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Few options for hurricane survivors

A city's desperate hunt for cell phones

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PANAMA CITY BEACH – Two days after the storm, an exhausted City Manager Mario Gisbert slumped in the seat of his parked Ford F-150 truck, awaiting the help of a total stranger to save his city from chaos.

It was near midnight on Saturday, Oct. 13. While this beachfront tourist community had miraculously avoided the destruction that Hurricane Michael had wreaked on eastern Bay County, the city's first responders were grappling with a total breakdown in communications.

Most of their landline phones, computer wi-fi connections, cell phones and FM radios were off the grid. By Thursday morning, Gisbert said, "We were sending paper messages to other buildings ... we did not have any communications."

In event of a post-hurricane emergency, Gisbert said, his police and firefighters would have struggled to carry out an effective response.

Initially, the situation did not appear as serious as it turned out to be, Gilbert said. As the storm raged outside on Wednesday, Oct. 10, his Verizon cell phone continued to work, and the city's computer system remained intact. But as the storm moved on, first the cell phones and then even the city's FM radios fell silent.

Then the next morning, Gilbert learned that Mayor Mike Thomas and Councilman Hector Solis still had service on their personal AT&T cell phones. He dispatched Planning Board Chairman Mark Sheldon to the Pier Park Wal-Mart, where manager Jennifer Ross was able to provide ten "burner" phones that were handed out to key first responders. It was a start, but far from enough.

On Saturday, Gisbert called Dennis Langston, a friend of his in the Destin area, who spent the day searching for available cell phones. Langston was finally able to reach the Mary Esther AT&T store, where the assistant manager at 5 p.m. tracked down Christina Proctor, a 32-year-old regional sales manager.

A supervisor of six AT&T stores and a dozen authorized dealers in the Florida Panhandle, Proctor was driving to the store in Dothan, Alabama, delivering a shipment of basic "prepaid" cell phones, when she learned of the dire situation in Panama City Beach.

"We were very fortunate where we are" after the storm, Proctor told The News Herald in a telephone interview on Friday. "We wanted to do anything we

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Shawn Hewitt in Panama City Beach on Wednesday, October 24, 2018. While he has applied for FEMA housing vouchers and is staying at a hotel with FEMA vouchers available, he is paying cash. [JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD]

Eileen Kelley
Gatehouse Media

"I don't have the heart to say no. I know the situation they are in."

Nikki Rupp

PANAMA CITY BEACH – A child rides his bike about 40 feet, turns and gives a few more pushes before it's time to turn around again. He does this over and over, zipping past an open doorway where a man sleeps inside one of a motel's run-down units. The bed's box spring is directly on the floor. A mattress is turned upright.

Many rooms here brim with bulging garbage bags and Rubbermaid storage

bins, holding the remnants of what was left after Hurricane Michael ravaged homes and upended lives Oct. 10.

By a door in one room is a part of a car engine. For many in this post-hurricane world, what's not broken, discolored in black mold or under rubble, suddenly seems irreplaceable and of value.

So many now have so little.

About half the rooms at the 18-unit Sun-N-Sands Motel – a place where in the past online Expedia reviewers urged others to stay away – are occupied by Hurricane Michael survivors.

The Federal Emergency Management Association is paying the tab for the

emergency housing at this and other available hotels and motels.

Before the storm, the motel was for the most part transitional housing for the area's poor and disenfranchised.

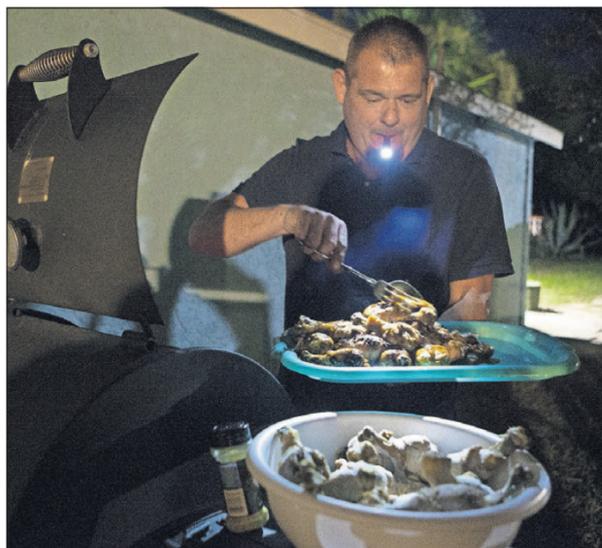
Now it very much is. Places like this are often referred to as homeless hotels or drug dens.

But post-Michael, instead of chaos, there is gratitude by those displaced by the storm: Gratitude at the motel's management who

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Michelle Patrick in Panama City Beach on Wednesday, October 24, 2018. She is one of the few people to receive a housing voucher for a hotel in Bay County.



Jason Mann makes dinner for residents at the hotel he manages on Wednesday, October 24, 2018. FEMA is not reimbursing him for the meals he makes for evacuees.

Migrants nix offer to stay in Mexico, continue trek to US

By Christopher Sherman
The Associated Press

ARRIAGA, Mexico — More than a hundred Mexican federal officers carrying plastic shields abandoned a blockade they had formed on a bridge Saturday, allowing a caravan of thousands of Central American migrants to advance toward the United States.

The officers ended the standoff after representatives from Mexico's National Human Rights Commission told police that a rural stretch of highway without shade, toilets or water was no place for migrants to entertain offers of asylum in Mexico. Police boarded buses and headed further down the highway, while migrants cheered and vowed to trek all the way to the U.S. border.

Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto launched a program on Friday dubbed "You are home," which promises shelter, medical attention, schooling and jobs to Central Americans who agree to stay in the southern Mexico states of Chiapas or Oaxaca.

Police commissioner Benjamin Grajeda said that authorities only blocked the highway Saturday to tell people about the government's offer. "Here in this truck right now you can get help," he said.

Thousands of migrants in the city of Arriaga rejected the plan Friday night, but said they could be willing to discuss it again once they reach Mexico City. Some fear they will be deported if they take advantage of the program.

The caravan is now trying to strike out for Tapanatepec, about 29 miles up the road.

Orbelina Orellana, a migrant from San Pedro Sula, Honduras, said she and her husband left three children behind and had decided to continue north one way or another.

"Our destiny is to get to the border," she said.

She was suspicious of the government's proposal and said that some Hondurans who had applied for legal status had already been sent back. Her claims could not be verified, but migrants' representatives in the talks asked the Mexican government to provide a list of those who had been forced to return.

Mexico's Interior Ministry said that temporary identity numbers have been issued to 111 migrants under the "You are home" program. The IDs, called CURPs, authorize the migrants to stay and work in Mexico, and the ministry said pregnant women, children and the elderly were among the migrants who had joined the program and are now being attended to at shelters.



Migrants, who are part of a caravan of Central American migrants slowly makes its way toward the U.S. border, rest on the rails in Arriaga, Mexico, Friday, Oct. 26, 2018. Many migrants said they felt safer traveling and sleeping with several thousand strangers in unknown towns than hiring a smuggler or trying to make the trip alone. [AP PHOTO/RODRIGO ABD]

The government appears to want to shrink the caravan by keeping smaller groups of migrants from joining, while simultaneously hoping that the grueling journey will make its offer of refuge more attractive.

Police have been ejecting migrant passengers off buses in recent days and cracking down on smaller groups trying to catch up with the main caravan. An official with the national immigration authority said Friday that 300 Hondurans and Guatemalans who crossed the Mexico border illegally had

been detained.

Migrants, who enter Mexico illegally every day, usually ride in smugglers' trucks or buses, or walk at night to avoid detection. The fact that the group of about 300 stragglers was walking in broad daylight suggests they were adopting the tactics of the main caravan, which is large enough to be out in the open without fear of mass detention.

The caravan still must travel 1,000 miles to reach the nearest U.S. border crossing at McAllen, Texas. But the trip could be twice as long if the group of

some 4,000 migrants heads for the Tijuana-San Diego frontier, as another caravan did earlier this year. Only about 200 in that group made it to the border.

While such migrant caravans have taken place regularly over the years, passing largely unnoticed, they received widespread attention this time after fierce opposition from U.S. President Donald Trump.

On Friday, the Pentagon approved a request for additional troops at the southern border, likely to total several hundred, to help the U.S. Border Patrol as the president seeks to transform concerns about immigration and the caravan into electoral gains in the Nov. 6 midterms.

Defense Secretary Jim Mattis signed off on the request for help from the Department of Homeland Security and authorized the military staff to work out details such as the size, composition and estimated cost of the deployments, according to a U.S. official who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss planning that has not yet been publicly announced.

Stoking fears about the caravan and illegal immigration to rally his Republican base, Trump insinuated that gang members and "Middle Easterners" are mixed in with the group, though he later acknowledged there was no proof of that.

PCB Council interested in FirstNet System

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PANAMA CITY BEACH — It wasn't a difficult sales pitch.

Sixteen days after Hurricane Michael knocked out the city's telephone service and most emergency response communications, Panama City Beach City Council members on Thursday were all ears as a senior consultant for the telecommunications giant AT&T briefed them about the new nationwide broadband network dedicated to public safety organizations and first responders.

A public-private partnership between the federal government and AT&T since 2017, the FirstNet system comprises a secure

and expandable information pipeline that can ensure reliable voice, data and video transmissions by member organizations, said Daryl D. Wise, a senior consultant to the network based in Pensacola.

Referring to Hurricane Michael, Wise told the council members, "We were operational before, during and after the storm."

The heart of FirstNet is an expandable cellular pipeline akin to a multi-lane highway, Wise explained. In a major emergency, system operators can expand the bandwidth used by first responders by imposing limits on non-emergency, commercial and private users.

"If a crisis worsens, commercial traffic will be knocked off the system" in favor of

police, fire and other emergency responders, he said.

The system's flexibility also allows access for "extended primary" users such as road repair crews or public works agencies subsequently called in to effect recovery from a storm or disaster. The concept of "priority and pre-emption" will ensure that emergency responders retain secure broadband communications in the most dire of circumstances, he added.

In addition to the permanent cellular network, FirstNet will have access to mobile SAT/COLT (for "Satellite Cellular on Light Trucks") and even a SAT/COW (for "Satellite Cellular on Wings," a dedicated drone), both of which can restore temporary communications in areas where normal

service has failed, Wise said.

For municipalities who contract with AT&T for their communications program, FirstNet will be provided at "no additional charge," he said.

While FirstNet got off to a rocky start after its creation in 2012 with a \$7 billion congressional authorization — one critic writing in The Atlantic magazine in 2016 said it deserved "the prize for the most wasteful post-9/11 initiative," Wise told the Council that significant progress has been achieved since AT&T formally became the government's partner. More than 3,600 federal, state, local and tribal public safety organizations have now joined FirstNet, a 50 percent increase in just the last six months.

"FirstNet is already reliably supporting public safety's response of emergency and everyday situations," said AT&T spokeswoman Karen McAllister. "A locality like Panama City Beach can join now."

"You've done a good job for us and we appreciate it," Mayor Mike Thomas told Wise, referring to the company's assistance in providing AT&T cell phones to the city staff. "We're fixing to look at all of our communications (and) to start a process to make sure this doesn't happen again."

Verizon is also making efforts to increase their standing after their services failed during and after the storm. They have now committed to building a faster 5G network in the area.

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could. Everybody we called dropped everything and said 'What can we do?'"

Calling colleagues in Pensacola and Pace, as well as Foley and Daphne in Alabama, by 8 p.m. on Saturday Proctor had rounded up 65 high-end "demonstration" cell phones that had the capability of meeting the Beach first responders' voice and data needs, at the Mary Esther store. Her ad hoc team of ten employees, working in three different locations, set out to activate the phones using the AT&T network.

They completed the task in three hours, and Proctor called Gisbert.

"We're on our way," she said.

At 12:20 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 14, Gilbert started awake in his truck when a set of headlights flickered in the dark as a vehicle turned off Panama City Beach Parkway into the Police Department parking lot. Proctor stepped out of an AT&T car with co-workers Chris Lucas and Shane Willey, and the trio started carrying boxes of activated cell phones into the building.

Without ceremony, Police Chief Drew Whitman's night staff began logging them in and issuing them to on-duty police officers and

firefighters. The team would deliver another 60 phones and 30 active sim cards to Beach officials over the next few days.

AT&T officials — like other responders working the storm ravaged Florida Panhandle — say their work to date has achieved positive results, but much more still needs to be done. AT&T supervisor Daryl Wise, a senior consultant with the public-private FirstNet nationwide emergency broadband system — a public-private partnership between AT&T and the federal government — told the Panama City Beach City Council on Thursday the company will keep more than 150 workers on site in the Panhandle repairing the cell system "until it's

fixed."

Wise noted that a number of advanced technologies already developed by AT&T for the FirstNet system are being used in the area, including a SAT/COLT (for "satellite cell on a light truck") system that can transmit cellular calls from a blacked-out area directly to an orbiting satellite. Another innovation called SAT/COW (for "satellite cellular on wings"), comprises a large drone that can lift a cell phone cable and transmitter high enough off the ground to connect with functioning cell tower in the areas. The latter has been used to provide temporary cell service in Mexico Beach, he said.

Members of the Beach Council expressed keen

interest in the FirstNet concept, but were even more enthusiastic over the improvised and near-spontaneous response by the local AT&T staff in the immediate aftermath of Hurricane Michael.

Addressing the City Council on Thursday, Oct. 24, Gisbert was unsparing in his praise for Crocker and her fellow AT&T workers: "Without those phones, our communications desk could not have functioned," Gisbert said. "It was massive what they did in our hour of need."

Several minutes later, Wise escorted a young woman into the Council Chambers and introduced Christina Proctor to the council members and senior city staff. Their ovation went on for a long time.

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US: 'Everything on table' to block caravan

By **Elliot Spagat and Jill Colvin**
The Associated Press

CALEXICO, California — Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen said Friday that "everything is on the table" as the administration considered new measures to stifle immigration at the U.S.-Mexico border and send a message that a slow-moving migrant caravan bound for the United States will not be welcome.

"We are looking at every possible way within the legal construct that we have to make sure that those who don't have legal right to come to this country do not come in," Nielsen said. The caravan of migrants heading north through Mexico by foot is about 1,000 miles away and dwindling in numbers.

Nielsen spoke after the Pentagon approved a request for additional troops at the southern border, likely to total several hundred to help the U.S. Border Patrol. She made the comments during a visit to Southern California, where she toured the first completed section of President Donald

Trump's 30-foot border wall in the El Centro Sector.

President Donald Trump, meanwhile, reiterated that the country needs "a strong, beautiful border."

"It's a big caravan," Trump told a gathering of young black conservative leaders at the White House.

"I called up the military. We're not letting them in, they ought to go back now because we're not."

One of the plans under discussion would use the same mechanism as Trump's controversial travel ban to block migrants from seeking asylum in the U.S., according to two people familiar with the discussion. They spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss the idea, which they stressed was still in the early planning stages and had yet to be decided.

Defense Secretary Jim Mattis has signed off on a request for help from the Department of Homeland Security and authorized the military staff to work out details such as the size, composition and estimated cost of the deployments, according to a U.S. official.

Mattis, who is traveling in the Middle East, is expected



In this Oct. 23 photo, people seeking asylum in the United States wait to receive a number at the border in Tijuana, Mexico.

[GREGORY BULL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

to approve the actual deployments after all the details are ironed out, according to the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss planning that has not yet been completed or publicly announced.

In a brief written statement the Pentagon gave several examples of assistance they would provide. These include barricades and fencing; helicopters and airplanes to move Border Patrol personnel, and medical teams to triage and

treat patients and prepare them for commercial transport. It also will provide personal protective gear and temporary housing for Border Patrol personnel.

During her visit to the border, Nielsen told reporters, "Let me be clear, walls work." She cited a decrease in those trying to cross in the area due to more formidable border wall infrastructure, more manpower and technology.

