of 61 degrees. Winds south-southeast at 10 mph. Sunset at 8:58 p.m. Chance of rain 10 percent.

**Saturday:** Sunny with a high of 87 degrees. Winds out of the south at 15 mph. Sunrise at 6:42 a.m. Chance of rain 10 percent.

**Saturday night:** Isolated thunderstorms with a low of 67 degrees. Winds out of the south-southeast at 14 mph. Sunset at 8:57 p.m. Chance of rain 30 percent.

**Sunday:** Partly cloudy with a high of 93 degrees. Winds out of the south at 15 mph. Sunrise at 6:43 a.m. Chance of rain 10 percent.

**Sunday night:** Partly cloudy with a low of 70 degrees. Winds south-southeast at 14 mph. Sunset at 8:57 p.m. Chance of rain 20 percent

## Johnson-Joyce scholarship



Submitted photo  
Madison Joyce, right, is a recent graduate of Pampa High School and received a scholarship from Dr. Jay Johnson. Upon earning the scholarship, Johnson enclosed a letter to Madison. It read: "Madison, It is hard to believe graduation from Pampa High School is upon you. You have excelled in many areas during the last few years, and have done many things well because of your own hard work and your supportive family. I know they are proud of your accomplishments, too. It has been my pleasure to watch you grow and mature into an exemplary young lady. I am also proud to have you represent my family as the recipient of this year's scholarship honoring my parents, Evelyn and H.J. Johnson. They have always believed that hard work and dedication pave the way to success; so I believe this makes you very deserving of this award! Your hard work will continue to pay off in years to come. No doubt you will have many wonderful opportunities ahead of you; so I look forward to seeing your continued successes. Please keep me posted on your college activities and future achievements. May God continue to bless you! Best wishes for every future success, Dr. Jay"

## Taryn Eubank of Pampa named to Harding dean's list

**SUBMITTED**  
Searcy, Ark. — Pampa resident Taryn Eubank, a senior at Harding University, is among more than 1,200 University students included on the dean's list



**Taryn Eubank**

for grades achieved during the spring 2014 semester. The dean's list is published each semester by Dr. Larry Long, University provost, honoring those who have achieved high scholarship. To be eligible, a student must be carrying 12 or more hours with a 3.65 or higher grade-point average and no incompletes.

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## 1937 'Snow White' billboard offered at auction

DALLAS (AP) — A large, colorful billboard from the 1937 release of the animated film "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" is up for auction.

Heritage Auctions says the rare billboard is expected to sell for at least \$10,000 on Saturday in Dallas. The 20-by-9-foot billboard was printed in England to promote the Disney film there. It features three scenes, the main one showing a rosy-cheeked Snow White in front of a castle in her classic outfit with bright yellow skirt, surrounded by the dwarfs and other characters from the

film. The billboard has been in a private collection for more than a decade.

The billboard comprises 12 panels. The auction house says all but one of the panels are originals; One missing panel was recreated from an image in a press book.

### Blues legend Johnny Winter dies at 70

GENEVA (AP) — Texas blues legend Johnny Winter emblazoned himself into the world's consciousness with his tattooed arms churning

out lightning-fast guitar riffs and his striking long white hair flowing from under his cowboy hat.

His contrasting appearance and devotion to the blues pioneers of the 20th century turbo-charged a career in which he emulated and, ultimately, championed, his childhood hero Muddy Waters and other icons. Winters carved out a wide niche — and became an icon himself — starting in the late 1960s and 1970s with a sound that blues and country singer Tracy Nelson, prominent during the same era with her band Mother Earth, described as "Texas second generation." "He did not overplay, like a lot of white blues guitarists," she said of Winter, who collaborated with the likes of Waters, John Lee Hooker and Jimi Hendrix. "His tone was a little more modern, more electric, but I could see the influences. He stayed faithful. People idolized him."

Winter's representative, Carla Parisi, confirmed Thursday that he died in a hotel room just outside Zurich a day earlier at age 70. The statement said his wife, family and bandmates were all saddened by the loss of one of the world's finest guitarists.



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## Bereavement and Healing 'Love me tender'

"The beauty of Elvis' voice has filled our chapel this morning, the sweetness of his words has filled our hearts, but those of us who have witnessed the love story of Milton and Mona Gay, realize this morning, that even the unparalleled talent of this great vocalist has failed to express its sacred grandeur." Wow, what an opening statement at a funeral service.

I met my client nearly four years ago as we buried his brother. My client is a kind and dear man in his seventies. Throughout the years, I have seen him around town, and he has never failed to pull a faded and tattered picture from his wallet of his beautiful wife and tell me how much he loves her. Nearly three months ago, my client and his daughter came to my funeral home to make pre-arrangements for his wife.

Late last week, while directing a service for a different family, I received the dreaded call. The nurse on the other end of the line notified me that my client's wife had died.

I was heartbroken for him for I knew in his heart, his life had ended as Mona Gay drew, and then released her last breath. Unfortunately,

I could not go to the nursing home myself, so I sent my dear husband in my stead to respectfully gather Mona Gay's remains, and bring them back to the funeral home. All through the night, I worried about my client. I knew he was devastated over his loss. Even when one has anticipated the loss of a loved one who has been ill for quite some time, the actual occurrence of death is always dreadful.

Early the following morning, my client came to the funeral home to finalize the details of his beloved's services. As he sat beside me, he reached into his wallet and pulled out the old, faded and tattered picture of his wife, that I had seen on many previous occasions.

True as ever, his bright blue eyes radiated deep love as only true love can do. This day was different though, his eyes were bluer, brighter and more deeply radiating as tears ran down his cheeks, and he spoke of his lost love. When it was time to leave, Milton could barely stand. His legs were weak, and his body seemed frail.

Milton and his daughter came early for their visitation. He was hesitant and did not want to see her in her casket. He was so heartbroken and did not think he could bear the anguish of this new life without her. He told me that he thought he might die too, and that his sorrow was too

painful to survive. He apologized for crying, not realizing that his tears, his fears and his agonizing sadness were a great honor to his wife.

At the funeral, Milton's strength failed him. He fell to his knees as he approached his beloved's casket for the last moment they would share together. His tears and exclamations of tender love broke my heart, yet renewed my faith that love endures when all else fails.

The beauty of Elvis's voice filled my chapel that morning, and the sweetness of his words filled my heart, but the love I had witnessed from Milton for his beloved Mona Gay will never be expressed through the earthly talent of a great vocalist. Their tender love was one of sacred grandeur.

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## Will Eric Holder ever run out of race cards?

Attorney General Eric Holder, in a recent interview, reiterates the theme heard from the very beginning of President Barack Obama's administration: opposition to Obama's agenda equals racism. "There's a certain level of vehemence, it seems to me, that's directed at me (and) directed at the president."

What is Holder's proof — to the extent that any is required?

After all, following his election, Obama's favorable ratings reached nearly 80 percent, higher than any president-elect since John F. Kennedy. Obama, in 2008, received a greater percentage of the "white vote" than did John Kerry.

Polls, studies and statistics, for Holder, aren't relevant when it comes to racism. Some claim to possess "gaydar," an ability to discern the sexual orientation of a gay person. Holder, it seems, possesses the instinctive ability to discern "racists."

Holder added, "You know, people talking about taking their country back. ... There's a certain racial component to this for some people. I don't think this is the thing that is a main driver, but for some there's a racial animus."

Is Holder truly suggesting opponents disguise their racial animus through rhetoric like, "taking their country back"? Where have we heard the assertion that the take-back-America slogan equals racism?

Ben Jealous, the former president and CEO of the NAACP, made the same argument back in 2010.

"They use this rhetoric," said Jealous, "'take back our country' — as if nobody else belongs to the country. ... They question the nationality of people of color from the President all the way down. And it's deeply, deeply disturbing."

But CNN's Anderson Cooper played Jealous a montage of Democratic politicians using the very same rhetoric:

Then-presidential candidate Howard Dean, 2003: "Today, we stand in common purpose to take our country back!"

Then-presidential can-

didate Sen. John Kerry, 2004: "To take back our country ..."

Sen. Charles Schumer, N.Y., 2006: "We are going to take our country back!"

Then-presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama, 2007: "It's going to be because of you that we take our country back."

Then-presidential candidate Sen. Hillary Clinton, 2008: "To make sure we take our country back ..."

New Mexico's Gov. Bill Richardson, 2008: "Are you ready to take our country back?"

Then-Minnesota senatorial candidate Al Franken, 2008: "This is the year we take our country back."

Harvard law professor and defense attorney Alan Dershowitz made the same rhetoric-equals-racism argument back in 1998, only he objected the way the "right wing" refers to themselves as "real Americans." For example, a former Southern Republican criticized Dershowitz by saying, "Real America understands that the Constitution is there for a reason."

To this Dershowitz responded, "Whenever I hear the words 'real Americans,' that sounds to me like a code word for racism, a code word for bigotry, a code word for anti-Semitism." We go again to the videotape:

Then-President Bill Clinton, 1995: "Look, I know America first and foremost is a place where individual effort and family values count."

That's why I am successful. But I live in the real America — not in Washington, D.C."

Then-President Clinton, 1997: "Remember how you have seen things like that during the natural disasters here in California. That is the face of the real America."

That is the face I have seen over and over again. That is the America somehow, some way, we have to make real in daily American life."

Then-President Clinton, 1998: "America's got a good agenda in the coming months."

We can be for saving Social Security first, better schools, a cleaner environment, and a Patient's Bill of Rights, and we can sell that in every place in America. They are real choices

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## Reporter without a visa at the border

The star of a CNN film, "Documented," journalist Jose Antonio Vargas went to Texas to bring attention to the 57,000 unaccompanied minors who have crossed the border illegally since October.

On Tuesday, authorities detained Vargas at McAllen/Miller International Airport because his Philippine passport lacks a U.S. visa. Within hours, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released him.

Upon release, Vargas issued a statement, in which he noted that he had come to the border to shine a light on the children and the fear they must endure in the course of simple acts such as boarding a plane.

The problem here is: Vargas is living proof that U.S. immigration enforcement is toothless.

I first met Vargas when he was an intern at the San Francisco Chronicle. He reminded me over the phone Wednesday, "I used to

deliver your mail." (He lied about his legal status to get the job.)

In 2011, after years of living in fear of exposure, Vargas outed himself as an undocumented immigrant in The New York Times. His Filipina mother had sent him to live in the United States when he was 12.

Think about it. Vargas announced in The New York Times that he is here illegally, and federal authorities left him alone. The only repercussion was that Washington state revoked a driver's license he had obtained fraudulently.

Now, for three years, he's been making appearances across the country. "This is my first time getting stopped at the airport," Vargas told me. (When he decided to go to McAllen, he didn't realize that when he left, he'd have to risk a highway or airport checkpoint.) He has visited 43 states.

In 2012, Minnesota police stopped Vargas for driving with headphones on and then arrested him for driving without a valid license. ICE did not detain him.

A spokeswoman told

The New York Times, "ICE is focused on smart, effective immigration enforcement that prioritizes the removal of public safety threats, recent border crossers and egregious immigration law violators, such as those who have been previously removed from the United States."

His driving without a license bothers me to no end. I asked Vargas: If you want to convince citizens you respect the law, why would you do that?

"I was driving because, as a human being, I wanted to be free and I wanted to drive," Vargas answered. And: "An undocumented person driving in the morning in Minneapolis isn't thinking, 'Oh, my God, look what I'm getting away with.'"

I support the DREAM Act, which would grant permanent residence to immigrants brought here illegally as children.

Washington should not

punish children for the crimes of their parents.

But it leaves me cold when "dreamers" declare in "Documented," "We are undocumented, unafraid, unapologetic."

Unafraid? I don't think so. Vargas has written movingly about the fear that haunted his heady climb in journalism. When his work for The Washington Post led to a shared Pulitzer Prize, he was afraid he'd be exposed.

And unapologetic? Such talk, Vargas told me, used to bother him, too. If I were Vargas, I'd go back to those roots. Unapologetic is the wrong attitude for young people who want to convince others that they respect the rule of law.

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# 17th century shipwreck on the move in Texas

BRYAN (AP) — The recovered remains of a ship belonging to the famed French explorer Rene-Robert Cavelier Sieur de la Salle, which sank off the Texas coast more than three centuries ago, were launched on their final journey Thursday.

The keel and other large structural pieces of La Belle, which have been preserved in a gigantic freeze-dryer at Texas A&M since 2012, were gingerly loaded onto a flatbed truck for the 85-mile trip to the Bullock Texas State History Museum in Austin, the last stop in a voyage that began in 1685 with La Salle's ill-fated expedition to find the mouth of the Mississippi River.

"It's part of Texas and Texas history," said Peter

Fix, assistant director of the university's Center for Maritime Archaeology and Conservation. "This is how we learn who we are and where we came from."

The 54-1/2-foot-long supply ship was built in 1684 and sank two years later during a storm in the Gulf of Mexico's Matagorda Bay, the first in a series of events that dashed France's hopes of colonizing a piece of the New World now known as Texas.

Texas Historical Commission archaeologists found the shipwreck in 1995 in 12 feet of murky water, built a dam around the site and pumped it dry. Researchers dug through up to 6 feet of mud to retrieve the nearly intact hull and some 700,000 items, including

three cases of rifles, plus other guns, swords, a cannon and ammunition, and beads and mirrors intended for trade and tool chests containing hammers and saws.

"There are pretty cool things that came out of this wreck," Fix said. "But the key issue is we get to learn and hopefully inspire more discovery."

Archaeologists also found a skeleton, believed to be the remains of a crew member or settler among the 40 or so people aboard.

The mud that covered the hull prevented its destruction by salt water and wood-eating mollusks, worms or bacteria, said Donny Hamilton, director of the Conservation Research Laboratory.

"Wood will outlast iron,

as long as it's covered," Hamilton said. "If it didn't get left in the mud, you'd have nothing left."

In the summer of 2012, the ship pieces were taken to the Texas A&M lab where the water-logged European oak wood was stored at 60 degrees below zero in the world's largest archaeological freeze dryer to safely remove more than 300 years of moisture and keep the wood solid.

It's among nearly 400 pieces of wood marked at the wreck site. Breakage during recovery pushed that total to more than 600.

"We have to piece them back together," Fix said. "It's a three-dimensional jigsaw puzzle of what was 23,000 pounds of waterlogged wood in the remaining shape of a ship."

The challenge Thursday was to brace the delicate pieces with wood frames and foam, rest them on an aluminum platform and limit any abrasion and flexing during the two-hour-long ride to Austin at speeds up to 60 mph.

The actual reconstruction is to begin this fall and will be completed next May. The entire project, including identification and restoration of artifacts found on the ship, has cost "close to \$5 million," Hamilton said.

La Salle was the first European to travel the Mississippi River south to the Gulf, claiming all the land along the Mississippi and its tributaries for France in 1682. In 1685, he sailed from France with more than 300 colonists aboard four ships, La Belle among them, to

establish a settlement at the mouth of the Mississippi.

Maps from that time show he believed the river was closer to Mexico, and his expedition missed the Mississippi by hundreds of miles. His team established a colony near Matagorda Bay, but it was ravaged by disease, rattlesnakes and Indians. Three years later, La Salle led a handful of survivors inland in search of the Mississippi. He wound up being killed by his own men before they left Texas.

The ship legally remains French property. Under a treaty between the U.S. and France, French authorities have veto authority over conservation steps, Hamilton said.

"I can't think of any time they said no to anything," Hamilton said.