The president has stepped his focus on illegal immigration in

the days leading up to the Nov. 6 elections that will determine which party controls Congress.

Asked whether the administration was seeking to ban certain people from entering the country or sealing the southern border completely, Nielsen said "everything is on the table."

Any attempt by Trump to curtail the rights of migrants to seek asylum is bound to draw legal challenge. But Trump has pledged that he will not allow the migrants to cross into the U.S. illegally, describing the situation as a national emergency.

Andrea Guerrero, executive director of Alliance San Diego, said it would be "a very drastic action that would have disastrous practical implications for our asylum obligations, for our moral and legal obligations."

"We know that civil rights attorneys are preparing to litigate right now," she said. "They're preparing to litigate right away. I don't know if (Trump) cares if he wins the litigation. He wants to score political points... it's all part of the same political ploy to stoke fear for political reasons and build more walls."

Melania Trump not interested in going on campaign trail

By **Emily Heil**
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — While much of the White House is obsessed with the midterm elections, Melania Trump is taking a pass on the campaign trail.

In the weeks leading up to the consequential elections, the first lady is spending her time visiting infants in a neonatal ward in Philadelphia, hosting schoolchildren at the White House for a movie screening and preparing for the holiday season.

Meanwhile, President Donald Trump is in full-throttle campaign mode, presiding over raucous rallies, tweeting his support for candidates and referring to Democrats as a "mob."

First ladies have been not-so-secret weapons in previous midterm elections. And Melania Trump's immediate predecessors attended fundraisers to help fill their party's coffers and worked to get-out-the vote even when their husband's names weren't on the ballot.

So why isn't Trump - who is more popular than her husband - offering words of support at rallies or standing beside congressional candidates?

"Due to her schedule as a mother and first lady, especially with the holidays coming up, there are no plans

for her to campaign at this time," her spokeswoman, Stephanie Grisham, said in an email.

Former White House press secretary Sean Spicer said potential demand for FLOTUS on the trail would be high - "if she was willing. The list would be endless."

That's the view both parties have traditionally taken of the first lady, whose position typically affords her high visibility, public approval, and a role as the rare White House surrogate who can remain above the political mire of the day.

"First ladies are too valuable not to be recognized and used as scarce resources," said MaryAnne Borrelli, a government professor at Connecticut College and the author of "The Politics of the President's Wife." "Their messaging, their fundraising has proven of extraordinary value to the president."

But Melania Trump's decision to stay out of the midterms isn't surprising to some.

She isn't a natural campaigner, and her role in her husband's 2016 campaign was more limited than that of other candidates' spouses. She has seemed nervous when delivering public remarks, unlike her husband, who relishes the attention of chanting crowds and reporters with outstretched microphones.



President Donald Trump and first lady Melania Trump are seen Wednesday in the White House in Washington.

[JABIN BOTSFORD/THE WASHINGTON POST]

Eleven donors plowed \$1B into super PACs since 2010

By **Michelle Ye Hee Lee**
The Washington Post

Since 2010 11 donors plowed \$1 billion into super PACs, the big-money entities that have given wealthy contributors a powerful way to influence elections.

The list of donors - a bipartisan collection of hedge fund billionaires, entrepreneurs, media magnates and a casino mogul - together contributed more than one-fifth of the \$4.5 billion collected by super PACs since their inception in 2010, according to a Washington Post analysis of data from the Federal Election Commission and the nonpartisan Center for Responsive Politics.

The 11 biggest super PAC donors include five Republicans, five Democrats and former New York mayor Michael Bloomberg, who previously had declared himself a political independent and this month registered as a Democrat.

The intense concentration of money shows how a tiny group of super-rich individuals has embraced these political groups, which have emerged as indispensable allies of candidates and political parties since the landmark Supreme Court Citizens United decision in 2010. That ruling helped give rise to super PACs, which are allowed to raise and spend unlimited amounts of money on political activity.

The massive sums coming from just a handful of donors illustrate how candidates and parties are now dependent on billionaires to support their efforts - and demonstrate the successful circumvention of efforts to curtail big money in politics that followed the Watergate and 1996 DNC fundraising scandals.

"The big donor is not just a donor who gives to politicians and parties. The big donor has become a political actor in his own right," said Robert E. Mutch, a campaign finance historian.

Indeed, many of the top 11 super PAC givers since 2010 are now well-known protagonists in U.S.



In this Feb. 21, 2017, photo, billionaire Sheldon Adelson, chairman and chief executive officer of Las Vegas Sands Corp., speaks during an event in Tokyo. [KIYOSHI OTA/BOOMBERG]

politics. Billionaire hedge fund founder George Soros (#10) was among a dozen critics of President Donald Trump targeted with explosive devices this week. And Bloomberg (#3) and Democratic hedge fund founder Tom Steyer (#2) are viewed as positioning themselves for possible presidential runs.

Big money has continued to balloon in this year's midterms, even amid a surge of small-dollar donations. In some races, huge super PAC contributions are bolstering candidates who are touting their grass-roots support. For example, Katie Hill, a first-time Democratic candidate in California's 25th Congressional District and one of the most successful fundraisers this election, is also being buoyed by \$4.5 million in ads in the final stretch of the campaign, thanks to Independence USA, Bloomberg's super PAC.

The largest super PAC contributors to date are casino mogul Sheldon Adelson and his physician wife, Miriam, who have given \$287 million to conservative super PACs, records show.

In the 2016 elections, the Adelsons gave nearly \$78 million, including \$20 million to bolster then-GOP nominee Donald Trump, who as president backed a move the couple had long sought: moving the U.S. Embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

So far this cycle, the

Adelsons have given \$112 million to super PACs, largely to the groups working to help the GOP retain control in Congress.

A representative for the Adelsons did not respond to a request for comment.

In second place behind the Adelsons is Steyer, who gave \$213.8 million. He is followed by Bloomberg (\$120.7 million), Democratic media executive Fred Eychaner (\$74.1 million), Democratic hedge fund executive Donald Sussman (\$62.9 million), GOP shipping supplies magnate Richard Uihlein (\$61.3 million), Democratic hedge fund founder James Simons and his wife, Marilyn (\$57.9 million), Republican hedge fund executive Paul Singer (\$42.5 million), GOP hedge fund executive Robert Mercer (\$41.2 million), Soros (\$39.4 million) and Republican backer and TD Ameritrade founder J. Joe Ricketts (\$38.4 million).

Their total giving could be substantially more. While donors to super PACs are disclosed, public filings do not reflect contributions to politically active nonprofits that are not required to reveal their donors.

Super PACs are prohibited from coordinating with campaigns and party committees. But they often act on parallel tracks, and with each election, these groups have found ways to work even more closely with the candidates they are backing.

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SURVIVORS

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care enough to make and serve hot meals for their guests in the evening. Gratitude at the government for emergency assistance.

And there's gratitude at the fortune that they found a motel room, a place with all its blemishes, open for hurricane survivors that is not too far from damaged Panama City and the surrounding cities they called home.

"This is a godsend," said Michelle Patrick, 32, staying at the Sun-N-Sands.

This spot, the place where the little boy burns energy by riding his bike back and forth, is the only motel in all of Bay County that is on FEMA's emergency hotels and motels shelter assistance list.

"Wow," said Shaun Hewitt of the lack of local emergency hotel and motel shelters.

Area hotels that weren't destroyed or badly damaged by Hurricane Michael have been packed with law enforcement first responders, utility workers, insurance adjusters, volunteers who are feeding the displaced, and residents who got out of harm's way ahead of

the storm and now have no home.

Hewitt, 27, his girlfriend and five children are staying at the motel. On occasion, Hewitt said, there have been eight children in the two-bedroom unit. They arrived shortly after the storm.

For now he is paying \$350 a week, he said. He's hoping FEMA takes over the bill for a week or two.

"This sure beats sleeping in a car," said Nikki Rupp, 72, who did that very thing after the hurricane tore half the roof off her home.

Rupp, her husband, Clarence, 75, and their 30-year-old grandson, Cody Rupp, can stay at the motel on FEMA until at least Nov. 7. FEMA officials said they will stay in touch and see if the Rups have lined up any other housing options as Nov. 7 approaches. Should they and others need to stay longer, that will be determined on a case-by-case basis, officials said.

The same goes for the roughly 2,700 people that FEMA is currently providing hotel and motel emergency shelter for.

Nikki Rupp spends a lot of time sitting outside and smoking on the patio of her unit at the Sun-N-Sands. She said there's been a constant stream of cars pulling up asking if there are any vacancies.



Heather Gregg serves dinner to children evacuees at the hotel she manages in Panama City Beach on Wednesday, October 24, 2018. [JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD]

She tells them to check with the management.

"I don't have the heart to say no," she said. "I know the situation they are in."

Sun-N-Sands manager Heather Gregg said she averages 200 calls a day from people trying to find shelter locally. In a span of 30 minutes last week, she missed 18 phone calls.

Currently 476 Florida hotels and motels are on the FEMA list for residents from the hardest-hit three counties — Bay, Gulf and Jackson — to consider evacuating to. But only 21 of these emergency shelters are in Panama City's 850 area code region. After the Sun-N-Sands, the next closest

emergency shelter to the Panama City area is about 60 miles north in Marianna where one hotel is on the list. In this post-hurricane time, 60 miles no longer equates to an hour's drive. Excessive traffic from all the service and emergency workers can make a 20-mile commute a two-plus hour ordeal.

That means getting to and from Destin's two hotels on the list — should they be available — would take a great deal longer than the normal 90-minute commute from Panama City. Crestview, which is 93 miles from Panama City, has one hotel on the FEMA list.

Key West — 793 miles away from Panama City — also has one hotel on

the list.

"We wish there was more options nearby," said David Passey, a FEMA spokesman.

As of late last week, 1,042 hotel and motel rooms have been occupied by people seeking FEMA help for temporary shelter. Some 6,500 households have been authorized to use temporary shelters. The figure of those authorized increases daily as FEMA workers make contact with more people.

While the numbers change daily, it is clear that the majority of those displaced are seeking other options or staying in heavily damaged homes before turning to FEMA's list of emergency hotel and motel shelters.

"We know the available units are not conveniently located, and we know people may not want to go to Pensacola (where there are nine hotels on the FEMA list) or Georgia," Passey said.

The Patel family of Panama City hunkered down in a hotel before the hurricane. Damage to the property kept them from staying. They went home to a house where there were few walls left on the second story. Five family members lived in the two-bedroom duplex.

Riya Patel's father and uncle work at local gas stations. Her mother works at Panama City Mall and she is a college student at Gulf Coast State College. Patel lost her laptop and her college books. They'd like to stay in the area, a place they have called home for six years since arriving from India.

Directly next door is Patel's aunt and uncle's two-bedroom duplex. A single blue tarp covered the roof last week. The roof could use more tarps.

A man comes by and tries to sell the family tarps. Riya Patel misunderstands.

"We are not looking for handouts," she said and thanked him for stopping by.

Patel and her family — all five of them — moved in with her aunt and uncle for the time being.

"We don't have anywhere else to go," she said.

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Turkey seeks extradition of Khashoggi killing suspects



Turkey President Recep Tayyip Erdogan talks to members of his ruling Justice and Development Party, Friday in Ankara, Turkey. [PRESIDENTIAL PRESS SERVICE VIA AP]

By Suzan Fraser and Christopher Torehia
The Associated Press

ANKARA, Turkey — Turkey on Friday intensified its demands for Saudi Arabia to extradite 18 suspects in the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi, a call that is likely to be met with resistance from the kingdom and could escalate tensions between the U.S.-allied regional powers.

Khashoggi's Turkish fiancée, meanwhile, gave

an anguished and tearful TV interview in which she said she keeps asking herself if she had missed some signs and should have prevented him from entering the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul on Oct. 2 — questions that she says she cannot answer.

The Istanbul chief prosecutor's office submitted a request for Saudi Arabia to hand over the suspects in the killing, and the Turkey's Foreign Ministry will formally notify the kingdom, Turkey's state-run

Anadolu news agency reported. The Saudi government has said it arrested and would itself punish 18 people for what it described as a rogue operation by officials who killed Khashoggi in the consulate.

"We expect our request (for the suspects') return to be fulfilled because this atrocious event took place in Turkey," said Turkish Justice Minister Abdulhamit Gul.

Saudi Arabia has returned suspects to Turkey before. The stakes

are much higher in the Khashoggi case, however, as some of those implicated are close to Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, the kingdom's heir apparent whose condemnation of the killing failed to ease suspicions that he was involved.

Turkish prosecutors want the suspects to face prosecution for "premeditated killing executed with fiendish sentiments or by causing torment," according to the Anadolu agency.

"The reasoning behind the extradition request is that Jamal Khashoggi was murdered in Turkey by Saudi nationals who traveled to Turkey for this specific purpose," a senior Turkish official said, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to the media.

Turkey's judicial system is better equipped to serve the cause of justice in this case, the official said, adding: "The court proceedings in Turkey will be open to international observers in order to ensure the greatest level of transparency."

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Pentagon told to trim military spending

By Dan Lamothe
The Washington Post

Deputy Defense Secretary Patrick Shanahan said Friday that the Trump administration has instructed the Pentagon to prepare a \$700 billion budget for 2020 - 4.5 percent less than the \$733 billion that the Defense Department had planned.

The decision means that the Defense Department is not exempt from Trump's call for federal departments to slash spending after a new Treasury Department report that showed a 17 percent rise in the national deficit. Trump said last week that the Pentagon budget would "probably be \$700 billion," but considering his past stated interest in sustaining U.S. "peace through strength," some analysts questioned whether it ultimately would apply to the Defense Department.

But Shanahan, speaking Friday to the Military Reporters and Editors Association, said that Mick Mulvaney, director of the Office of Management and Budget, called Shanahan and did indeed direct the Pentagon to build a \$700 billion budget.

"Here's the assignment," Shanahan said Mulvaney told him. "Let's get to work on it."

The Pentagon is now preparing both a \$700 billion and \$733 billion budget, Shanahan said. The effort sets up a scenario where Congress could examine both, and potentially boost Defense Department spending over Trump's initial proposal.

Trump's call to cut spending comes as defense officials say they are beginning to rebuild and fix the military after years of heavy use in Iraq, Afghanistan and Syria and congressionally mandated budget cuts known as sequestration.



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Cuban breadmakers turn back the clock

Inside the century-old bakery that's one of America's last sources of traditional Cuban bread

By Paul Abercrombie
The Washington Post

TAMPA - It's been said that a time-traveler, even from a generation ago, would find much of our sped-up world shockingly foreign. But I'm pretty sure they weren't talking about Cuban bread.

From where I stand, inside Tampa's La Segunda Central Bakery, about all that's changed in 103 years of making these iconic loaves are the addition (recently) of a few electric gizmos and (even more recently) several women to its baking crew. Which is just fine with bakery co-owner Tony Moré, whose Spanish immigrant grandfather founded the Ybor City bakery, today the world's largest producer of Cuban bread.

"Some changes are good," he says on a walk through his bakery, which also makes all manner of Cuban and non-Cuban pastries, cookies and breads daily. "But we don't skimp on how we make [Cuban bread], or our recipe."

Cuban bread may seem like a baguette with a Spanish accent. But it's its own thing. And no, what encases Arby's new Miami Cuban sandwich doesn't count. Ditto for what some chain grocers pass off as the real deal.

Regional variations exist, but are generally subtle, explains Ana Sofia Peláez, author of "The Cuban Table: A Celebration of Food, Flavors, and History." While she's partial to the Cuban bread she grew up with in Miami, with its "egg shell" delicate crust and "airy" interior, she concedes that La Segunda's, with its papery crust and lightly flaky inside, is truer to the original.

"They've stayed so true to how it's been made for over a century," she says.