# Fox bid for Time Warner sparks content merger race

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Even though Rupert Murdoch's \$76 billion bid for rival media giant Time Warner Inc. has been rejected, that doesn't mean how you watch TV shows and movies will stop changing any time soon.

The cash-and-stock bid by Murdoch's Twenty-First Century Fox Inc. was partly meant to counter consolidation among TV distributors like Comcast-Time Warner Cable and AT&T-DirecTV.

The more must-have channels like HBO and Fox News Channel are assembled under one company, the stronger that company's bargaining position in demanding licensing fees from the TV distributors, no matter how big they get.

Time Warner also owns TV channels CNN, TNT and TBS, along with the Warner Bros. movie studio, which includes Batman, Superman and Harry Potter. Fox owns the 20th Century Fox movie studio, the Fox broadcast network and such TV channels as Fox News and FX.

Much of the value is in the television channels because of the ever-increasing fees they are able to command from cable and satellite TV providers. Disputes over such fees have

led to temporary blackouts of popular channels from various systems.

The Comcast-Time Warner Cable and AT&T-DirecTV deals are both undergoing regulatory review. In disclosing the rejected bid Wednesday, Time Warner and Fox indicated that their talks were over, but analysts don't expect Murdoch to give up. The offer was worth about \$86.30 a share based on Tuesday's closing price.

If talks resume and a takeover succeeds, analysts see some possible consumer benefits.

### TV everywhere could get a push

A combination could accelerate the industry's "TV Everywhere" push, in which traditional media companies make their channels available over the Internet as part of a TV subscription. It's the pay TV industry's answer to the rise of streaming services such as Netflix, YouTube and Amazon.

The hang-up in making those channels available online has partly been licensing deals with content producers. A unified company with an even larger suite of channels from TBS to FX could make such deals standard industry-

wide. Apps modeled after Time Warner's successful HBO Go could also be applied to more networks.

"A player with more scale would be able to work on that and make digital content offering more user-friendly to the consumer," Nomura analyst Anthony DiClemente said.

### Movie studios could shorten theater exclusivity

With a North American box office market share of around 30 percent, a combined Warner Bros.-20th Century Fox movie studio could push movie theater companies to shorten the time between when a movie hits theaters and when it's available for sale or rental through digital outlets like iTunes.

A shortened window helps studios spend less money on marketing because they wouldn't have to advertise each time a movie becomes available on a different platform. Theater companies have pushed back, as earlier digital release times could cut into ticket sales.

"They would have a lot of ability to experiment with new release patterns for movies," FBR Capital Markets analyst Barton Crockett said.

### ESPN could get a challenger

While there's no guarantee that the cost of sports rights would come down, a merger would reduce the number of bidders for such rights and allow a combined company to spread acquired content over more channels. For example, after Comcast bought NBCUniversal, it rebranded Comcast's Versus channel as NBC Sports Network and used it to carry figure skating and hockey during the Winter Olympics in Sochi.

Fox could bolster its sports channel, Fox Sports One, by combining efforts with Time Warner's TNT to recapture the rights to broadcast NBA basketball games when they expire in 2016. TNT currently shares those rights with The Walt Disney Co.'s ESPN and ABC.

TNT also has rights to

college basketball and professional golf, adding to Fox's Major League Baseball and NASCAR racing.

"A combined portfolio of sports could better challenge ESPN," DiClemente wrote in a research note.

### But there are possible downsides

To blunt the rise of streaming services like Netflix and Amazon Instant Video, a combined company would have more power to withhold content or demand steeper licensing fees. That, in turn, could force streaming services to raise subscription prices.

And further consolidation puts more media voices under the control of one entity. That's why Fox, which operates the lucrative Fox News Channel, is willing to sell Time Warner's CNN, according to one person familiar with the matter. That

person spoke on condition of anonymity because that deal point wasn't officially made public.

It's unclear how regulators would view so many pay TV channels being owned by the same company.

### and it's not over yet

DiClemente and Janney analyst Tony Wible both believe that with interest rates low and with Fox having a healthy balance sheet, Fox could raise its bid above \$100 per share by borrowing more money.

It also could set off interest by other bidders for Time Warner, which in turn could set off other mergers among content companies that don't want to be left out.

"It's a chain reaction," Wible said. "There will be more consolidation on the content side."

## Elder

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real Americans face in this election."

Then-first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, 1994: "They have enabled this day to come about, because they were willing to think differently, to put people first, to solve real problems that real Americans face every day."

Then-House Minority Leader Rep. Richard Gephardt, Mo., 1998: "We will carry on this fight every day of the rest of this year to fight for the real issues that real Americans care about so deeply."

Speaking of race, Attorney General Holder said, "The greatest threats (posed by racism) do not announce themselves in screaming headlines. They are more subtle. They cut deeper ... and ... are more pernicious." Holder offered three specific examples of "subtle," "deep," "pernicious" racism.

What are they? One, the push by some states for voter ID. Two, that black men receive longer prison sentences compared to white men for same crime.

Third, that black kids are expelled/suspended at higher rates compared to white students.

In the case of voter ID, blacks support the requirement almost as much as do whites. Prison sentences are based, in part on arrests, something juries are unusually barred from hearing about. As for suspensions, schools in both liberal and conservative areas experience the same thing — black boys disproportionately expelled.

Blame bad behavior, lack of discipline at home or fatherless

homes. But blaming the consequences of bad behavior on "pernicious" racism does damage to growth and personal responsibility. Nice work, Mr. Holder.

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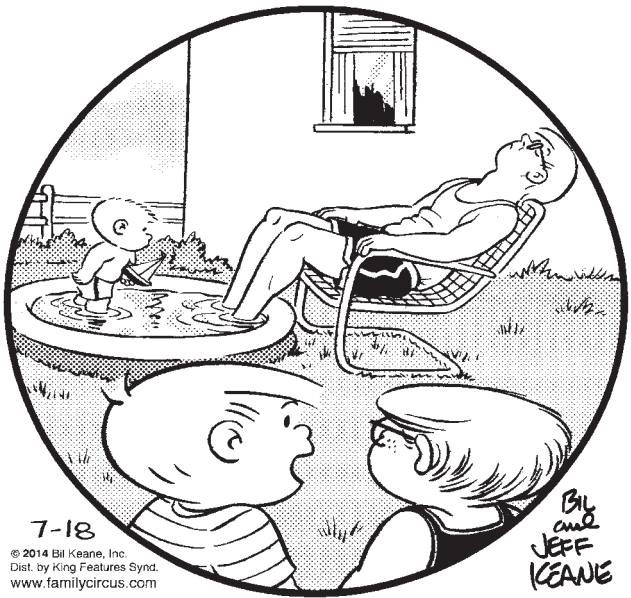
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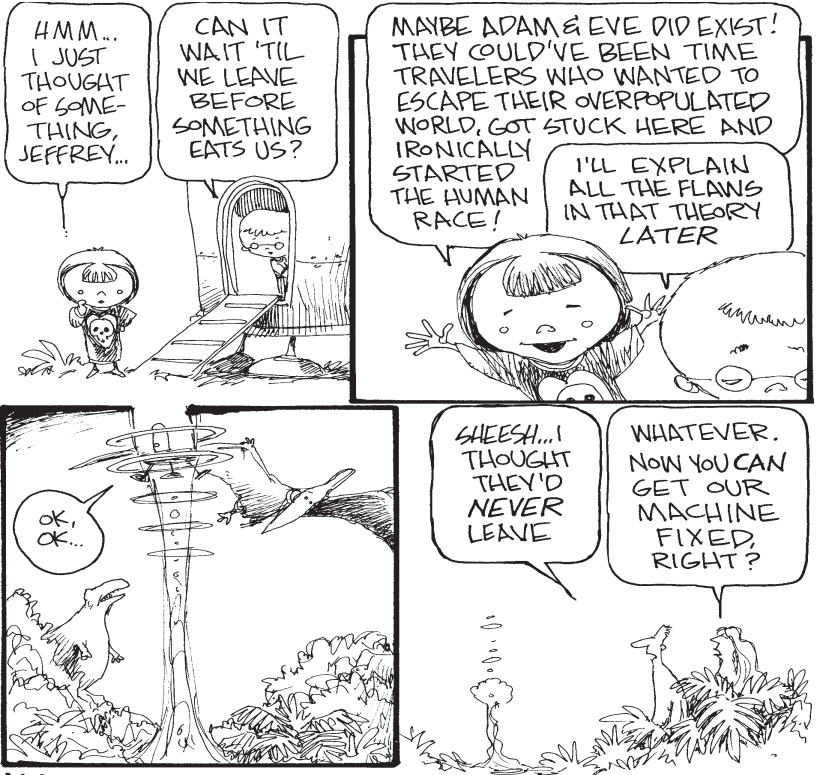
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**"My dad started jogging again. His head likes it but his feet don't."**

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### Nest Heads

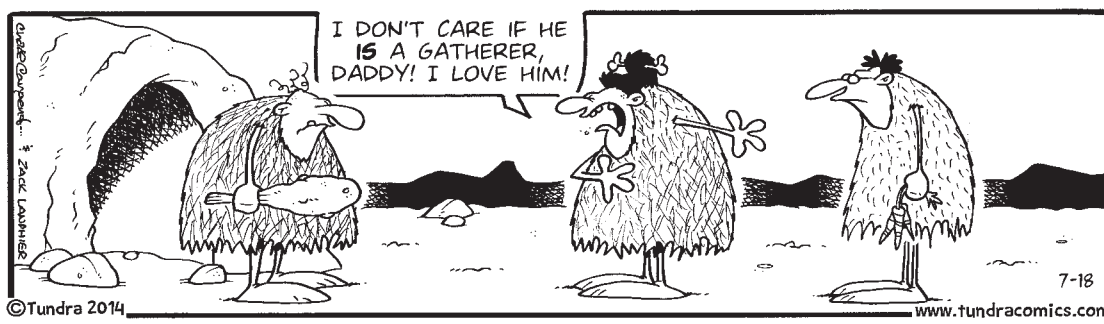


# daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Saturday, July 19, 2014:  
 This year you might be busier than you think you are. You might have an unexpected responsibility involving an older relative or parent. Your professional life could be dominating your days, which leaves you little time for yourself. You need to make time for your personal life. If you are single, you will meet someone in a most unexpected way or through someone you would never think could introduce you to such a special person. If you are attached, you will want to spend more time with your sweetie. Even with all the demands in your life, you will make an effort to have alone time together. TAURUS has a way with you.  
 The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult  
**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) ★★★ You might be the source of all your pressure because of a judgment you've made regarding a certain issue. You will be putting a lot of effort into your home or domestic life. A little creativity could save you a lot of money. Tonight: Keep your budget in mind.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You'll feel better than you have in a while. Dealing with a grumpy person might not even bother you today. Consider taking a drive to the beach or to the mountains, or meet up with a friend who lives far away. Tonight: Catch up on a loved one's news.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★★ You recently might have gone to extremes in living life to the max. The fast-paced life will catch up with you. Slow down, and do only what you must. Give yourself a little time to recharge your batteries. You will be better for the experience. Tonight: Play it low-key.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ Friends will want you to join them. It is clear that you won't be left alone, so you might as well head out the door. Choose your preferred invitation, or do something you have been postponing doing. Expect to be surrounded by people. Tonight: Where the action is.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Someone could be too difficult and domineering for your taste. You might want to head in a different direction, and you will find a reason to do so. A loved one or special friend will be only too happy to see your detour end wherever he or she is. Tonight: All eyes

turn to you.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You will relate directly to a loved one in order to understand what you need to do to gain favor with a key person. A discussion could help illuminate this person's long-term goals and desires. Do what you can to make his or her dreams a reality. Tonight: Chat over dinner.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Defer to others. You have dealt with enough flak for a while. You don't need to be responsible for making plans or for giving out suggestions. You actually might be happiest with one close loved one whom you can be open with. Tonight: Mellow out over a good dinner.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ It seems as though, no matter what you do, someone has a better idea. Don't cop an attitude; instead, be open to this person's suggestions. Reach out to a loved one at a distance who you have wanted to speak with. Make plans for a visit soon. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You might decide to pull back and handle a personal matter differently. Given some time, you could complete a project that you have kept on the back burner. Use a window of time just for you. Tonight: Do whatever feels right.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Your imagination could be the source of some intriguing plans. You'll have to decide who you want to invite to this get-together. Follow your intuition, and you can't go wrong. You might find it difficult to kiss logic goodbye, but you will. Tonight: You can be quite a flirt!  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ You might want to center yourself and reconsider what to do with a personal situation. Your home life also could be involved in a discussion. A change might be inevitable, so remain open to a new and different idea. Tonight: Invite friends over to your place for a special meal.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Make an effort to touch base with several people you have not had time to reach out to. Do not be surprised if you get a strong reaction from a friend who has really missed you. Understand what this person's disgruntled attitude means. Tonight: Hang out at a favorite spot.

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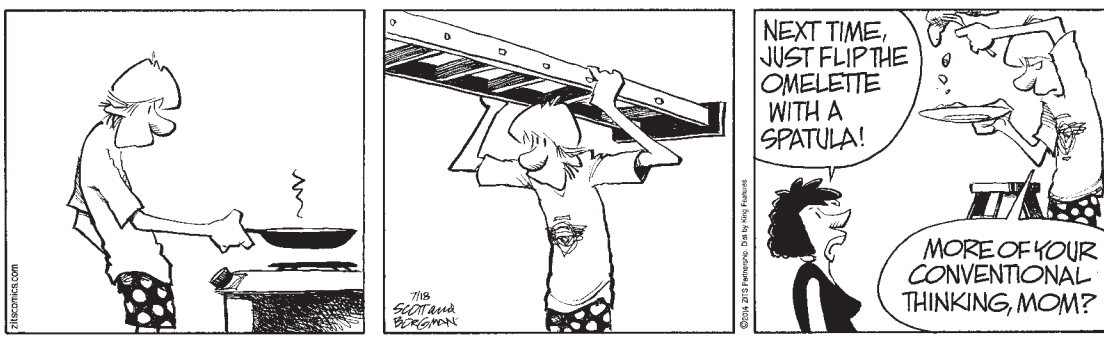
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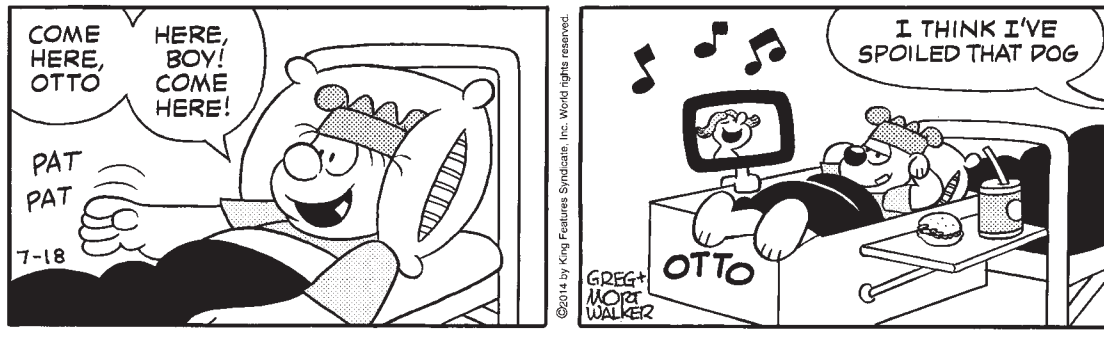
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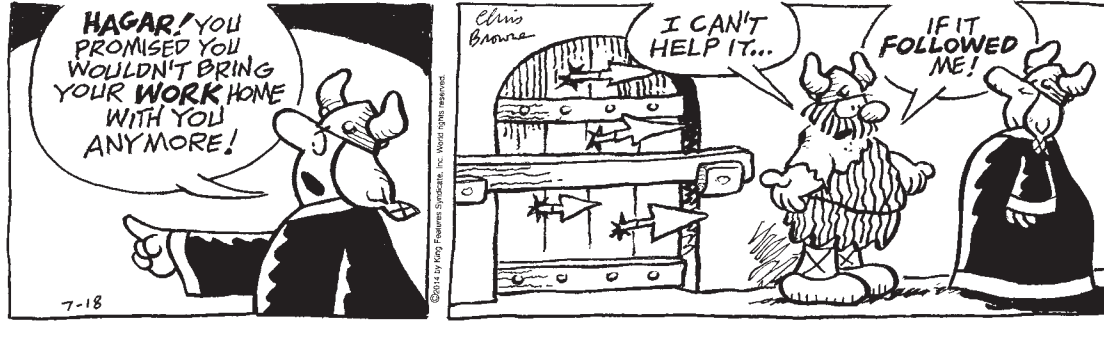
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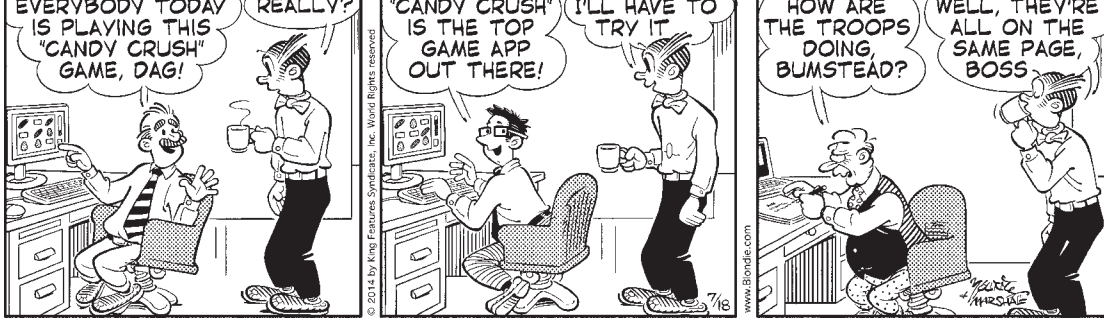
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# PampaSports