La Segunda's Cuban bread has long been popular with locals, even as the ranks of hometown bakers have shrunk in recent decades from dozens to but a handful. Yet growing interest in authentic regional foods, combined with the fortune of having national distribution, has boosted La Segunda's sales. Today the bakery ships to restaurants and individuals as far away as Alaska and Europe.

"We get calls from people wanting to know if we'll overnight a loaf or two of bread to them," Moré says, laughing. "We say, 'It'll be expensive, but sure.'"

Even Tampa's International Cuban Sandwich Festival, once a way to showcase local talent, now draws contestants - and winners - not only from out of state (a Los Angeles restaurant took this year's top honors), but from out of the country, including South Korea and England. Competitors often source their bread from La Segunda and seek out Moré to learn how it's made.

He says that means doing it the same way, and mostly manual, way Tampa's early Cuban and Spanish immigrants made their bread, a tradition that few bakeries still honor and no culinary

school seems to teach.

At La Segunda, Cuban bread begins on a small screened porch behind the bakery, where several men sit on overturned milk crates. Over the next hour, workers' hands turn a large pile of rough-cut palmetto branches into neat, foot-long strips of split fronds. It's a task that everyone here - from master bakers to new hires - has performed.

Meanwhile, on the other side of the bakery, master baker Anthony Ali measures flour, salt, sugar and shortening by hand. Gregarious and bestubbed, Ali began working here more than two decades ago as a teenager. The half-dozen years it took him to progress from porch-bound



Co-owners Tony More, right, and son Copeland More check on some loaves. [AMY PEZZICARA, LA SEGUNDA CENTRAL BAKERY]

helper to one of several master bakers was fairly quick.

"It can take you more than a year just to learn how to properly roll a long loaf," he says, pouring ingredients into one of two automated mixers. Until a

few years ago, mixing was done by hand, as most tasks still are.

As he prepares another batch of dough, he explains the finer points of making authentic Cuban bread that include unique challenges. For example, Tampa's

muggy summers and cooler winters can play havoc with producing dough with just the right amount of moisture. Even the area's frequent thunderstorms can throw off calculations. Ratios of ingredients are subtly tweaked, often as the day progresses.

"Every day brings curveballs," Ali says. "With time, you learn to see them coming. You just gotta make sure you don't ever strike out."

Temperatures in the un-air-conditioned bakery can push triple-digits in summer, which makes an already physical job harder.

"It's in summer when people really show who they are," he says. "It's when you know if you love what you do."

And judging from the

boisterous camaraderie on this pre-dawn summer morning, most of the 10-person team seems positively gung-ho. Or maybe it's the sweetened Cuban coffee many on the crew have been sipping.

Standing around a table, several men banter and laugh as they grab grapefruit-size blobs of dough (or boleó) from a conveyor belt (another recent technological addition), weigh them, then slap them loudly on the tabletop before deftly folding them into what look like small footballs called bolas. These are then laid on long cloth-covered wooden planks to be stacked on wheeled metal racks that will head to the steam room, where the dough will double in size.

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Police: Satan-worshiping preteen girls planned to kill classmates

Antonia Noori Farzan
The Washington Post

BARTOW — Police in Bartow, Florida, say they arrested two middle school girls Tuesday who brought butcher knives and a pizza cutter to school and told detectives that they had been planning to stab more than a dozen students to death.

"They told us they were Satan worshipers," Bartow Police Chief Joe Hall said at a news conference on Wednesday. "They did make comments that they were willing to drink blood and possibly eat flesh."

The two preteens, aged 11 and 12, were enrolled in sixth and seventh grade, respectively, at Bartow Middle School. The Washington Post generally does not identify juveniles charged with crimes unless they are tried as adults.

Hall said that there had been rumors Monday that there would be "issues" at the middle school, and a student had informed a teacher that "something bad" was going to happen. As a result, extra officers were present at the school on Tuesday.

When the 11-year-old failed to show up for her second period class, her mother received a robo-call notifying her that her daughter was absent, Hall said. The girl's mother contacted the school and said she believed that her daughter was on campus, prompting administrators to launch a search of the campus.

An assistant principal found the two girls hiding in a bathroom

with a goblet, Hall said. Suspecting that it might have been used to drink alcohol, she escorted them both to the principal's office.

When Principal Christopher Roberts ordered the 11-year-old to empty her pockets, she handed over a paring knife and a sharpener, Hall said. Asked why she had a weapon, the girl said that she and the other student were planning on attacking as many students as possible. Officials then searched the 12-year-old and found several other knives and a pizza cutter in her possession. Hall didn't specify what the pizza cutter's intended use was.

After being taken into police custody, the girls told detectives that they had wanted to kill at least 15 people and were in the bathroom waiting for an opportunity. They also said they had planned on targeting smaller students who they could easily overpower, Hall said.

"I do not believe that this was a joke," the police chief said. "I believe that these two small children... seriously sat down and plotted to do serious bodily harm to another student at school."

At the 12-year-old's home, police found a hand-drawn map of the middle school's campus that said, "Go to kill in bathroom." Officers searched the students' phones and found that the two had discussed killing themselves after leaving their classmates' body parts by the school's entrance. "Thank Satan

we are doing this in a bit," the 12-year-old allegedly wrote in a message over social media on Tuesday.

Police say they believe the students' parents, who have not spoken publicly about the allegations, were unaware of their plan. The girls are close friends who live nearby and had spent the week-end together, Hall said.

"I don't think either one of them was a ringleader," he added. "I think they were both in it together."

The two students are in custody and have been charged with conspiracy to commit murder, possession of a weapon on school property and disrupting a school campus. Prosecutors have not yet indicated whether they will be charged as juveniles or adults. As of Wednesday evening, neither child had an attorney listed.

"If you were an adult, you'd be looking at potential life in prison," Hall said. "In this case, I think the state is going to step in and try to make the best decisions for both the public and the two suspects."

Hall also noted that "there may be some mental health issues here that have to be addressed."

Polk County Schools Superintendent Jacqueline Byrd said at Wednesday's news conference that the district will be filing for expulsion of the students, and that she was not aware of the two students having any prior disciplinary problems.

Byrd didn't explain how the students had



Two students at Bartow Middle School were arrested this week on charges related to conspiracy to kill fellow students. [CONTRIBUTED PHOTO]

been able to bringing knives onto campus, but credited the district's safety procedures with thwarting an attack. "The plan worked," she said.



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LOCAL & STATE

Due process continues after Michael

By Zack McDonald
The News Herald

PANAMA CITY — Dressed down in a Polo shirt and flip flops instead of the ceremonial black robe, Judge Thomas Welch sat in the Bay County Jail on Wednesday for the 10th consecutive day to undertake a practice not seen in Bay County for years — inmates meeting face-to-face with a judge during their first appearance and bond hearing.

In the days since the historically unprecedented storm besieged Bay County, like

almost everywhere else, the jail and courthouses were left without the ability to transmit communications. With ongoing repairs at each, the ability to hold first appearances in the usual fashion, via video transmitted from the jail to the courthouse, has been put on hold.

Welch said that being face-to-face with inmates does not affect the process he goes through in determining a bond. He still looks at circumstances of the arrest, their residency and criminal history in every decision. However, being secluded in

the jail, one factor he would sometimes consider is absent — the inmate's family, who would usually have an opportunity to be at the courthouse and address the judge.

"Sometimes I know what I'm going to do, and it doesn't matter what (family members) say," Welch said. "Not to be callous, but there are cases that demand a certain response. In some other cases, (the inmate) could be at a disadvantage because the family is not represented. But we just do not have the

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The Bay County Jail is shown Monday after suffering damage during Hurricane Michael. [JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD]

First wave of schools to reopen Nov. 5

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PANAMA CITY — Fifteen district schools are set to reopen on Monday, Nov. 5, Bay District Schools announced Friday.

Northside Elementary School, Mosley High School (split schedule with Merritt Brown Middle School), Oakland Terrace Elementary School, Parker Elementary School (with Patterson Elementary displaced students), Tommy Smith Elementary School, West Bay Elementary School, Patronis Elementary School, Waller Elementary School, Hutchison Beach Elementary School, New Horizons Learning Center, Southport Elementary School, Lynn Haven Elementary School, Lucille Moore Elementary School, Deer Point Elementary School and Callaway Elementary School (with Tyndall Elementary displaced students) will all be in the first wave of schools to reopen.

All other school sites, with the exceptions of Springfield Elementary, Tyndall Elementary, and Patterson Elementary, will be opening no later than the week of November 12, the district said.

"We know that opening our schools is an important step towards returning our community back to a semblance of normalcy," said Superintendent Bill Husfelt said in a prepared statement. "Our staff has been working

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Long-term plan for displaced residents underway



Displaced hurricane survivor Al Brown holds his dog named Little Wee while standing outside of the designated shelter on Oct. 26 at Bozeman. [PATTI BLAKE/THE NEWS HERALD]

800 still at shelters

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PANAMA CITY — Bay County officials plan to move residents displaced by Hurricane Michael from temporary shelters to more long-term housing by Nov. 1.

Bob Majka, county manager, said the goal is to relocate the nearly 800 people from the three

schools currently used as shelters to a space capable of holding them. While Majka wasn't ready to disclose the location on Friday, he said the site would provide a variety of services.

"It will be a facility and adequate to serve the need," Majka said. "We have been, for several days, putting a plan together to relocate those people out of the schools."

Majka said Bay District

Schools set the Nov. 1 deadline for the relocation, since it plans to resume classes next month. Currently, Breakfast Point Academy, Surfside Middle School and the Deane Bozeman School are the three temporary shelters in the county. As of Friday, the three shelters combined held around 788 people.

Majka added that once the site is running, it will be available to more than just those currently living in the shelters.

"Anybody who needs those services will be

accepted," he said.

Majka said the site would offer much more than shelter and security.

"There will be laundry, showers and feeding," Majka said. "We are putting a transportation plan together so people can get their children to school or for people who don't have transportation and need to get out to take care of their properties."

The site will also provide medical care, child daycare and internet services. And

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Free medical clinic set up in Callaway

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CALLAWAY — A free medical clinic is open in Callaway for East Bay County residents that aren't able to drive to Panama City or Panama City Beach after Hurricane Michael.

The clinic is at the Callaway Men's Club at John B. Gore Park on Beulah Ave.

and opened the Monday after the storm, according to Laura Schoonover, an EMT working at the clinic. It is operated by medical staff under Dr. Ata Ulhaq, who runs offices in Panama City and Panama City Beach. The Panama City clinic on Jenks Ave. was destroyed.

The Callaway clinic has seen anywhere from 20 to 40 patients a day so far and is using painted signs

on nearby roadways to direct people to their site. They can do minor surgical procedures like remove toenails, help with mold-related breathing problems, refill medications and stitch people up.

Callaway "is destroyed and we realized a lot of people want help. People can't drive to town or the beach from here," Schoonover said. "We

have insulin. We have antibiotics."

Callaway, like all of East Bay, saw massive damage from Hurricane Michael and many of its neighborhoods still have downed trees and debris, though roadways are clear and clean-up crews are in the area. The Callaway location was set up so residents don't have to spend

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 Normal year to date 52.18"
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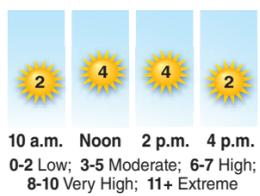
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East Bay	1:30a	1:15p
Pensacola	12:46a	11:58a
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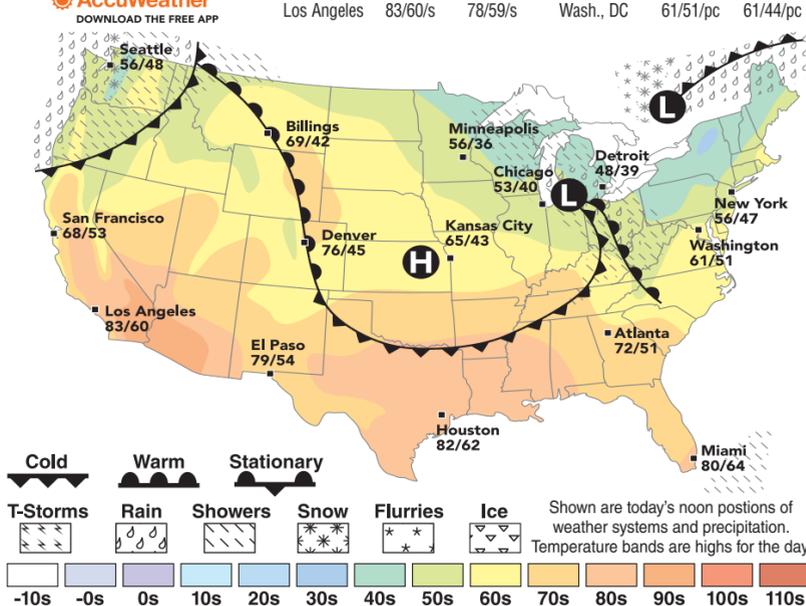
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Choctawhatchee	5.09 ft.	12 ft.
Caryville	---	---
Alabama	---	---
Clairborne	35.00 ft.	42 ft.
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RESIDENTS

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the site will have a post office, Majka said.

"We will even have the ability to care for pets there," he said.

Majka said the plan is to partner with all the municipalities in the county to help cover the cost of the housing services. The county expects to apply to the Federal Emergency Management Agency later for reimbursement, Majka said.

"But we're doing things right now based on the need," he said. "We'll go to FEMA after the fact, but this is something that needs to be done from a human perspective."

Panama City Mayor Greg Brudnicki said the city plans to partner with county, state and federal officials to address the housing issue.

"We're now gathering facts and numbers so we know how much we have to deliver," Brudnicki said.

With so many homes and rental properties destroyed in the city, another option might be to ask FEMA for temporary trailers, Brudnicki said.

"We've still got to gather information on how much housing is needed," he said.

Tom Kempton, spokesman for FEMA, said on Thursday that the county and state hadn't yet requested temporary trailers for the area. However, FEMA recently made county residents eligible for its transitional sheltering assistance program, which pays hotel and motel room costs for residents who need a place to stay while they're fixing their homes or looking for a new permanent residence.

Kempton said the problem Panama City faces is there are very few hotel rooms available, given that most are being used and many others were damaged in the hurricane. Kempton said various agencies are working together to find alternatives so people don't have to relocate.

Caila Strickland needs a place to live, but doubts she'll find one in the county.

For nearly two weeks, the Callaway woman has lived with hundreds of others in the Deane Bozeman School with her 2-year-old daughter and ex-husband, Corey Eaton. Strickland said on Friday that she hadn't heard anything about what the plans were for people living in the shelters.

"I've decided to relocate completely out of Panama City," Strickland



Red Cross volunteer Charlotte Hardy organizes clothes on Oct.26 at Bozeman. Hardy has 39 years of experience as a Red Cross volunteer. [PHOTOS BY PATTI BLAKE/THE NEWS HERALD]

said as she sat on her cot in the school's gym. "We're thinking about going more down south ... there's not many jobs here now, either."

Eaton said he hoped to find a new job to save up enough money so the family could move.

"I worked at the Panama City Mall, but it's not going to open again for another six months," Eaton said. "A friend and I are trying to find work."



An elderly cat stretches while being housed at a Red Cross shelter on Oct.26 at Bozeman.

SCHOOLS

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diligently towards opening as many schools as quickly as we possibly can."

The new calendar for the 2018-19 school year is still being discussed the Florida Department of Education, but

the district hopes to release a final version by next week.

"We know that some of the days we missed will have to be made up," Husfelt said in the release. "What we are hoping to do is keep the disruption to our normal schedule to a minimum and ensure that our students still have a Thanksgiving and Christmas Break and

that we break for Summer close to the same time as we usually do."

The schools had set a target reopening date of Nov. 12 after surveying the damage, but have managed to speed the process up with the help of "countless contractors" and a "dedicated maintenance staff. Repairing the schools has required around the clock

work.

"This truly has been a team effort and everyone has worked together to ensure our students have safe facilities that are ready to welcome them back as soon as possible," Husfelt said. "This is a community that values education, loves our children and knows that they need to be back in school. A lot of people

have worked tirelessly to make this happen and we look forward to welcoming our employees back on Monday and our students back as soon as possible."

Parents are encouraged to enroll their students in the closest school to where they are currently staying. Students will be welcomed back to their old school, but the

district may not be able to provide transportation. Students will be provided with school supplies and any clothing needed through a donation drive, and the dress code will be flexible during the first few weeks of school as students get settled. All district employees are being asked to report to work Monday, Oct. 29 if possible.

Court says trafficking victim can't shed record

By Jim Saunders
The News Service of Florida

TALLAHASSEE — Trying to help human-trafficking victims get a new start in life, Florida lawmakers in 2013 unanimously passed a bill aimed at helping victims expunge records of crimes they might have committed under duress.

But pointing to an exception in the law, a South Florida appeals court Wednesday upheld a ruling that prevented a woman from shedding the record of a kidnapping charge that stemmed from a time when she was

forced to work as a prostitute and recruit other women.

A three-judge panel of the 3rd District Court of Appeal indicated regret that it could not order expunction of a record for the woman identified only by the initials M.G. But like a Miami-Dade County circuit judge had ruled earlier, the appeals court said it did not have discretion to erase the kidnapping charge.

"While we can certainly sympathize with M.G.'s tragic circumstances and admire her determination in overcoming them, we cannot substitute our

judgment for that of the Legislature," said the 11-page ruling, written by appeals-court Judge Kevin Emas and joined by judges Richard Suarez and Ivan Fernandez. "The construction of the statute as urged by M.G. must be the result of legislative amendment, not judicial pronouncement."

Lawmakers in recent years have taken a series of steps to try to help human-trafficking victims, who often are forced into prostitution. The 2013 law was designed to allow victims to ask courts to expunge records of crimes committed

while they were being trafficked, but it included an exception for certain types of crimes, including kidnapping.

Wednesday's ruling said M.G. became a victim of human trafficking in 2007, which led to her being forced to work as a prostitute. A man who ran the prostitution operation also forced her to recruit other women, and if she broke rules, he would "beat her in front of the other women," the ruling said.

In 2010, M.G. was forced to befriend another woman to work as a prostitute. The other

woman later escaped and said she had been kidnapped, which led to the arrests of M.G. and the man on charges including sex trafficking and kidnapping, Wednesday's ruling said.

M.G. subsequently entered into a plea agreement in which she pleaded guilty to sex-trafficking and prostitution charges, while prosecutors did not move forward with the kidnapping charge. After serving a sentence, M.G. sought to get all of the criminal-history records expunged. A circuit judge granted the request, except for the record of

the kidnapping charge.

In the appeal, M.G.'s attorneys contended that the circuit judge had discretion to grant expunction because M.G. was not convicted on the kidnapping charge. But the appeals court said the state law did not give leeway to expunge that charge.

"We agree with the trial court's determination that no ambiguity exists, and that expunction of criminal history records related to the offense of kidnapping is precluded by the plain language of the statute," Wednesday's ruling said.

STATE BRIEFS

BOYNTON BEACH Police: Girl shoots herself with gun found in her couch

Authorities say a 7-year-old Florida girl shot herself in the arm after finding a gun under a cushion on her living room couch.

According to a Boynton Beach Police report, 25-year-old Travonte Leslie put his gun under the cushion before sleeping on the couch Thursday night. Leslie told detectives he had loaded the gun with an empty magazine before replacing it under the cushion Friday afternoon.

The police report says Leslie was sitting outside and the girl's mother was in the bathroom when they heard a gunshot.

Leslie was held Saturday without bond on a charge of neglect of a child causing great bodily harm. Palm Beach County jail records did not show whether he had an attorney. The police report said the girl needed surgery for the gunshot injury to her left arm.

ORLANDO Quarter million Floridians registered since primary election

More than a quarter million Floridians have registered to vote in the months since the last registration deadline for the primary elections. The Florida Division of Elections reported this week that almost 265,000 Floridians registered to vote from the last deadline at the end of July through the Oct. 9 deadline for the general election.

More than 13.2 million Floridians are registered to vote for the Nov. 6 election featuring high-profile races for governor and the U.S. Senate. More than 4.9 million Floridians are registered as Democrats, 4.6 million are registered as Republicans and 3.5 million have no party affiliation.

Democrats gained more than 105,000 new voters, compared to the Republicans' 87,000 new voters, in the two months between the deadlines for the primary and general election registrations.

BARTOW Man gets life for crime spree that left 2 dead

A Florida man has been sentenced to life in prison for the fatal stabbings of two women during a crime spree. The Ledger reports that 33-year-old Terrell Williams was sentenced after jurors found him guilty Thursday of two counts of first-degree murder.

Authorities say Williams, Devonere McCune, Michael Gordon and Jovan Lamb robbed an Auburndale pawn shop in January 2015. McCune was arrested following a shootout with police in nearby Haines City.

Following a 911 call, deputies responded to a nearby home and found the bodies of 72-year-old Patricia Moran, and her daughter, 51-year-old Deborah Royal. Authorities say Williams, Gordon and Lamb were arrested after trying to flee in the victims' car. Investigators believe Gordon killed the women.

Gordon and Lamb are set to stand trial next year. McCune had previously been sentenced to 25 years as part of a plea deal, but prosecutors set aside the deal when he refused to testify.

WEST PALM BEACH Woman charged after child falls from 2nd-floor window

Authorities say a Florida woman was unconscious when a 5-year-old boy she was watching fell from a second-floor window.

The Palm Beach Post reports that 44-year-old Desiree Williams was arrested Wednesday and charged with child neglect. West Palm Beach police say firefighters responded to the home Wednesday and found the boy, who said his back and legs hurt. He later told police that Williams was sleeping when he leaned out a bedroom window and fell.

No one responded when rescue workers knocked on the home's door. They forced the door open and reported finding Williams unconscious and smelling like alcohol. She told authorities she drank wine and took Advil that afternoon.

Williams was free on \$3,000 bail. Jail records didn't list an attorney.

LOCAL BRIEFS

PANAMA CITY News Herald office to reopen

The Panama City News Herald will be open for limited business at 501 W. 11th St. starting Monday. A mobile unit will be set up to the left of the original office building where customers can come to place classified advertising, pay their subscription or advertising invoices, buy copies of the News Herald and purchase newsprint rolls. The office will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

You also can call for subscription services at 850-747-5050, classified advertising at 850-747-5020 or general information 850-747-5000.

LYNN HAVEN BCSO to reopen office

The Bay County Sheriff's Office, 3421 N. State 77, will reopen to the public Monday, Oct. 29, at 8 a.m.

PANAMA CITY 14th Judicial Circuit Courts to reopen

All courts within the 14th Judicial Circuit — Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, and Washington Counties — will reopen on Monday, Oct. 29.

PANAMA CITY GCSC sets up info phone line for students

Students at Gulf Coast State College can call an information phone line at 850-873-3514 to find out about school reopening Nov. 5 and get other questions answered.

It will be available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., a news release stated.

PANAMA CITY Lucky's Market donating Monday proceeds to recovery efforts

Proceeds from Lucky's Market sales in Florida on Monday, Oct. 29, will benefit Panhandle residents affected by Hurricane Michael.

"Ten percent of sales at all Lucky's Market Florida locations will be donated to Feeding the Gulf Coast and Second Harvest of the Big Bend to help to recover and rebuild," a news release stated.

PANAMA CITY BEACH IRONMAN Foundation donates to Hurricane Michael relief efforts

The IRONMAN Foundation is partnering with other organizations to help Bay County residents affected by Hurricane Michael. The IRONMAN Foundation will match up to \$100,000 in donations and has already pledged \$50,000. Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation is also pledging \$25,000 and HOKA ONE ONE is pledging \$10,000 to relief efforts, a news release stated.

The 2018 IRONMAN Foundation Community 5K to Support Hurricane Michael Relief presented by HOKA ONE ONE will held on Saturday, Nov. 3, at 9 a.m. The 20th edition of the IRONMAN Florida triathlon usually held in

Panama City Beach is being moved to Haines City due to Bay County being damaged by Michael.

"As we mark the 20th edition of IRONMAN Florida, our thoughts continue to be with community of Panama City Beach, Bay County and the surrounding area who were impacted by Hurricane Michael," said Sarah Hartmann, acting executive director for the IRONMAN Foundation, in the news release. "We are calling upon our greater IRONMAN community to join us in helping to bring assistance in this time of need. The areas affected will require ongoing assistance and donations, and service projects will be critically important for their continued recovery efforts."

The IRONMAN Foundation is also raising donations through T-shirt sales and at the Haines City event. For more information on donations, visit IronmanFoundation.org/Florida.

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hours in traffic or dodging around utility crews on their way to the beach

or town.

The medical supplies at the clinic come from Ulhaq's offices and donations. Though they can't do X-rays, the rest of their equipment is "designed to see what's going on," Schoonover said. The

clinic even does follow-ups on patients that come more than once.

The clinic's hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Donations are accepted so the clinic can get further supplies, and Schoonover

said it feels good to give back to the community.

"I wouldn't want to be anywhere else right now. You know these people are working hard," Schoonover said. "They're trying to get their lives taken care of."

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capability for them to be present. These are the conditions the storm left us with."

As each inmate stood before Welch, they were flanked on either side by jail personnel. Emotions run high when the amount of a bond can mean the arrestees are unable to get back to their home, family or jobs. In each case, the decision can bring objection or a sigh of relief.

Some inmates bring with them to their first appearances storm-related excuses for their arrest.

"I came down from Bonifay to check on some family members, and my car broke down," Justin Moore told the court was

his reason for violating the disaster curfew.

Gary Richardson said he'd been at a house when the inhabitants decided to rob him. So he had no choice but to be out after curfew, he said.

"I was the victim," Richardson told the court. "They drug me outside and tried to roll me for my bicycle. That's the truth."

One new arrestee, Justin Tabory, had been arrested for domestic violence and was asking for the court to not issue a "no contact" order.

"I have no idea what to do," he said. "She will be on the street. Our whole house got demolished, and we're staying with my mom and dad."

In the two days that followed Hurricane Michael, there was no way to hold first appearances, said Bay County Sheriff's Office Maj. Rick

Anglin, warden of the jail. He said the thousands of downed trees and power lines left by the storm made it impossible for a judge to get to the jail.

"We had to wait for the roads to get cleared," Anglin said. "On the flip side, we had very few people coming to the jail."

On Wednesday, public defender Kim Jewell, who typically works homicide and death penalty cases, was present to represent the inmates' legal interests. But even with a seasoned defense attorney present, it's not always easy to predict when an arrestee is going to say something they might regret in future court appearances.

Welch said inmates frequently curse him. Usually, the inability to control their temper would garner an additional 15 days in jail for

contempt of court. Under the current circumstances, Welch said he was exercising leniency.

Those days, the jail was also operating without power or running water. Debris crews and jail personnel attempted to clear a path for the arrival of replacement generators. Those issues have been resolved.

Anglin said the inmate phone system is still down, but they are not without the ability to post bond. Inmates can currently post bonds with cash, money order, a cashier's check or a family member can go through a bondsman, he said.

"The courts have bent over backwards to work with us during all this," Anglin said. "Because of us being able to work together, we've been able to ensure inmates receive due process."

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In crucial US Senate race, Scott balances storm and politics

By Gary Fineout
The Associated Press

BONIFAY — It's less than two weeks before Election Day, but instead of campaigning Florida Gov. Rick Scott is talking to elementary school students about whether they've gotten power back.

Then it's off to a disaster recovery center where he winds up hugging a woman after she tells him how two members of her husband's family died during the fury of Hurricane Michael as it ripped through Florida's Panhandle. During a lengthy conversation, she urges him not to forget about the rural communities just below the Alabama border that are still struggling in the aftermath of the deadly storm.

Embroiled in a razor-tight and expensive battle with Democratic U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson that could determine control of the U.S. Senate, Scott is spending his day in two neighboring counties that have a total of 27,000 registered voters in the nation's third largest state. It underscores the challenge he faces in the final stretch of the campaign: balancing his

responsibility as governor against the demands of a closely-contested campaign in one of the nation's most critical swing states.

It's not that his campaign has shut down: It's still spending millions on a blizzard of television ads, much of it paid from Scott's own personal fortune, including one that touted his leadership responding to Hurricane Michael and other ads ripping into Nelson. Scott also appeared this week on Fox News to talk about the race, and his campaign announced Friday that he would be back on the campaign trail this weekend. He is also planning to appear alongside President Donald Trump next week at a political rally in southwest Florida.

"I don't think about politics, I think about my job," contends Scott, who's dressed in his now-trademark Navy cap, taupe jeans and blue shirt instead of his usual suit. "The governor should be leading the response effort."

Scott had been walking a tight-rope: Ignore the Panhandle counties in a moment of need and risk criticism, but at the



Florida Gov. Rick Scott, speaks to Cuban-American supporters at a campaign stop, in Hialeah, Fla. Scott is getting back on the campaign trail after spending more than two weeks dealing with the aftermath of Hurricane Michael. Despite being embroiled in a tight race with U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, Scott has spent most of his time in the Florida Panhandle counties damaged by the deadly storm. [AP PHOTO/WILFREDO LEE, FILE]

same time news about the storm and Scott's efforts have been fading in areas not dealing with the daily grind of rebuilding and recovery.

"People like to see their governor here," said Faye Yongue, who works for a Panhandle education consortium and is having lunch a few feet

away from Scott and the local sheriff in a barbecue restaurant. "This is still Florida."

For Scott, the focus on storm recovery means spending time talking to power and telecommunications company executives, coordinating with federal disaster officials or touring damaged

Tyndall Air Force Base.

But Scott's attention to the storm allowed him to sidestep the barrage of criticism he has weathered in recent months on the campaign trail. He's been put on the defense over the algae and red tide that have plagued both coasts, cuts to education funding he pursued

in first year as governor and his relative silence over Florida being part of an ongoing lawsuit to undermine the Affordable Care Act.

Sen. Nelson's campaign contends Scott has used the hurricane as some sort of cover.

Dan McLaughlin, a spokesman for Nelson's campaign, in an email to reporters said the governor was "politically deceitful and using the hurricane to hide from voters."

Scott, however, has pushed back, saying Nelson should also be spending time in the region since federal agencies are also helping with the recovery. In the last few days, Nelson has campaigned with former Vice President Joe Biden and Tallahassee Mayor Andrew Gillum in several places across the state.

"I'm shocked that Sen. Nelson came down for three or four days of photo ops and then decided he's going to campaign and said there's nothing else he can do," said Scott, referring to a comment Nelson made last week in Tampa. "This takes everybody's effort." McLaughlin blasts back and points out that on the same day Scott was in the towns of Chipley and Bonifay that Nelson had visited the small town of Lynn Haven.

"Scott's assertion that he was there and left is completely false," McLaughlin said. "It's like a doctor coming out of the emergency room after an operation. It doesn't mean the doctor is quitting."

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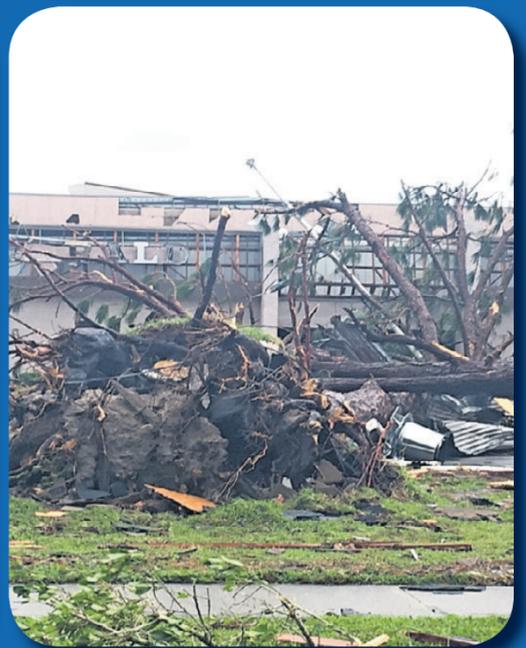
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Restructuring of health systems slows to curb readiness risk

By Tom Philpott
Syndicated Columnist

As envisioned and directed by Congress two years ago, this was to be the month that the five-year-old Defense Health Agency (DHA) assumed management responsibility for all Army, Navy and Air Force health care facilities, which includes 59 hospitals and 360 clinics across the nation and at U.S. bases overseas.