## Directly from the Dugout

### Rangers limp into second half of season

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The Texas Rangers limped into the All-Star break losing their last eight games including going 4-23 in the final 27 games before the break. With the July 31st trade deadline looming, Texas looks to be sellers at the deadline this go around. It will be an odd sight for Ranger fans as the last few years they have been on the buying end.

One trade Texas already made was trading reliever Jason Frasor to the Kansas City Royals for Spencer Patton a minor league starter. Patton, 26, was at Triple-A Omaha, where he

was 4-3 with a 4.08 ERA and 14 saves in 34 games. In 46 1/3 innings, he has allowed 26 hits and 22 walks for a 1.04 WHP. He also averages 11.7 strikeouts per nine innings but has allowed nine home runs. He has been assigned to Triple-A Round Rock.

Now to recap where we left off. The Rangers had already lost two games to the Astros and with Yu Darvish pitching last Wednesday they expected a win. However, Darvish had yet another bad outing giving up six runs in six innings pitched. The bullpen added two more runs to the deficit as well. Dan Robertson had

a double and two RBIs and that was really the main offense there was for Texas. **Final: Astros 8, Rangers 4.**

And with this loss Texas moved into the cellar of the AL West for the first time in a long time.

A four-game set with the Angels was the last series for the Rangers before the break. Colby Lewis started game one Thursday and was flat miserable. He gave up 13 runs in two and a third innings pitched. Aaron Poreda also gave up two more runs from the bullpen. Adrian Beltre was 3-4 with a HR, two runs scored and an RBI. Jake

Smolinski was 3-4 with a double, three RBIs and two runs scored. Normally that would have been enough offense for a victory but when the starting pitcher gives up 13 runs its hard to bounce back from that. **Final: Angels 15, Rangers 6.**

Saturday's game had Nick Tepesch on the mound for Texas and he performed well. He gave up three runs in six innings pitched and the bullpen kept the Angels off the board the rest of the way. Unfortunately the Rangers offense came up flat and went 0-6 with runners in scoring position. **Final: Angels 3, Rangers 0.**

Miles Mikolas hit the mound for Texas in game three. He gave up five runs in five and two thirds innings pitched. The bullpen came in and had a clean slate the rest of the way though. Once again it was

a night where the starter allowed a few runs but a good offense could overcome the hole. But the Ranger offense didn't show up. Carlod Pena, Rougned Odor and Alex Rios all had doubles in the game but that was really the extent of the offense. **Final: Angels 5, Rangers 2.**

The Rangers really didn't want to end the first half of the season on a losing streak. So Scott Baker hit the mound in hopes to relieve that streak. However, Baker gave up five runs in four innings pitched. Each bullpen pitcher gave up at least one run each for a total of five more runs added on. The offense showed up tonight but this time there were too many runs to get to get out of that hole. Rios was 2-3 with a double, three RBIs and a run scored. Beltre, Smolinski

and Leonys Martin each had an RBI a piece. **Final: Angels 10, Rangers 7.**

Texas travels to Toronto for a three game set with the Blue Jays starting tonight. Yu Darvish (8-5, 2.97 ERA) matches up with R.A. Dickey (7-9, 3.82 ERA) in tonight's opener. Dickey and Darvish have not pitched as well as they would have hoped for recently. I think they both come out in sharp form tonight with runs coming at a premium. I still give the nod to Darvish, the streak has to end sometime and he's the man to stop it. **Prediction: Rangers 2, Blue Jays 1.**

Colby Lewis (6-6, 6.54 ERA) faces off with Marcus Stroman (4-2, 4.05 ERA) on Saturday. How can anyone pick Lewis to

**RANGERS** cont. on page 13

## Baseball gets back to work

(AP) -- Sure, it was great for a couple days. The cheers for Derek Jeter. The power of Giancarlo Stanton. The excellence of Mike Trout in the American League's 5-3 victory.

Baseball's All-Star party in the Twin Cities was a long series of smiles for players and fans. But the break is over now and the real fun begins Friday night.

Heading into the second half of the season, there are all sorts of compelling stories from coast to coast. It could be one fun summer in California, where Oakland begins the weekend with the best record in the majors, and the Giants, Angels and Dodgers in prime playoff position. The trade deadline is in two weeks, and the recovery of several key injured players could dramatically affect a couple of divisions.

The A's bearded collection of shaggy misfits and stars is looking for the franchise's first World Series title in 25 years. Sensing an opportunity, general manager Billy Beane got an early jump on the deadline when he acquired pitchers Jeff Samardzija and Jason Hammel in a deal with the Chicago Cubs on July 4.

The blockbuster trade created an awkward scene at the All-Star game, where Samardzija was introduced with the NL reserves and then joined his new teammates in the AL dugout.

"I'm really excited to just put all this to rest now and the sideshow that's happened right in the middle of all this," Samardzija said. "It was a great opportunity to get to know these guys more. I flew out here with them. I'm excited."

There will be no such problem for any other players on the move this month.

Boston pitcher Jake Peavy, Philadelphia second baseman Chase Utley, San Diego closer Huston Street and New York Mets right-hander Bartolo Colon are thought to be on the market as contenders shop for that missing piece that could pay off into October.

"I guess there's a possibility for anything, but at this point I love playing in Philadelphia," said Utley, who could veto any deal.

Jeter was warmly greeted everywhere he went this week, and the Yankee captain contributed two hits to the AL All-Star win. Any chance of his final season ending in the playoffs likely depends on the return of rookie ace Masahiro Tanaka, who is out with a partially torn ligament in his right elbow. He is going through a six-week rehab program but season-ending surgery is an option.