The restructuring of the military health system, arguably the largest ever undertaken, is proceeding. This month hospitals and clinics at Fort Bragg, N.C., Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Fla., Keesler AFB, Miss., Joint Base Charleston, S.C. and Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C., came under DHA control.

But given the complexity of such transfers, and to protect medical readiness, Congress in August extended its original deadline for consolidating health care facility operations by a full three years, until Sept. 30, 2021.

The Defense Department in June rolled out a final implementation plan for sweeping health system reforms lawmakers directed in the fiscal 2017 defense authorization act. The revised plan described recent steps by the department to modernize governance of the health system. It also urged a more gradual phase-in for streamlining and standardizing of health care delivery under DHA.

Congress granted that request, with extension language in the fiscal 2019 defense policy bill that the president signed Aug. 13. Lawmakers declined, however, to grant the Defense Secretary authority to waive specific requirements of the consolidation if he determines more delays are necessary to keep the pace of transfer feasible or to preserve medical readiness.

Instead, Congress further strengthened the role of DHA director and more precisely defined responsibilities for medical

readiness that remain with the Army, Navy and Air Force surgeons general. These include: assignment of uniformed medical and dental personnel to military health facilities; ensuring their medical readiness; providing logistical support and training for deployment, and overseeing their mobilization and demobilization. Surgeons general remain responsible for ensuring the medical force can support the warfighter. They also will continue to fill uniformed leadership positions across the military health system.

Congress also directed that no military treatment facility be closed or downsized without the department first submitting a report to the armed services committees on methodology and criteria used for the decision. It further ordered DHA to stand up two subordinate organizations: one for research and development and another to focus on public health issues.

Dr. Terry Adirim, deputy assistant secretary of health services policy and oversight, wrote much of department's final implementation plan report, which appears to have persuaded Congress to allow a more gradual phase-in schedule for consolidating non-operational health care delivery under DHA.

"This is probably the biggest transformation of the military health system in history," or at least for decades, Adirim said, requiring "a huge list" of changes to integrate operations in DHA from across military medical departments.

"To do that in a short period of time is hugely challenging. So, we needed the time to do the planning and then begin to make sure all functions coming under the DHA are successfully transferred. We thought doing this phased approach would reduce risk and give us more time to ensure we get it right."

The reforms have several goals. One is to lower costs by ending duplication of effort and inefficient use of resources from having three services run separate medical departments. Another is standardizing

care experiences across the military by adopting identical clinical practices and processes.

As responsibilities of the DHA director expand and those of the services and their surgeons general narrow, the shift should be invisible to the 9 million beneficiaries of military health care, Adirim said.

"They're not going to see any difference in the level of service or care except, we hope, eventually they will see improvement and a more standard (care) experience," she said. "This transition is really impacting mostly headquarters."

The plan unveiled in June does project both health care savings and overall staff reductions as Army, Navy and Air Force lose medical headquarters personnel in numbers greater than staff growth planned at DHA.

"The Department has already programmed a 25 percent reduction in manpower positions aligned to medical headquarters across the enterprise" and a \$202.5 million cut in health plan costs tied to that effort, the report says.

More reductions are planned, it adds. But because service branches "will be supporting the

transition of administration and management" functions to DHA through 2019, "the Department does not anticipate major reductions in headquarters manpower beyond the 25 percent reduction already established."

When DHA was established in 2013, it took charge of certain "shared services" across the health system, including medical logistics, information technology, pharmacies, TRICARE health plans, facility planning, medical research, acquisition, budget management, and medical education and training. That saved \$2.3 billion from fiscal 2015 through 2017, the report contends.

It also identifies new reforms with potential to save \$760 million more annually by fiscal 2023 through improved management of access to care, of purchased support services such as housekeeping and dietary services at military treatment facilities, and of medical facility operations, including laboratories and radiology. DHA also expects to squeeze costs from TRICARE support contracts.

Much of the final plan report focuses on a more streamlined governance scheme for the health system adopted earlier this year to speed up a "sclerotic decision-making process that has the effect of demoralizing staff and other stakeholders who seek to make timely improvements in (military health system) policy, readiness and health care delivery."

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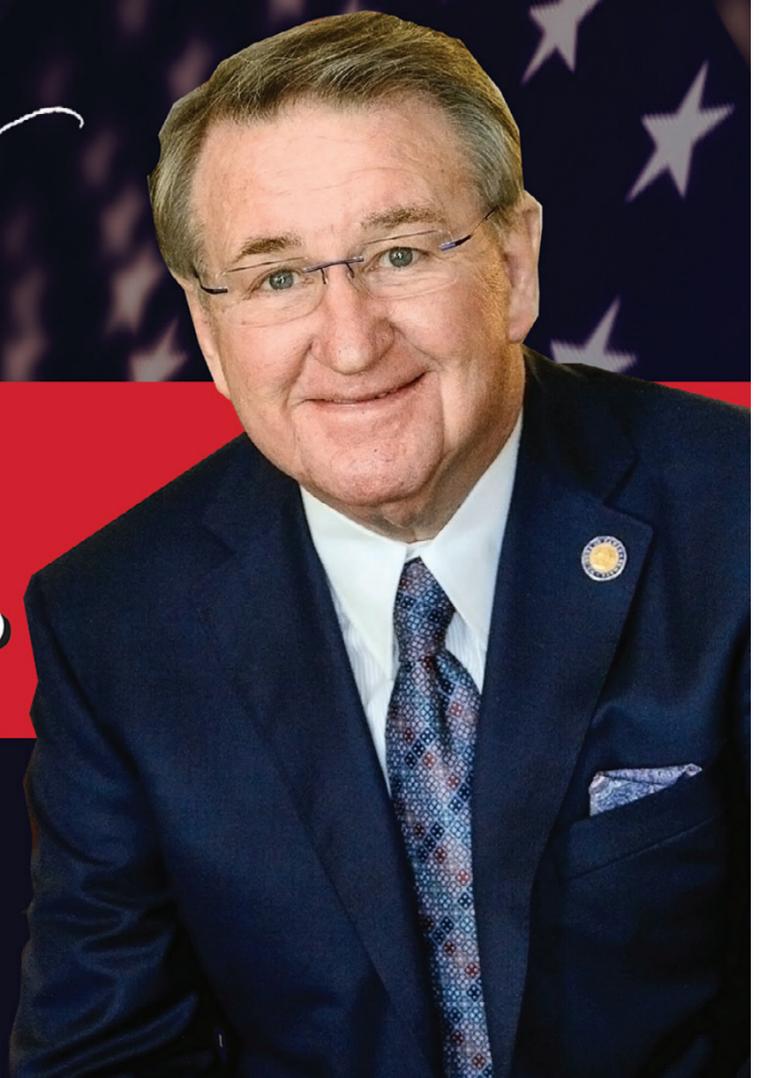
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DNA, fingerprint match helped lead FBI to mail bomb suspect

By Michael Balsamo, Eric Tucker and Colleen Long
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A Florida man with a criminal history and a fervor for President Donald Trump sent at least 13 mail bombs to prominent Democrats, Justice Department officials said, crediting DNA, a fingerprint match and misspellings for the key break in a case that spread fear of election-season violence with little precedent in the U.S.

Cesar Sayoc, 56, of Aventura, Florida, faces five federal charges in connection with a mail bomb plot that spurred a weeklong, coast-to-coast investigation that continued even after he was taken into custody Friday as investigators scrutinized additional suspicious packages intended for Democrats.

Sayoc will make his first court appearance next week, where additional details may be revealed about a motive. In the meantime, Attorney General Jeff Sessions suggested that politics may have played a role and noted that Sayoc appeared to be a "partisan." Those who saw him in the Florida neighborhood, unmistakable in a white van plastered with Trump's image and political stickers, described him as unsettling and troubled.

Sayoc's social media profiles portray a deeply disaffected conservative who trafficked in online conspiracy theories, parody accounts and name-calling. He called a Florida school shooting survivor a "fake phony," peddled theories about George Soros, the billionaire political donor targeted this week by a package bomb, and denigrated other Democrats who were later the intended recipients of



This frame grab from video provided by WPLG-TV shows FBI agents escorting Cesar Sayoc, in sleeveless shirt, in Miramar, Fla., on Friday, Oct. 26, 2018. Sayoc is an amateur body builder and former male stripper, a loner with a long arrest record who showed little interest in politics until Donald Trump came along. On Friday, he was identified by authorities as the Florida man who put pipe bombs in small manila envelopes, affixed six stamps and sent them to some of Donald Trump's most prominent critics. [WPLG-TV VIA AP]

explosive packages.

An amateur body builder and former stripper who once spent time on probation for a bomb threat charge, Sayoc first registered as a Republican voter just ahead of the March 2016 Republican primary and quickly identified himself as a proud Trump supporter, tweeting and posting on Facebook videos that appear to show him at Trump rallies.

He appeared to be living in his van, showering on the beach or at a local fitness center.

Sayoc's arrest Friday was a major breakthrough in the nationwide manhunt following the discovery of the explosive devices — none of which detonated — addressed to prominent Democrats and other frequent targets of conservative ire, including former President Barack Obama, former Vice President Joe Biden, Hillary Clinton and the cable network CNN. On Friday, new packages addressed to New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker and former National Intelligence Director James Clapper were intercepted — both similar to those discovered earlier in the

week. Investigators in California scrutinized a package sent to Democratic Sen. Kamala Harris, her office said, and one sent to Tom Steyer, a billionaire businessman who has campaigned for months for Trump's impeachment.

The mail bombs, coming shortly before major midterm elections, sparked a heated national conversation about the hard-edged political climate and Trump's role in fanning the flames. The president has branded the media the "enemy of the people" and hurled harsh, personal insults at others targeted in the plot.

Shortly after Sayoc was detained, Trump declared that "we must never allow political violence to take root in America" and that Americans "must unify."

Speaking later to reporters Friday evening before leaving for a political rally in North Carolina, Trump said he knows Sayoc supported him but that he himself "bears no blame." Hours earlier Trump had complained via tweet that "this 'bomb' stuff" was taking attention away from the upcoming election and that critics were wrongly blaming him.

FBI and police officials worked swiftly to untangle clues this week as the packages mounted, sometimes several in the same day.

The big break came when a fingerprint found on one of the packages, intended for California Rep. Maxine Waters, matched a fingerprint of Sayoc's on file with Florida authorities. A DNA sample from a device intended for Obama similarly matched the suspect's DNA, the FBI said.

An additional clue: Misspellings from his online posts matched mistakes found on the packages, according to an 11-page criminal complaint that included the formal charges of threatening former presidents and transporting explosives across state lines.

Some packages included photographs of the intended recipients marked with a red "x," the FBI said. The packages contained timers and batteries, but were not rigged to explode upon opening. Officials were uncertain whether the devices were poorly designed or never intended to cause physical harm.

Authorities noted that they included "energetic material." A footnote to the charging document said such explosive material "gives off heat and energy through a rapid exothermic reaction when initiated by heat, shock or friction."

"These are not hoax devices," FBI Director Chris Wray said.

Sayoc was arrested near an auto parts store in Plantation, Florida, north of Miami. Across the street, Thomas Fiori, a former federal law enforcement officer, said he saw about 50 armed officers swarm a man standing outside a white van. They ordered him to the ground, Fiori said, and he did not resist.



Democratic gubernatorial candidate Andrew Gillum. [CONTRIBUTED PHOTO]

Food tab part of Gillum inquiry

Records show FBI agent may have paid \$4,000 at fundraiser

By John Kennedy
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TALLAHASSEE — An undercover FBI agent, who records show provided a ticket to Broadway's "Hamilton" to Andrew Gillum, also may have paid more than \$4,000 for food at a political fundraiser for the Democratic gubernatorial candidate, according to documents released Friday.

The documents were sent to the state Commission on Ethics as part of an investigation into Gillum, the Tallahassee mayor. They are from Adam Corey, a Tallahassee lobbyist who was Gillum's volunteer campaign treasurer during his 2014 run for mayor.

They show that the agent, posing as a developer known as Mike Miller, volunteered to pick up the meal tab for an April 2016 fundraiser for Gillum's political committee, Florida Forward. He was sent a bill for \$4,386 by Corey, who hosted the event at his home.

"Attached is the invoice for the dinner you graciously offered to sponsor," Corey wrote in a later email to Miller.

Florida Forward records don't show Miller's contribution, and it's unclear whether the agent, or anyone else, paid for the event. The Gillum campaign did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

The latest 80-plus pages of documents follows a release of records earlier this week that raised more

questions about the ticket to Hamilton that Gillum received during an August 2016 trip to New York City.

Gillum has said that his brother Marcus supplied the ticket, as part of a swap with Corey for a Jay-Z concert ticket. But texts involving the three men credited Miller with supplying the ticket.

Gillum's opponent, Republican Ron DeSantis, ridiculed him over the matter during a statewide televised debate this week and has been running TV ads saying that his rival can't be trusted.

Gillum is downplaying the importance of the ticket in the governor's race, and said he was guilty only of "not having asked more questions" about getting the ticket.

The Ethics Commission has said that its investigation of the complaint against Gillum will not be concluded before Election Day. The complaint was filed by Erwin Jackson, a Tallahassee businessman and frequent critic of Tallahassee city government.

Gillum has said repeatedly that he is not the target of the FBI investigation of Tallahassee government, which involved three undercover FBI agents posing as out-of-town developers looking to invest in property in a government-backed community redevelopment district.

Gillum and Corey met with the agents in New York City on the Hamilton trip. Corey had arranged an earlier meeting in Tallahassee with the agents while he was in Costa Rica with Gillum, a trip that also is part of the ethics probe.

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White supremacist group targets Gillum in new racist robocall

By Felicia Sonmez and Tim Craig
The Washington Post

An Idaho-based white supremacist group is making a new round of racist robocalls targeting Florida Democratic gubernatorial nominee Andrew Gillum that appear to be directed at black Democratic Party leaders in the state.

Two county Democratic Party chairs told The Washington Post that they received the new robocall Tuesday morning. It features a man impersonating Gillum in a minstrel dialect, while jungle sounds and chimpanzee noises can be heard in the background.

"Well, hello there! I is the negro, Andrew Gillum, and I be askin' you to make me governor of this here state of Florida," the minute-long call begins, according to a recording obtained by The Post.

The speaker compares "the white man's medicine, which is very expensive, 'cause it uses science and whatnot," with "the medicine of my African race," which involves "puttin' de chicken feets under your pillows during the full moon" and "don't hardly cost nothin' at all."

"So I's promise, if you make me, Andrew Gillum, the governor, every peoples that be ailin' will get all the chicken feets they need," the voice on the call says.

The ad then takes an anti-Semitic turn, with the speaker claiming that "it was the Jews who owned the slave trade" and that Jews will be



Florida Democratic gubernatorial candidate Andrew Gillum talks during a CNN debate against his Republican opponent Ron DeSantis in Tampa, Fla. Florida Democrats are trying to mine votes in rural areas where they've lost badly in recent years to the Republicans.

[AP PHOTO/CHRIS O'MEARA, FILE]

"puttin' Negroes in charge over the white folks."

"All the Jews gon' vote me, Andrew Gillum, governor of this here state of Florida," the ad concludes. The sound of a chimp can be heard after the speaker says Gillum's name.