Michael Pineda also could return from a back injury to New York's battered rotation.

The Bronx is one of many spots where health is an issue for the stretch run.

The recovery of Reds sluggers Joey Votto (strained muscle above left knee) and Brandon Phillips (left thumb) and indispen- sible Cardinals catcher Yadier Molina (right thumb) could affect the

bunched NL Central. The Pirates could get starting pitcher Gerrit Cole (tight lat muscle) in the first few weeks after the break.

"We know what we're capable of doing, and we're going to play like we've been there before, like we've done it before," said slugger Andrew McCutchen, hoping to lead Pittsburgh back to the playoffs for the second straight year. "That's what

we've got to look forward to."

The strained right quadriceps of Toronto's Edwin Encarnacion and ailing back of Detroit's Victor Martinez also bears watching. Atlanta, which is battling Washington for the top spot in the NL East, could get a lift from the return of Evan Gattis after the catcher was sidelined by a bulging wdisk in his back.

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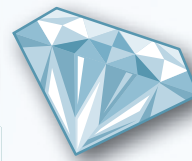




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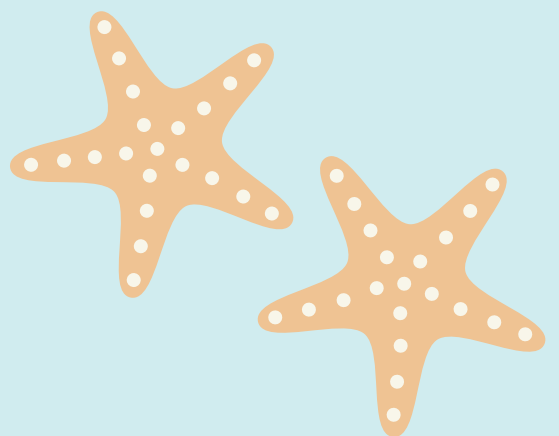
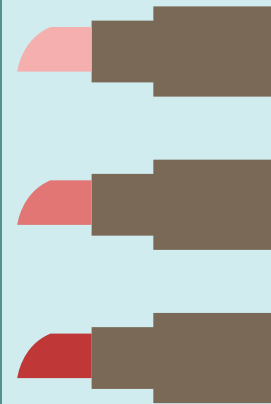
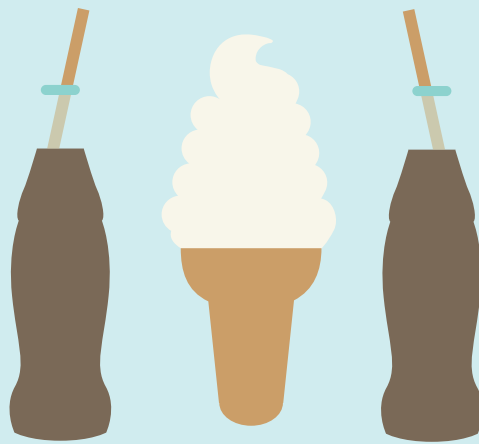
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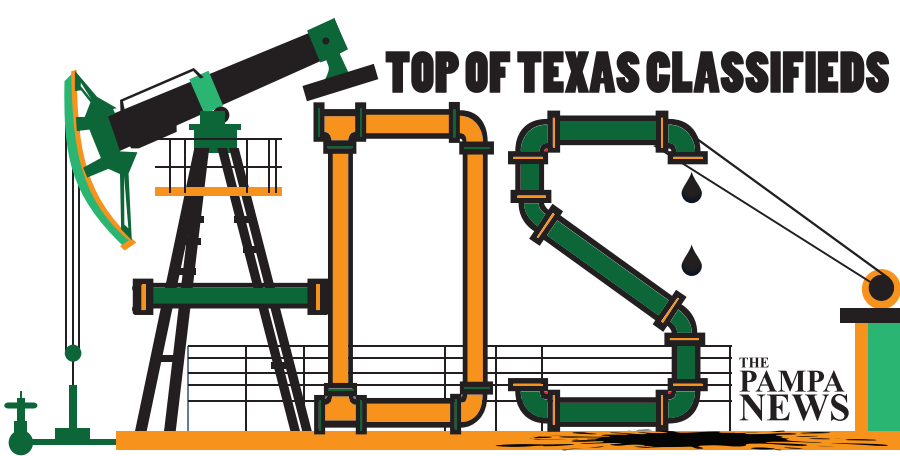
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## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: For years, my wife and I were RV enthusiasts. We have a son who was envious about our lifestyle and expressed a desire to own an RV and travel the highways. When we decided to give up the practice, we gave our travel trailer to him as a gift.

The trailer has been sitting on his property for more than a year now and has never been moved. He has kept the license and insurance fees current. He recently told us he has changed his mind and is no longer interested in traveling with it. He has offered it back to us.

We have decided to sell it and wonder what, if any, moral obligation we have to share the proceeds of the sale with our son. Your thoughts? — HOMEBOUND OUT WEST

DEAR HOMEBOUND: You gave your son the RV as a gift; he is returning it to you instead of selling it himself. While I think it would be generous of you to split the proceeds with your son, I don't think there is any moral imperative that you must.

DEAR ABBY: My wife of 17 years just told me out of the blue that she doesn't love me anymore and hasn't for some time. To say that this came as a shock is an understatement. We've had our disagreements, but we always worked through them, or so I thought.

Because she has felt this way for some time

now, she has hardly shed a tear. For me, my heart is broken. I feel lost, confused, angry, depressed and I can't stop crying.

I wish I could die, but we have children and I know I can't leave them. We made a pact years ago that if we ever fell out of love we'd stay together for the kids until they were grown. Now I don't know if it was a lie or if she'll keep her promise.

I'm writing this at midnight, crying in the dark and alone. I still love her and my heart breaks every time I think about it. Please tell me what to do. — DEVASTATED IN TEMPE, ARIZ.

DEAR DEVASTATED: I am sorry for the pain you are feeling. What you must do now is pull yourself together and find out from your wife when it was that

the two of you stopped communicating honestly with each other — because it seems your paths diverged some time ago. She owes you honest answers, and you need to hear them.

After that, you may have to decide whether you still WANT her to honor that long-ago promise to stay together until your children are adults. You might find it helpful to stage some of these conversations in the office of a licensed marriage and family counselor. Having a mediator present could make it easier for both of you. While I can't promise counseling will save your marriage, it may provide you with the emotional support you will need in the weeks and months ahead.

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# For United States and Europe, divisions over Russia penalties

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States and Europe are seeking to maintain a united front against Russia with coordinated announcements of new economic sanctions, but divisions persist over how aggressive the West should be in punishing Moscow for its threatening moves in Ukraine.

The penalties announced by the White House on Wednesday were broad in scope, targeting two major Russian energy firms, a pair of powerful financial institutions, eight weapons makers and four individuals.

Leaders in Europe, which has a far deeper economic relationship with Russia than the U.S., were more restrained, ordering investment and development banks on the continent to suspend

financing agreements with Moscow. They also asked EU foreign ministers to consider targeting people or companies involved in the unrest in Ukraine — a decision that could affect Russian oligarchs or members of the Kremlin inner circle.

Even the U.S. penalties stopped short of the most stringent actions the West has threatened, which would entail fully cutting off key sectors of Russia's economy. But officials said those steps were still on the table if Russia fails to abide by the West's demands to stop supporting pro-Russian insurgents who have destabilized swathes of eastern Ukraine.

"What we are expecting is that the Russian leadership will see once again that its actions in Ukraine have consequences, including a weakening Russian economy and increasing diplomatic isolation," President Barack Obama said as he announced the U.S. penalties from the White House.

Russian President Vladimir Putin, sounding unperturbed, said the U.S. was only hurting itself by putting American companies that want

to operate in Russia at a competitive disadvantage.