A man states at the end of the call that it was "paid for by TheRoadToPower.com." The group also was behind another racist robocall targeting Gillum in August.

Polls show Gillum locked in a tight race against Rep. Ron DeSantis, R-Fla. If elected, Gillum would become the state's first black

governor.

The two Florida Democratic Party county chairs who received the robocall Tuesday morning said they believe it is targeting black Democratic leaders in the state and is aimed at keeping Gillum's supporters away from the polls.

"I was highly insulted," said Cynthia Moore Chestnut, chair of the Alachua County Democratic Party, who posted about the robocall on her Facebook page.

Chestnut, who is black, said she believes the call was "specifically designed to intimidate me and any other African-Americans that hold a leadership

role."

"But I have encouraged everyone that we have to vote, vote, vote and not be intimidated by this," she said.

Shawn Kinsey, chairman of the Polk County Democratic Party, said the robocall, which was left on his voicemail, was "disgusting" and "took me aback."

"It's just very disturbing in this political climate," he said. "I never thought that I would receive something like that."

Both Chestnut and Kinsey said that they received the call on their cellphones and that it came from a Tallahassee

area code.

At a campaign event in Orlando, DeSantis called the robocalls "disgusting" and urged the media to investigate their source.

"I want to know who's doing that," DeSantis said. "I can tell you we are not doing it, and I think the people doing it are doing it because they are trying to create division."

Gillum, meanwhile, suggested that extremist groups are "taking their cues" from DeSantis.

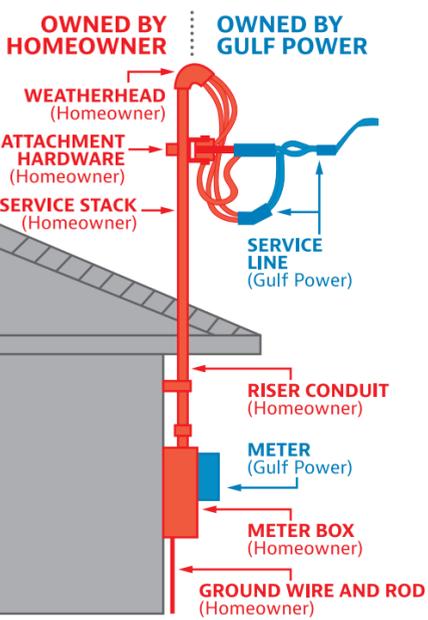
In an appearance Tuesday evening on MSNBC, Gillum seized on DeSantis' previous warning to voters not to "monkey this up" by electing him

- a phrase that, Gillum maintained, is "not commonly used, as far as I know."

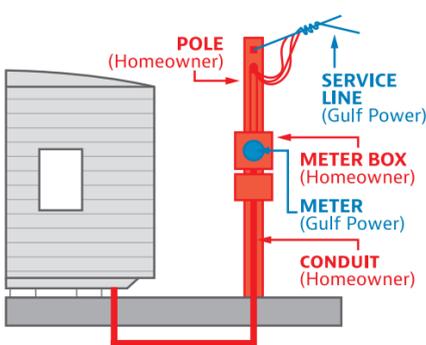
"It's not hard to understand why neo-Nazis would take an extension of that and then take it to the next level of extremity," he said, blasting the robocalls and other ads that he said are intended "to further a stereotype about black men - illegal, unethical, take things for free."

DeSantis has said that the phrase was not intended as a "dog whistle."

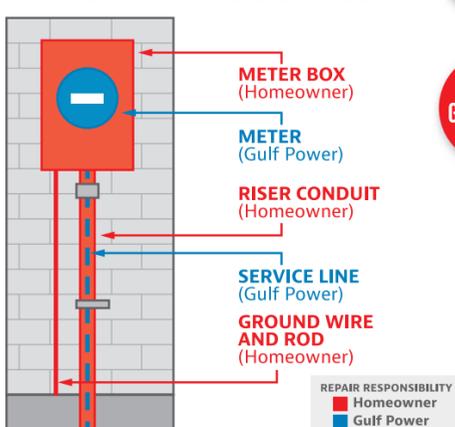
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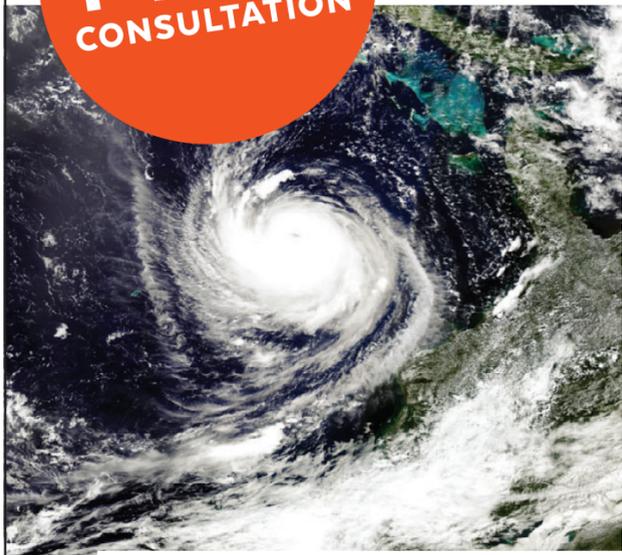
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SPORTS

Seahawks soar by Bucks, 39-21

By Dustin Kent

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SAND HILLS — Bozeman's first game in three weeks wasn't exactly a clinic in terms of preparation and execution from the Bucks. There were struggles on both sides of the ball, blown assignments, and missed tackles in Friday's 39-21 loss to South Walton.

For Bucks coach Jason Griffin, however, the fact that Bozeman's players were on a football field at all given what has transpired in Bay County

over the last two weeks was something to celebrate.

"I'm so proud of my guys for showing up and playing," he said. "My guys fought so hard. We were not as prepared as we'd have liked to have been, but we played hard. I'm just so proud of the guys for showing up this week with all that they're facing and their families are facing. Some of our guys still don't have power, but they're going to keep showing up at practice and do their best to try to help our community start healing. I couldn't be prouder of the Bozeman

Bucks program despite what the scoreboard says."

Bozeman's return to action just over two weeks since Hurricane Michael was met by a surging South Walton team that has now won four of six games since a 1-2 start. The Seahawks played last week in a 20-18 win over Freeport and looked the sharper team throughout the night. They got a huge performance from junior quarterback Drake Roberts, who completed 31 of 44 passes for 351 yards and four touchdowns, with

See **BOZEMAN, C2**



South Walton's Jaden Page tries to get away from Bozeman's Austin Sato on Friday. (JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD)

Tiger trouble



Clemson wide receiver Amari Rodgers keeps an eye on Florida State defensive end Walvenski Aime after a reception.

[AP PHOTO/MARK WALLHEISER]

Clemson hands Florida State worst home loss

The Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — Trevor Lawrence threw four touchdown passes, and No. 2 Clemson handed Florida State its worst home loss in program history with a 59-10 victory on Saturday.

Lawrence completed 20 of 37 passes for 314 yards before staying on the sideline for good late in the third

quarter. Tee Higgins and Amari Rodgers each had two touchdown receptions.

Clemson (8-0, 5-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) has won four straight in the series for the first time. It's also the first time Florida State has lost four consecutive games to an ACC program (Miami previously achieved that feat before joining the league).

"This was an awesome

accomplishment for our seniors," Clemson coach Dabo Swinney said. "This was something they really wanted to do ... be that first ACC senior class to go 4-0 on these guys."

The Tigers moved to 8-0 for the seventh time in school history, including the third time in the last four seasons. They were dominant in the second quarter, scoring four

touchdowns on consecutive drives.

Florida State (4-4, 2-4) couldn't get out of its own way, suffering its most lopsided defeat at home — surpassing a 58-14 loss to Southern Miss in 1981. It was also the most points allowed by the Seminoles at Doak Campbell Stadium.

See **FSU, C6**

Port St. Joe handles Arnold 34-14

By Tim Croft

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PORT ST. JOE — Less than a minute into the second period Friday afternoon Arnold became just the second team to score on Port St. Joe this season.

With zero time on the clock after four quarters at Shark Stadium, the Tiger Sharks remained unbeaten after rolling past the Marlins (4-3) 34-14 behind a series of big plays and key second-half drive.

But, in reality, which team won, which lost, and final scores meant little; just over two weeks after Hurricane Michael laid waste to Gulf County, Friday football was back.

"It was good to get back out there," said Port St. Joe coach Greg Jordan. "Today was about more than wins and losses for the kids, the school and the community."

"We represented well. Overall, I was pleased with how we played."

The Tiger Sharks practiced the Tuesday before the storm and did not come back together until eight days after Michael, for a dinner of grilled hamburgers just to see who had evacuated and whether numbers were sufficient for a team.

And after missing two games, the kickoff for Friday was moved to 4 p.m. to accommodate safe travel for the Marlins and admission was waived.

"We had 35 on the varsity roster and we have 33 kids who are here and want to play," Jordan said. "They wanted to be out here representing their school and community."

While there were mistakes borne of inactivity and lack of game action, the Tiger Sharks (7-0 with a trip to North Florida Christian remaining in the regular season) did what needed doing for victory.

They rushed for over 300 yards and ended with 374 total offensive yards.

The defense allowed a touchdown for just the second time this season, and though they limited the Marlins to 240 yards, it was the most yardage Port St. Joe has allowed this season.

Port St. Joe was first on the scoreboard, which was up and running just five minutes before kickoff after rapid repairs, when Josh Butts completed the team's second possession with a winding 21-yard run.

Butts had a game-high 113 yards rushing and was 3 for 6

See **PORT ST. JOE, C3**

Dodgers beat Red Sox in longest Series game

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Exhausted yet exhilarated, the Dodgers headed home for a catnap. The Red Sox may well toss and turn thinking about one that got away.

Max Muncy's home run leading off the bottom of the 18th inning finally ended the longest World Series game in history early Saturday and gave Los Angeles a 3-2 victory over Boston that drew the Dodgers to 2-1 in the best-of-seven matchup.

Muncy homered to left-center on a 3-2 pitch from Nathan Eovaldi, jolting the

remaining fans to their feet at 12:30 a.m. A grinning Muncy tossed his helmet in the air as he headed for third in the final scene of a game that lasted 7 hours, 20 minutes.

"The feeling was just pure joy and incredible excitement," he said.

The Dodgers mobbed Muncy at home plate, celebrating the solo shot that pulled them back from the brink of a potential 3-0 Series deficit that no team has ever recovered from.

The Red Sox could only rue their near-miss.

See **SERIES, C6**



Los Angeles Dodgers' Max Muncy watches his walk off home run off Boston Red Sox pitcher Nathan Eovaldi during the 18th inning. (AP PHOTO/MARK J. TERRILL)

Wewa edges past Franklin County, 8-6

By David Adlerstein

It was an ironic homecoming for Franklin County Friday night. Wewahitchka's 8-6 win broke the Seahawks' hearts, but the home team left the field knowing they had won their opponents' hearts.

In an emotional halftime ceremony, as the Seahawk homecoming court, cheerleaders and scores of fans presented their opponents with a giant wooden Gator mascot, symbolic of their love and support for the Gulf County community clothes-lined by Hurricane Michael's fury.

The Franklin County kids then sang the Katy Perry' hit "Fight Song" to their rivals, and the two sides embraced at midfield. On the field of play, the embrace was less cordial, as the two teams resumed play after a three-week hurricane hiatus.

The rustiness was evident from the opening drive when Bobby Johns' squad, led on the ground by senior fullback Trevor Nunnery and junior Tyreeq Thomas, drove down to the Seahawk 25-yard line only to be stopped cold on a fourth-and-4.

On the Seahawks' opening play, the usually sure-handed sophomore Lamarius Martin coughed up the ball and sophomore linebacker Harley Redd pounced. Led by two tackles for loss by senior defensive end Tonnor Segree, the Seahawks stopped the Gators on downs.

Freshman quarterback Colin Amison connected with Martin on a 30-yard strike, but on the next play Martin caught and then fumbled the pass, and Gator senior linebacker Alex Edwards was there to recover.

The game stayed scoreless

until 3:31 left in the half when on a fourth-and-4 at the Seahawk 16, Nunnery ran it to the 1 and fumbled the ball into the end zone where senior teammate Truman Green jumped on it for the score.

A quarterback keeper by sophomore Creed Pariera accounted for the two-point conversion that would spell the difference in the game. The Seahawks came out strong in their opening drive of the second half and led by senior wingback Colton Evans drove to the Gators' 35-yard line, with Martin taking it on for the score on the next play.

Johns turned to quarterback keepers on first downs, hoping to avoid getting set back on his heels against a pesky Seahawk defense.

"We played pretty well on defense," said Coach Tony Yeomans, whose 2-5 squad hosts Lighthouse Charter on Tuesday afternoon and wraps up its season at home Friday against Munroe. "We had too many turnovers. We'll be back. We'll be alright."

The Seahawks earned a final chance at winning when with 1:08 left in the game on a fourth-and-1 at midfield their defense stopped the Gators' run to force a turnover on downs. Amison managed a first-down completion to junior Javan Pride, but a spirited Gator effort forced a pair of incompletions and a sack as time ran out.

"Our community needed this, our fans needed this and our team needed this," said Johns. "I'm proud of our defense. We played better than we expected."

In addition to the win, the Gators returned home with a trailer filled with water and other donations collected by the Seahawks before the game.

Blountstown blasts Walton, 45-7

The News Herald

BLOUNTSTOWN — Just 27 seconds into Blountstown's game against Walton on Saturday afternoon, the Tigers held a 16-0 lead. Despite a three-week layoff between games due to Hurricane Michael, Blountstown football looked very much the same that it did before the storm.

The Tigers returned to the field for the first time since Oct. 5 and blitzed the Braves 45-7 to improve to 8-1 on the season. Walton remains winless at 0-9. It was complete and utter domination for the Tigers, who outgained the Braves 420-36 for the game and rushed for 309 yards as a team.

Blountstown coach Beau Johnson said the win was great, but more satisfying was the effort by everyone involved with the team just to get to game day.

"I'm just proud of the staff and the kids," he said. "I've been talking about how proud of the kids I am, but I'm proud of my coaching staff too. They had damage to their houses and haven't been able to watch film at all. Everybody had a part in it from the community to the staff to kids to the kids' parents. It's the greatest thing I've ever been a part of."

Senior quarterback Trent Peacock got the Tigers off to a rollicking start, taking the first play from scrimmage 63 yards for a touchdown, and then stepping in front of a Landon Rogers pass on Walton's first play and racing back 50 yards for a touchdown. Two-point conversions from Alex Valdez and Monte Brown made it 16-0 with still 11:33 left in the

first quarter.

Peacock had a whale of a day for Blountstown in all aspects of the game, completing 5 of 7 passes for 111 yards and two touchdowns, rushing three times for 98 yards and a touchdown, and returning an interception for a score.

The onslaught continued with a 32-yard touchdown pass from Peacock to Valdez and a 39-yard TD strike to Monte Brown, with Treven Smith's 2-point conversion making it 30-0 with 36 seconds left in the first quarter. Smith added a 96-yard touchdown run in the third quarter, with Ken Speights' 2-point play increasing the lead to 38-0.

Blountstown's final score of the game came on a 71-yard touchdown run by Logan Pumphrey with 4:52 left in the third quarter. Perhaps the most exciting play of the game came on the point after try after Pumphrey's score, as Peacock took off his wristbands and used them as a makeshift kicking tee to allow backup kicker Abrey Johnson to kick it through the uprights to make it 45-0.

It was a fitting end to an exciting and emotional day for the Tigers, though Beau Johnson it was more of a celebration for his players.

"It was extremely emotional for us, but the kids had a blast," he said. "They were out there dancing and having a great time. It was probably more emotional for the adults than it was for the kids. I hugged my staff. It's a very emotional day, but it's one of the greatest things I've ever been a part of."