At a news conference in Brazil, Putin said through a translator, "They are undermining the positions of their energy companies."

"They made one mistake, and now they insist on making another one," he said.

Until now, the U.S. and Europe have limited their sanctions on Europe to travel bans and asset freezes aimed at individuals and entities, including some with close ties to Putin. But those measures have done little to change Putin's calculus, with the Pentagon announcing Wednesday that Russian troops were again massing along the border with Ukraine. In Ukraine itself, pro-Russian rebels in the east have lost much ground but now seem to be hunkering down for what could be extended urban warfare.

Ukraine and the West have accused Russia of fomenting the insurgency by sending troops and weapons across its border with the former Soviet republic, something Moscow denies. The insurgency was sparked by Russia's annexation of the Crimean

Peninsula from Ukraine earlier this year.

While Obama has put a premium on responding to the provocations in coordination with Europe, the White House has grown increasingly frustrated with the continent's reluctance to impose sanctions on Russian economic sectors. EU leaders fear such penalties could have negative impacts on their own economies, given their close financial relationships with Russia.

U.S. officials summoned European diplomats to the White House on Monday to discuss the matter and warn that Obama was prepared to take unilateral action if the EU did not take stronger measures during a meeting in Brussels on Wednesday.

After meeting late into the night, the EU said it was asking the European Investment Bank to sign no new financing agreements with Moscow. The EU also agreed to suspend financing of the new European Bank for Reconstruction and Development operations in Russia.

European leaders also signaled for the first time their willingness to go after Russian companies "that are materially or financially supporting or

threatening Ukraine's sovereignty, territorial integrity and independence."

They ordered their foreign ministers to draw up a list of such people or entities by the end of the month.

Lithuanian President Dalia Grybauskaitė, whose nation borders Russia, said the EU had to get tougher with Moscow "because if Putin's aggressive policy isn't stopped, he will go further."

The targets of the U.S. sanctions include two major Russian energy firms: Novatek, the country's largest independent natural gas producer; and Rosneft, Russia's largest petroleum company and third-largest natural gas producer. The penalties bar both from getting long-term loans from U.S. entities.

Also targeted were leading Russian financial institutions, the Russian development bank VEB and Gazprombank, the banking arm of Russia's state energy behemoth Gazprom. The sanctions restrict their ability to access U.S. capital markets.

Steven Pifer, the former U.S. ambassador to Ukraine, said the American sanctions will add uncertainty to a Russian economy that has already

been showing signs of weakness.

"These are serious sanctions. They target major Russian energy companies and financial institutions," said Pifer, who currently works as an analyst at the Brookings Institution in Washington.

The sanctions were welcomed with muted praise from some Republicans on Capitol Hill, who have contended that Obama's warnings of tougher action have been little more than empty threats.

"While the delay in imposing real costs on Russia has been damaging to U.S. credibility, today's announcement by the administration is definitely a step in the right direction," said Tennessee Sen. Bob Corker, the top Republican on the Foreign Relations Committee.

Also included on Wednesday's sanctions list were four individuals: Putin adviser Igor Shchegolev, Russian State Duma Deputy Speaker Sergei Neverov, Ukrainian separatist leader Aleksandr Borodai and Sergey Beseda, an official with Russia's Federal Security Service, the intelligence agency that replaced the KGB after the collapse of the Soviet Union.

# North Texas storms blamed for rain, travel delays

DALLAS (AP) — Storms dumped nearly a foot of rain in parts of North Texas and delayed air and highway travel Thursday.

The National Weather Service issued a flash flood watch through Friday afternoon for the Dallas-Fort Worth area and points north, including Denton, Gainesville, Sherman and Denison.

"We've got high rain chances really all over North and Central Texas," weather service forecaster Jason Dunn in Fort Worth said.

The town of Valley View, about 50 miles northwest of Dallas, received almost 11 inches of rain during a 24-hour period ending Thursday morning, Dunn said, while Denton had about

3.3 inches of rain since midnight Wednesday.

He warned drivers to avoid high water over roadways. "We always seem to have those things happen and it never works out for the good," Dunn said.

The Cooke County Sheriff's Office had no immediate reports of injuries or damage from the storm that had swamped

some roads.

Parts of Interstate 35 in Denton and Cooke counties were closed for several hours during heavy rain but had reopened by 8 a.m. Thursday, said Michelle Releford, a spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Transportation in Mesquite.

David Magana, a spokesman for Dallas-

Fort Worth International Airport, said about 200 flights were canceled and others delays because of thunderstorms, lightning and light rain, but flight operations had returned to normal by midmorning Thursday.

Electric provider Oncor reported about 3,000 homes and businesses, mainly in the Dallas-Fort Worth area,

lost power Thursday.

Farther south, four people were hurt by an apparent lightning strike Wednesday afternoon in Houston, according to the Houston Fire Department. The victims were working on the foundation of a house when lightning also struck a nearby tree, officials said.

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## Rangers

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win after his last debacle? If he doesn't improve quick he could find himself DFA'd like Joe Saunders was a few weeks back. Stroman has been only a decent starter but he is really good at home. I think the Jays blow Texas out in this one. **Prediction: Blue Jays 10, Rangers 4.**

If those go as planned then Nick Tepesch (3-5, 4.31 ERA) battles Mark Buehrle (10-6, 2.64 ERA) in a rubber match on Sunday. Buehrle has been consistent all year giving up four runs or less each outing. Tepesch on the other hand has been bipolar. I am rolling with consistency in this one. **Prediction: Blue Jays 4, Rangers 2.**

We will start our first week of prospect watch

with the No. 1 prospect for the Rangers according to MLB.com and that is Jorge Alfaro.

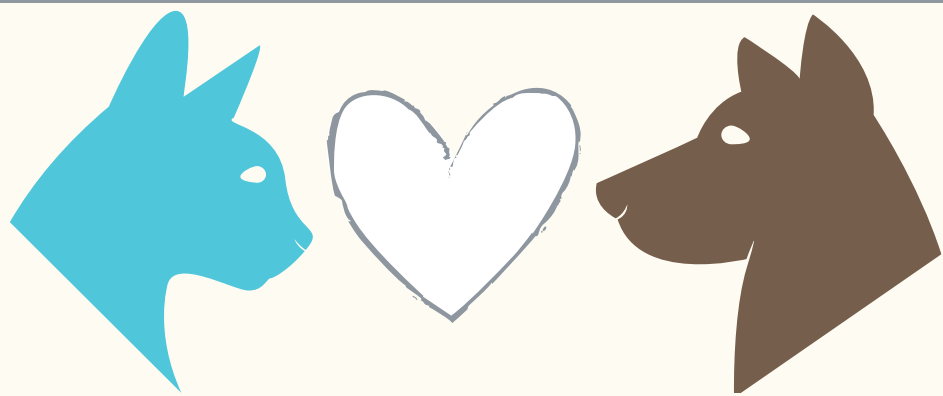
Alfaro is a catcher that plays for the Class A-Advanced league Myrtle Beach Pelicans. His estimated call-up date is sometime in 2016. Injuries limited him to only 29 games in 2012. He is a converted infielder and has only been catching full time for a few years so he is raw defensively. Some scouts say he has the strongest arm of any minor league catcher and is remarkably athletic. They also say he has solid raw power and began to tap into it more in 2013. The Rangers will look for him to try and cut down on his strikeouts as he progresses through the minor league ranks. He has decent speed and is aggressive on the basepaths. Scouts say that if he can refine some of his raw tools then he has tremendous upside.

He has played in 85 games this season and is batting .257 with 10 HRs, 62 RBIs and five stolen bases. He has struck out in 89 of his 334 at-bats which is almost one in every four times. So unfortunately this season looks like he is not progressing much. We will continue to watch him and other prospects and let you know how they progress.

Here is a recap of the AL West standings as we begin the second half of the season.