Blountstown will next play at Vernon on Friday.

PREP ROUNDUP

Vernon stunned by FAMU, 20-19

The News Herald

TALLAHASSEE — Vernon's five-game winning streak was abruptly snapped by Florida A&M on Friday night, as the Baby Rattlers got a late touchdown and 2-point conversion in the final minute to sneak out the 20-19 victory.

The Baby Rattlers had lost two in a row and four of five coming into the game but took advantage of three Yellowjackets turnovers to notch their third win of the season. Vernon fell to 5-2 with the loss. It was the second straight year that the Baby Rattlers have defeated the Yellowjackets after winning 12-7 in Vernon last season.

"I don't want to say we took them for granted because we knew what they were capable of from last year," Vernon coach Gerald Tranquille said. "We shot ourselves in the foot and couldn't finish drives, but we still had a chance at the end. We just couldn't get off the field."

The Yellowjackets turned the ball over on their first two possessions of the game, with a fumble on the first series resulting in a scoop and score for FAMU. Vernon fought back to take the lead 19-12 on the last of K'wan Powell's three touchdown runs with just over four minutes remaining in the game.

But the extra point was blocked and FAMU marched right back down for the touchdown and go-ahead conversion with 26 seconds on the clock. Powell finished with 238 rushing yards on 27 carries, while Dyvion Bush completed 3 of 11 passes for 51 yards.

Vernon will finish out

the regular season Friday at home against Blountstown.

Marianna 28, Holmes County 8

MARIANNA — The Bulldogs had an easy time of it in their first action since Oct. 5, scoring a touchdown on their opening drive and pulling away with two third quarter scores to ease by the Blue Devils. Marianna is now 3-4 and Holmes County is 2-6.

Damone Rolle scored a rushing touchdown on Marianna's opening series to make it 7-0, where the score remained until halftime. In the third quarter, a Holmes County fumble was picked up by Marianna's Justin Clikas and returned for a touchdown, with Ahmad Johnson later adding a rushing touchdown to make it 21-0 through three quarters.

Paris Harvey added a rushing touchdown in the fourth quarter to make it 28-0 before the Bulldogs started substituting liberally. Marianna coach JD Donaldson said he was happy with his team's performance but mostly just happy to watch his players compete again on a Friday night.

"It's just a victory to get to play," he said. "It was a long 10 days getting the field ready and the kids ready, but it was a blessing to play. It was a great win, but it was just good to play."

The Bulldogs will next play at Graceville on Tuesday in a makeup game previously scheduled for Oct. 12. Marianna is scheduled to finish the regular season Friday against Rutherford at Tommy Oliver

Stadium, though the Rams aren't expected to make a final decision about playing that game until Monday.

Chipley 52, Liberty County 16

BRISTOL — The Tigers scored in just about every way you can score in their blowout victory over the Bulldogs, getting touchdowns rushing, passing, on defense, and on special teams to improve to 3-4 on the season. Liberty County fell to 3-6.

Andrew Lawton led the Chipley offensive attack with 129 rushing yards on 12 carries and two touchdowns, followed by Will Taylor with 59 yards on 12 attempts. Zac Wilson had three catches for 60 yards and a touchdown and added a 60-yard kickoff return touchdown as well. Wilson also contributed 11 tackles on defense, with Blaine Suggs tallying nine stops.

Isaac Berry completed 6 of 10 passes for 97 yards and a touchdown, with Austin Berry giving Chipley another special teams score with a blocked punt that he ran back for a touchdown. Andrew Watford added a fumble return touchdown.

"It was good to get back and good for the kids to play," Chipley coach Blake Wilson said. "Somebody told me that sports can be therapeutic. It was just good to get back to normal and go play on Friday nights again with everything that's happened."

The Tigers will finish out the regular season at home Friday against Holmes County. Liberty County will play host to Sneads on Friday.

PREP FOOTBALL SCORES/SCHEDULE

SCORES

PSJ 34 Arnold 14
South Walton 39 Bozeman 21
Chipley 52 Liberty County 16
Wewahitchka 8, Franklin County 6
FAMU 20, Vernon 19
Marianna 28, Holmes County 8

SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Oct. 30: Arnold at West Florida, Lighthouse at Franklin County, Marianna at Graceville

Friday, Nov. 2: Bozeman at Walton, Blountstown at

Vernon, Holmes County at Chipley, Marianna at Rutherford, Graceville at Baker, Sneads at Liberty County, FAMU at Wewa, Munroe at Franklin County, Bay at Choctaw, Arnold at Florida High, PSJ at NFC, Mosley at Leon

BOZEMAN

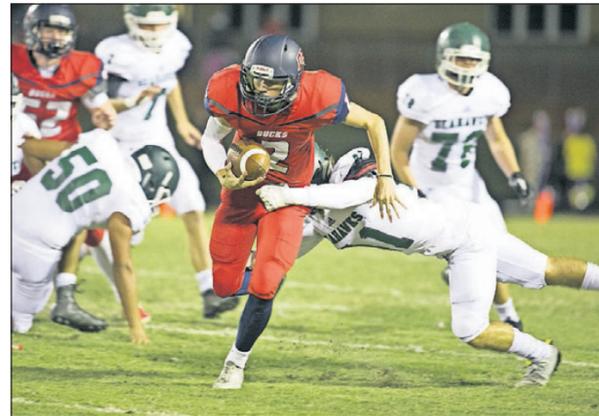
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Jaden Page his favored target with eight receptions for 118 yards and three touchdowns.

South Walton compiled 427 yards of offense on the night compared to just 189 for the Bucks. Hunter Kruger was outstanding in defeat for Bozeman, rushing 14 times for 146 yards and two touchdowns and adding a kickoff return touchdown. Zach Foster completed 11 of 20 passes for 53 yards and an interception.

The Seahawks jumped out to the early lead with two first quarter touchdowns and two 2-point conversions thanks to a 12-yard TD pass from Roberts to Page and a 2-yard plunge from Elias Foreman to go up 16-0. Kruger got the Bucks on the board with a 53-yard touchdown run and a 2-point conversion to cut the deficit in half with under a minute left in the first quarter.

But South Walton continued to put the Bozeman defense on its heels with its up-tempo passing attack, as Roberts led a 10-play, 62-yard scoring drive capped with a 4-yard TD pass to Page to make it 23-8 midway through the second



Bozeman's Zach Foster tries to get away from a South Walton defender. [JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD]

quarter. Kruger kept the Bucks within striking distance with another long touchdown burst, this time from 62 yards out to trim the Seahawks' lead to 26-14 with 8:17 left in the third quarter.

After a 15-yard touchdown pass from Roberts to Cade Roberts with less than two minutes left in the third, Kruger took the ensuing kickoff back 67 yards for another Bozeman touchdown to make it 32-21. The Seahawks wasted little time answering, however, with Drake Roberts hitting Page over the middle for 32 yards before finding him again for a 24-yard score on the first play of the fourth quarter.

Griffin credited the Seahawks for their play but said Friday's game wasn't

a true representation of his team, particularly on the defensive side of the ball.

"We're not in the excuse business over here. We could make a thousand excuses, but I'm not," he said. "Everybody in Northwest Florida knows our defense is better than 39 points, but that's the way it went tonight. I hate to lose just like anybody else, but I can't be upset. We had to play a game and knock some rust off tonight. I hope we'll be able to prepare a little better next week and get a better result and finish our season strong."

Bozeman will play at Walton on Friday in its regular season finale. The Braves were added to the schedule in place of North Bay Haven, which canceled its season.



WEEK 8



Thursday's game

Texans 42, Dolphins 23: Deshaun Watson threw five TD passes as Houston blew the game open in the 2nd half.

AFC AT A GLANCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
New England	5	2	0	.714	214	179	3-1-0	1-2-0	4-1-0	1-1-0	1-0-0
Miami	4	4	0	.500	174	219	3-1-0	1-3-0	3-3-0	1-1-0	1-1-0
N.Y. Jets	3	4	0	.429	182	176	2-2-0	1-2-0	2-3-0	1-1-0	0-1-0
Buffalo	2	5	0	.286	81	175	1-1-0	1-4-0	1-4-0	1-1-0	0-0-0

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Houston	5	3	0	.625	197	167	3-1-0	2-2-0	4-2-0	1-1-0	2-1-0
Tennessee	3	4	0	.429	106	127	2-1-0	1-3-0	2-4-0	1-0-0	2-0-0
Jacksonville	3	4	0	.429	116	146	2-2-0	1-2-0	2-3-0	1-1-0	0-2-0
Indianapolis	2	5	0	.286	189	185	1-2-0	1-3-0	1-4-0	1-1-0	0-1-0

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Pittsburgh	3	2	1	.583	171	154	1-2-0	2-0-1	1-2-1	2-0-0	1-1-1
Cincinnati	4	3	0	.571	184	203	2-1-0	2-2-0	3-2-0	1-1-0	1-1-0
Baltimore	4	3	0	.571	176	101	2-1-0	2-2-0	4-2-0	0-1-0	1-2-0
Cleveland	2	4	1	.357	151	177	2-1-1	0-3-0	2-2-1	0-2-0	1-0-1

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Kansas City	6	1	0	.857	260	182	3-0-0	3-1-0	5-1-0	1-0-0	2-0-0
L.A. Chargers	5	2	0	.714	195	163	3-1-0	2-1-0	4-1-0	1-1-0	1-1-0
Denver	3	4	0	.429	165	164	2-2-0	2-2-0	1-3-0	2-1-0	1-1-0
Oakland	1	5	0	.167	110	176	1-2-0	0-3-0	1-3-0	0-2-0	0-2-0

AFC STAT LEADERS

QUARTERBACKS					PUNT RETURNERS						
Name	Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int	Name	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Mahomes, KC	251	163	2223	22	5	Roberts, NYJ	13	245	18.8	78t	1
Flacco, BAL	303	187	2067	11	4	Grant, MIA	9	162	18.0	71t	1
RtHlsbrgr, PIT	261	170	2033	12	6	T. Hill, KC	9	160	17.8	91t	1
P. Rivers, LAC	220	152	2008	17	3	Harris, OAK	8	121	15.1	49	0
Luck, IND	311	203	1948	20	8	D. King, LAC	12	167	13.9	56	0
Watson, HOU	241	152	1937	10	7	Switzer, PIT	10	103	10.3	22	0
Brady, NE	250	170	1876	16	7	Peppers, CLE	15	146	9.7	33	0
Keenum, DEN	254	161	1848	8	9	Ti. White, BAL	9	75	8.3	14	0
Dalton, CIN	258	164	1822	15	8	Ervin, HOU	18	146	8.1	27	0
D. Carr, OAK	233	167	1783	7	8	Mickens, JAC	12	59	4.9	16	0

RUSHERS					KICKOFF RETURNERS						
Name	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	Name	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
K. Hunt, KC	118	542	4.6	45	5	Jennings, TEN	9	330	36.7	94t	1
Gordon, LAC	91	466	5.1	34	6	Patterson, NE	11	366	33.3	95t	1
Crowell, NYJ	81	459	5.7	77t	5	Grant, MIA	14	452	32.3	102t	1
Conner, PIT	103	453	4.4	30	7	Erickson, CIN	11	342	31.1	51	0
Lindsay, DEN	75	436	5.8	53	2	Murphy, BUF	10	261	26.1	49	0
Michel, NE	95	422	4.4	34t	4	Ervin, HOU	10	253	25.3	36	0
Mixon, CIN	84	386	4.6	31	2	Roberts, NYJ	17	399	23.5	53	0
C. Hyde, CLE	114	382	3.4	22	5	Switzer, PIT	14	296	21.1	35	0
Lynch, OAK	90	376	4.2	52	3	Peppers, CLE	12	253	21.1	28	0
L. Miller, HOU	95	371	3.9	31	1	Pascal, IND	9	182	20.2	28	0

RECEIVERS					SCORING TOUCHDOWNS						
Name	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	Name	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	Pts
Hopkins, HOU	47	707	15.0	49	4	Gordon, LAC	9	6	3	0	58
T. Hill, KC	41	635	15.5	75t	7	K. Hunt, KC	9	5	4	0	54
A. Green, CIN	40	611	15.3	38t	5	T. Hill, KC	8	0	7	1	48
Sanders, DEN	46	603	13.1	64t	3	Conner, PIT	7	7	0	0	46
Kelce, KC	38	563	14.8	43	3	J. White, NE	7	1	6	0	42
S-Schstr, PIT	42	561	13.4	67	2	A. Brown, PIT	6	0	6	0	36
Brown, BAL	28	558	19.9	71	4	Ebron, IND	6	0	6	0	36
K. Allen, LAC	41	506	12.3	25	1						
J. Landry, CLE	41	489	11.9	39	2						
Boyd, CIN	40	482	12.0	49	4						

NFC AT A GLANCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
Washington	4	2	0	.667	126	121	3-1-0	1-1-0	4-1-0	0-1-0	1-0-0
Philadelphia	3	4	0	.429	154	138	2-2-0	1-2-0	2-3-0	1-1-0	1-0-0
Dallas	3	4	0	.429	140	123	3-0-0	0-4-0	2-3-0	1-1-0	1-1-0
N.Y. Giants	1	6	0	.143	137	185	0-3-0	0-3-0	0-5-0	1-1-0	0-2-0

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
New Orleans	5	1	0	.833	204	163	2-1-0	3-0-0	3-1-0	2-0-0	1-1-0
Carolina	4	2	0	.667	142	131	3-0-0	1-2-0	3-2-0	1-0-0	0-1-0
Tampa Bay	3	3	0	.500	167	196	2-1-0	1-2-0	2-2-0	1-1-0	1-1-0
Atlanta	3	4	0	.429	190	212	3-2-0	0-2-0	3-2-0	0-2-0	2-1-0

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
Minnesota	4	2	1	.643	177	165	2-1-0	2-1-1	3-1-1	1-1-0	0-0-1
Green Bay	3	2	1	.583	148	144	3-0-1	0-2-0	2-2-1	1-0-0	1-1-1
Detroit	3	3	0	.500	157	158	2-1-0	1-2-0	1-2-0	2-1-0	1-0-0
Chicago	3	3	0	.500	170	134	2-1-0	1-2-0	3-1-0	0-2-0	0-1-0

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
L.A. Rams	7	0	0	1.000	235	128	3-0-0	4-0-0	4-0-0	3-0-0	3-0-0
Seattle	3	3	0	.500	143	117	1-1-0	2-2-0	2-2-0	1-1-0	1-1-0
Arizona	1	6	0	.143	92	184	0-4-0	1-2-0	1-5-0	0-1-0	1-2-0
San Francisco	1	6	0	.143	158	218	1-2-0	0-4-0	1-4-0	0-2-0	0-2-0

NFC STAT LEADERS

QUARTERBACKS					PUNT RETURNERS						
Name	Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int	Name	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Ryan, ATL	263	187	2335	15	2	Natson, LA	12	206	17.2	60	0
Cousins, MIN	300	210	2162	14	3	Cohen, CHI	13	163	12.5	42	0
Goff, LA	218	152	2130	14	5	D. Carter, PHL	9	103	11.4	42	0
Manning, NYG	268	185	2061	7	4	Sherels, MIN	12	98	8.2	20	0
Rodgers, GBY	254	156	1997	12	1	Kirk, ARI	10	78	7.8	44	0
Brees, NOR	220	170	1870	13	0	Lockett, SEA	13	86	6.6	19	0
Stafford, DET	213	144	1602	12	5	Hmphrs, TAM	10	61	6.1	16	0
Trubisky, CHI	211	139	1594	13	6	Austin, DAL	10	58	5.8	22	0
Wentz, PHL	195	138	1502	10	1	Hardy, ATL	9	43	4.8	14	0
Newton, CAR	209	137	1427	11	4						