Oakland is in first at 59-36. Los Angeles is in second at 57-37. Seattle is in third at 51-44. Houston is in fourth at 40-56. Texas is in last at 38-57.

Let's hope the Rangers can start stringing together a winning streak on this half of the break. Also let's hope if they decide to make some trades they get some healthy prospects to use for next season.



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## FIFA Rankings

ZURICH (AP) — Germany climbed to No. 1 in the FIFA rankings Thursday after winning the World Cup, and the United States fell two places to 15th despite reaching the round of 16.

Germany beat Argentina 1-0 on Sunday to win its fourth World Cup and first in 24 years. It replaced deposed champion Spain at the top of the monthly FIFA rankings.

Argentina jumped three places to the No. 2 ranking and the Netherlands soared 12 spots to No. 3 after beating host Brazil in the third-place game.

The Americans, who lost to Belgium in their first knockout game, were overtaken in the rankings by the Dutch, Chile and France.

Colombia reached the quarterfinals and is now ranked fourth.

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## Tiger Woods starts British Open with 3-under 69

HOYLAKE, England (AP) — Tiger Woods is back at the majors.

Seems like he was never away.

After a shaky start to the British Open, Woods ripped through Royal Liverpool on Thursday much like he did eight years ago, when he won the claret jug for the third time. A 30-foot birdie from the fringe of the 11th green got him going. Four more birdies in the next five holes carried Woods to a 3-under 69, leaving him just three shots behind Rory McIlroy.

Not bad for a guy playing his first major of the year, who went months without being able to swing a club after back surgery.

"I'm only going to get better," Woods said. "I'm getting stronger, I'm getting faster, I'm getting more explosive. The ball is starting to travel again. And those are all positive things."

For McIlroy, it was another blistering start.

The question now: Can he keep it going? McIlroy took advantage of the prime scoring conditions more than anyone, a 66 putting him in the familiar position of first-round leader. He has played the opening round in a cumulative 55-under par this year, including three 63s and a course-record 64 at last week's Scottish Open.

But McIlroy failed to win any of those events, largely because of what he calls his "second-round thing," an acknowledged mental block that he's struggling to overcome.

His total score on Fridays — 15 over.

"Maybe it's having higher expectations going out on a Friday because you shot a low round," said McIlroy, whose goal now is "to put those expectations aside."

Woods, who has been stuck on 14 major titles for more than six years, is just happy to be playing after March 31 surgery kept him out of the Masters and the U.S. Open.

He bogeyed the first two holes on a mild, sunny day with only a hint of a breeze rippling the flags. Down the stretch, he looked more like the player who went 18 under the last time golf's oldest major was held at this course along the Irish Sea.

"I felt good about a lot of things I did out there," said Woods, who played the back nine in 4-under 33.

"Especially coming back after that start I had today, to fight myself back into the championship. I feel pretty good about it."

The conditions were a far cry from 2006, when he won on dry, fiery course that made the grass more brown than green. This time, Royal Liverpool was lush and rela-

tively soft after intermittent rain on Wednesday.

Matteo Manassero made only one bogey and also shot 33 after the turn, taking advantage of a quirk in the course which puts three par-5s in the closing nine. He birdied them all for a 67.

He wasn't the only Ital-

ian in the thick of things. Brothers Edoardo and Francesco Molinari opened with matching 68s.

"I saw the leaderboard," said Francesco, the younger of the siblings. "But it's a tough course, so you have to focus on what you are doing rather than the others are doing — even if it's your

brother."

Also at 68 were Spain's Sergio Garcia and a pair of Americans, Jim Furyk and Brooks Koepka. Sweden's Robert Karlsson, Marc Leishman of Australia and Japan's Koumei Oda were tied with Woods and Ricky Fowler another shot back.

"I didn't play fantastic, but the course is out there to make some birdies on," said Karlsson, who teed off in the first group of the day at 6:25 a.m.

Defending champion Phil Mickelson and the world's top-ranked player, Adam Scott, had afternoon tee times.

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Assorted Varieties  
**YOPLAIT YOGURT**  
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4.75-10.2 Oz. Pkg.

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- CapriSun** (Assorted Flavors, 10 Pack) ..... **2 For \$4**
- Gain 2x Liquid** (Original or Thai Dragon Fruit Laundry Detergent, 50 Oz.) . **\$4.99**
- Lay's®/Wavy Lay's®** (Reg. \$4.29 Size Potato Chips, 9.5-10 Oz.) ... **2 For \$5**
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**THRIFWAY OR SHURFINE SANDWICH WHEAT BREAD**  
24 Oz.

**99¢**

**SHURFINE ORIGINAL OR MESQUITE CHARCOAL BRIQUETS**  
8.3 Lb.

**\$3.99**

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Family Pack Bone In  
**SIRLOIN CUT PORK CHOPS**

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**\$5.99 LB.**

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**Wild Caught Pollock Fillets** (Product of China) ..... Lb. **\$1.59**

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Jumbo Pack  
**PILGRIM'S LEG QUARTERS**

**88¢ LB.**

## Bethel Returns

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Texas Tech has reinstated a highly regarded defensive back from Miami who last month broke the jaw of a Lady Raiders basketball player.

Tech athletics spokesman Blayne Beal said Wednesday that Nigel Bethel II will return to the team, but will sit out the first three games of his first season.

Bethel punched Amber Battle her during a June 28 pickup basketball game at the campus recreation center and was dismissed from the football program the next day. However, Lubbock County grand jurors declined to indict Bethel on an aggravated assault charge Tuesday.

Coach Kliff Kingsbury said as more information on the incident came to light, the decision to dismiss Bethel was revisited.

Battle, who has acknowledged shoving Bethel first, will sit out games in November

**DAIRY / FROZEN SPECIALS**

Select Varieties  
**BOMB POP**  
12 Pack

**2 FOR \$4**

**SHURFINE COTTAGE CHEESE**  
12 Oz. Tub

**2 FOR \$3**

- Shurfine Mini Corn on the Cob** ..... 12 Ct. **\$2.99**
- Shurfine Dips** (Assorted Flavors) ..... 12 Oz. **2 For \$3**
- Shurfine Sour Cream** ..... 16 Oz. **2 For \$3**
- Smooth or Tangy SunnyD** ..... 64 Oz. **99¢**
- Kraft Philadelphia Cream Cheese** (Orig. or 1/3 Less Fat) 8 Oz. **2 For \$4**
- Kraft Sharp or Swiss Velveeta Singles** (Orig. or Queso Blanco) . 12 Oz. **\$2.99**
- Soft Spread Parkay** ..... 41 Oz. **\$3.49**

**PRODUCE SPECIALS**

Northwest  
**RED CHERRIES**

**\$1.49 LB.**

Fresh Spicy Hot  
**JALAPEÑO PEPPERS**

**79¢ LB.**

- Fresh Grapes** (Red Globe Seeded; Red or Green Seedless) . Lb. **99¢**
- Watermelons** (Seedless Whole) ..... Each **\$3.99**
- Roma Tomatoes** (Large) ..... **Lb. 79¢**
- Peaches and Nectarines** (Yellow Flesh) ..... **2 Lbs. \$4**
- Apricots** (Black Velvet) ..... **Lb. \$3.99**
- Avocados** (Large) ..... **3 For \$5**
- Sweet Potatoes** (Fresh) ..... **Lb. 99¢**

**BEER SPECIALS**

**BUD/BUD LIGHT**  
18pk Cans/LNNR

**\$15.99**

**COORS/COORS LIGHT**  
18pk Cans/LNNR

**\$15.99**

**MILLER LITE**  
18pk Cans/Bottles

**\$15.99**

**MICHELOB ULTRA**  
18pk Cans/LNNR

**\$16.99**

**REDD'S APPLE/STRAWBERRY ALE**  
6pk LNNR

**\$7.49**

**TECATE**  
18 Pk Cans/Bottles

**\$15.99**