RUSHERS					KICKOFF RETURNERS						
Name	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	Name	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Gurley, LA	144	686	4.8	29	11	D. Reed, SNF	11	332	30.2	90	0
E. Elliott, DAL	132	619	4.7	41	3	Countess, LA	10	257	25.7	40	0
Barkley, NYG	98	481	4.9	68t	5	M. Hall, ATL	10	254	25.4	53	0
Breida, SNF	68	445	6.5	66t	2	Lockett, SEA	8	182	22.8	42	0
Johnson, DET	69	444	6.4	71	1	D. Carter, PHL	9	193	21.4	30	0
Peterson, WAS	101	438	4.3	41	3	Williams, ARI	10	192	19.2	29	0
McCaffrey, CAR	78	378	4.8	45	0						
Kamara, NOR	79	363	4.6	49t	6						
Carson, SEA	78	352	4.5	24	1						
Johnson, ARI	106	335	3.2	21	5						

RECEIVERS					SCORING TOUCHDOWNS						
Name	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	Name	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	Pts
Thielen, MIN	67	822	12.3	68	5	Gurley, LA	14	11	3	0	88
Ju. Jones, ATL	53	812	15.3	58	0	Kamara, NOR	7	6	1	0	46
Beckham, NYG	53	649	12.2	51	2	Barkley, NYG	7	5	2	0	44
Ertz, PHL	57	618	10.8	34	2	D. Adams, GBY	6	0	6	0	36
R. Woods, LA	41	602	14.7	36	3	Johnson, ARI	6	5	1	0	36
M. Evans, TAM	40	591	14.8	51	3	Ridley, ATL	6	0			

SCOREBOARD

ON THE AIR

Today
AUTO RACING
1:30 p.m.
 ABC [-] Formula One, Mexican Grand Prix, at Mexico City
 NBCSN [-] NASCAR, Monster Energy Series, First Data 500, at Gateway, Va.
CFL FOOTBALL
Noon
 ESPN2 [-] Toronto at Montreal
DRAG RACING
2:30 p.m.
 FS1 [-] NHRA, Toyota Nationals, qualifying, at Las Vegas (taped)
6 p.m.
 FS1 [-] NHRA, Toyota Nationals, finals, at Las Vegas (same-day taped)
FIGURE SKATING
3 p.m.
 NBC [-] ISU Grand Prix, Skate Canada, at Laval, Quebec (taped)
GOLF
1:30 p.m.
 GOLF [-] PGA Tour, Sanderson Farms Championship, final round, at Jackson, Miss.
4:30 p.m.
 GOLF [-] Champions Tour, Invesco QQQ Championship, final round, at Thousand Oaks, Calif.
8 p.m.
 GOLF [-] LPGA Tour, Swinging Skirts Taiwan Championship, final round, at Taoyuan, Taiwan (same-day tape)
Noon
 CBS [-] Regional

coverage, Denver at Kansas City, Cleveland at Pittsburgh, N.Y. Jets at Chicago OR Baltimore at Carolina
 FOX [-] Regional coverage, Washington at N.Y. Giants, Seattle at Detroit OR Tampa Bay at Cincinnati
3 p.m.
 CBS [-] Regional coverage, Indianapolis at Oakland
3:25 p.m.
 FOX [-] Regional coverage, San Francisco at Arizona OR Green Bay at L.A. Rams
7:20 p.m.
 NBC [-] New Orleans at Minnesota
SOCCER
7:20 a.m.
 FS2 [-] Bundesliga, Bundesliga Nuremberg vs. Eintracht Frankfurt
8:30 a.m.
 NBCSN [-] Premier League, Crystal Palace vs. Arsenal
9:30 a.m.
 FS2 [-] Bundesliga, Leipzig vs. Schalke
11 a.m.
 NBC [-] Premier League, Manchester United vs. Everton
11:55 p.m.
 FS1 [-] Bundesliga, Werder Bremen vs. Bayer Leverkusen
Noon
 ESPN [-] Serie A, AC Milan vs. Sampdoria
3:30 p.m.
 FS1 [-] MLS, Los Angeles FC at Sporting Kansas City
WRESTLING
10 p.m.
 NBCSN [-] UWW World Championships, Day 8, Greco-Roman finals, at Budapest, Hungary (same-day tape)



Golden State Warriors guard Stephen Curry (30) and guard Klay Thompson (11) react to a three-point basket during the second half of Friday's game in New York. [MARY ALTAFFER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Durant scores 41 points, Warriors thump Knicks

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — If this is what Kevin Durant can do at Madison Square Garden, no wonder Knicks fans are so desperate for him to come to New York.

This kind of show was worth seeing more than once a season.

Durant scored 25 of his 41 points in Golden State's ruthless fourth-quarter clinic, and the Warriors beat the Knicks 128-100 on Friday night.

Durant was the center of attention leading into the game and then the star of it in front of fans who hope he will consider the Knicks if he becomes a free agent this summer.

He's not interested in the off-the-court stuff right now, but he loved what happened on the floor in his 10-for-13 final quarter.

"It feels like when you catch every green light when you're going somewhere," Durant said.

New York led by

three after three quarters before Durant and the Warriors starting hitting from all over the floor, making 19 of 26 shots — and things went so well that on a rare long-range miss by Durant, the ball bounced all the way out behind the arc to a wide-open Stephen Curry, who made the 3-pointer.

Asked what changed in the fourth quarter, when Golden State outscored New York 47-16, Knicks coach David Fizdale said: "Kevin Durant."

Curry added 29 points and six 3-pointers, giving him at least five in every game this season. But on the floor where he scored a career-best 54 points in 2013, his performance seemed almost quiet because of Durant.

He finished 17 of 24 from the floor, including 5 of 9 from behind the arc — where one of the misses was a one-legged attempt.

ODDS

PREGAME LINE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Today	FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh	3	3	43		Jacksonville
at Kansas City	7½	8	49		Cleveland
at Chicago	6	7½	44½		N.Y. Jets
at N.Y. Giants	Pk	1	43½		Washington
Detroit	3	3	49½		Seattle
at Cincinnati	5	3½	54½		Tampa Bay
Baltimore	Pk	2½	44		at Carolina
Indianapolis	+1	3	50½		at Oakland
San Francisco	1	1	41½		at Arizona
at L.A. Rams	8½	9½	56½		Green Bay
at Minnesota	2	Pk	52		New Orleans

Monday
 New England 11 14 44 at Buffalo
 Updated odds available at Pregame.com

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Toronto	6	0	1.000	—
Boston	2	2	.600	2½
Brooklyn	3	3	.500	3
Philadelphia	2	3	.400	3½
New York	1	5	.167	5

SOUTHEAST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Charlotte	3	3	.500	—
Miami	2	2	.500	—
Atlanta	2	2	.500	—
Orlando	2	3	.400	½
Washington	1	4	.200	1½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Milwaukee	5	0	1.000	—
Detroit	4	0	1.000	½
Indiana	3	2	.600	2
Chicago	1	4	.200	4
Cleveland	0	5	.000	5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
New Orleans	4	0	1.000	—
San Antonio	2	2	.500	2
Memphis	2	2	.500	2
Dallas	2	3	.400	2½
Houston	1	4	.200	3½

NORTHWEST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Denver	4	1	.800	—
Portland	3	1	.750	½
Utah	2	2	.500	1½
Minnesota	2	4	.333	2½
Oklahoma City	0	4	.000	3½

PACIFIC DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Golden State	5	1	.833	—
L.A. Clippers	3	2	.600	1½
Sacramento	3	3	.500	2
L.A. Lakers	2	3	.400	2½
Phoenix	1	3	.250	3

Thursday's Games

Detroit 110, Cleveland 103
 Portland 128, Orlando 114
 Boston 101, Oklahoma City 95
 L.A. Lakers 121, Denver 114

Friday's Games

Charlotte 135, Chicago 106
 Golden State 128, New York 100
 Toronto 116, Dallas 107
 L.A. Clippers 133, Houston 113
 Milwaukee 125, Minnesota 95
 New Orleans 117, Brooklyn 115
 Sacramento 116, Washington 112

Saturday's Games

Boston at Detroit, late
 Utah at New Orleans, late
 Charlotte at Philadelphia, late
 Chicago at Atlanta, late
 Indiana at Cleveland, late
 Phoenix at Memphis, late
 Portland at Miami, late
 L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, late
 Orlando at Milwaukee, late

HORNETS 135, BULLS 106

CHICAGO (106)
 Holiday 2-7 0-0 5, Hutchison 0-4 0-2 0, Carter Jr. 2-5 2-2 7, Payne 6-10 1-1 15, LaVine 6-16 4-6 20, J.Parker 7-14 3-3 19, Felicio 3-6 3-4 9, Arcidiacono 3-5 0-0 8, Blakeney 5-10 1-2 13, Harrison 3-8 2-2 10. Totals 37-85 16-22 106.

CHARLOTTE (135)
 Batum 4-5 0-0 10, Williams 2-6 0-0 4, Zeller 6-9 2-2 14, Walker 1-18 3-3 30, Lamb 3-7 2-2 10, Bridges 7-10 0-0 15, Kidd-Gilchrist 6-9 3-4 15, Kaminsky 0-2 0-0 0, Hernangomez 0-1 0-0 0, Biyombo 1-2 0-0 2, T.Parker 7-11 3-3 18, Monk 4-10 0-0 10, Bacon 2-3 2-2 7. Totals 53-93 15-16 135.

CHICAGO 25 29 21 31-106
CHARLOTTE 23 45 34 33-135

3-Point Goals—Chicago 16-36 (LaVine 4-8, Harrison 2-3, Payne 2-4, Arcidiacono 2-4, J.Parker 2-5, Blakeney 2-5, Carter Jr. 1-1, Holiday 1-5, Hutchison 0-1), Charlotte 14-32 (Walker 5-10, Batum 2-3, Lamb 2-4, Monk 2-5, T.Parker 1-2, Bacon 1-2, Bridges 1-3, Kaminsky 0-1, Williams 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 34 (Hutchison, Felicio 7), Charlotte 50 (Batum, Kidd-Gilchrist 8). Assists—Chicago 21 (LaVine, Arcidiacono 4), Charlotte 30 (T.Parker 8). Total Fouls—Chicago 16, Charlotte 18. A—15,220 (19,077).

WARRIORS 128, KNICKS 100

GOLDEN STATE (128)
 Durant 17-24 2-2 41, Green 7-8 2-2 18, Jones 1-1 0-2 2, Thompson 6-18 0-0 12, Curry 10-18 3-3 29, McKinnie 3-4 0-0 7, Bell 0-0 0-0 0, Jerebko 3-7 0-0 8, Looney 3-3 3-3 9, Cook 0-1 0-0 0, Livingston 0-1 0-0 0, Iguodala 1-2 0-0 2, Evans 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 51-87 10-12 128.

NEW YORK (100)
 Dotson 5-12 0-0 12, Vonleh 2-4 2-2 7, Robinson 3-5 1-7, Ntilikina 6-11 2-2 17, Hardaway Jr. 9-21 2-3 24, Hezonja 3-9 0-0 6, Thomas 1-4 0-0 2, Kornet 0-0 0-0 0, Kanter 4-9 0-0 8, Burke 5-12 2-3 15, Trier 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 39-90 9-12 100.

GOLDEN STATE 25 28 28 47-128
NEW YORK 25 28 31 16-100

3-Point Goals—Golden State 16-33 (Curry 6-11, Durant 5-9, Green 2-3, Jerebko 2-4, McKinnie 1-1, Cook 0-1, Thompson 0-4), New York 13-39 (Hardaway Jr. 4-12, Burke 3-7, Ntilikina 3-7, Dotson 2-6, Vonleh 1-1, Thomas 0-2, Hezonja 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Golden State 39 (Durant 9), New York 40 (Kanter 13). Assists—Golden State 26 (Green 6), New York 17 (Hardaway Jr., Vonleh 4). Total Fouls—Golden State 16, New York 18. Technicals—Cousins, Robinson. A—19,812 (19,812).

RAPTORS 116, MAVERICKS 107

DALLAS (107)
 Barnes 5-17 3-5 14, Donic 7-14 4-4 22, Jordan 5-10 8-9 18, Brunson 3-11 0-0 8, Matthews 9-15 0-0 21, Finney-Smith 2-6 0-0 5, Kleber 2-6 3-4 8, D.Powell 2-2 0-0 4, Barea 3-11 1-2 7, Macon 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-92 19-24 107.

TORONTO (116)
 Leonard 7-16 6-6 21, Siakam 4-8 2-2 10, Valanciunas 7-16 3-4 17, Lowry 8-14 1-2 20, Green 4-8 3-15, Miles 4-6 0-0 10, N.Powell 1-1 0-0 2, Ibaka 5-13 1-1 11, Brown 4-8 0-0 9, Richardson 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 44-91 17-20 116.

DALLAS 26 34 29 18-107
TORONTO 39 30 23 24-116

3-Point Goals—Dallas 12-30 (Donic 4-6, Matthews 3-8, Brunson 2-4, Finney-Smith 1-2, Kleber 1-4, Barnes 1-5, Barea 0-1), Toronto 11-27 (Green 4-7, Lowry 3-6, Miles 2-2, Brown 1-2, Leonard 1-3, Richardson 0-1, Valanciunas 0-1, Siakam 0-2, Ibaka 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 44 (Jordan 15), Toronto 50 (Leonard 9). Assists—Dallas 22 (Jordan 5), Toronto 23 (Lowry 12). Total Fouls—Dallas 17, Toronto 22. A—19,800 (19,800).

PELICANS 117, NETS 115

BROOKLYN (115)
 Harris 3-6 0-0 7, Dudley 3-7 0-0 9, Allen 3-6 1-2 7, Russell 9-16 0-0 24, LeVert 8-23 4-5 21, Hollis-Jefferson 2-7 0-0 4, E.Davis 2-6 1-2 5, Napier 6-11 1-3 16, Dinwiddie 4-7 0-0 11, Crabbe 3-9 3-3 11. Totals 43-98 10-15 115.

NEW ORLEANS (117)
 Moore 5-10 3-5 15, A.Davis 6-19 5-7 18, Mirotic 3-7 4-4 10, Payton 7-16 2-2 17, Holiday 9-19 5-5 26, Hill 1-3 0-0 2, Johnson 1-2 1-2 3, Miller 1-3 0-0 3, Randle 7-14 0-1 14, Clark 4-5 0-0 9. Totals 44-98 20-26 117.

BROOKLYN 30 36 25 24-115
NEW ORLEANS 32 25 31 29-117

3-Point Goals—Brooklyn 19-40 (Russell 6-9, Dinwiddie 3-5, Napier 3-6, Dudley 3-6, Crabbe 2-6, Harris 1-2, LeVert 1-6), New Orleans 9-23

(Holiday 3-7, Moore 2-4, Clark 1-1, Miller 1-2, Payton 1-3, A.Davis 1-3, Hill 0-1, Randle 0-1, Mirotic 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Brooklyn 54 (E.Davis 11), New Orleans 46 (A.Davis 14). Assists—Brooklyn 26 (Dinwiddie 5), New Orleans 23 (Payton 6). Total Fouls—Brooklyn 22, New Orleans 20. Technicals—E. Davis. A—15,272 (16,867).

CLIPPERS 133, ROCKETS 113

L.A. CLIPPERS (133)
 Harris 5-14 3-3 15, Gallinari 4-5 7-7 16, Gortat 0-1 0-0 0, Beverley 1-3 0-0 3, Bradley 6-10 1-1 14, Scott 3-7 0-0 6, Harrell 8-13 14-15 30, Marjanovic 1-2 1-2 3, Gilgeous-Alexander 3-7 3-4 10, Teodosic 3-4 0-0 8, Robinson 1-3 0-0 3, Wallace 1-1 0-0 2, Williams 7-9 6-6 23. Totals 43-79 35-38 133.

HOUSTON (113)
 Anthony 8-18 2-3 24, Tucker 5-12 0-0 12, Capela 6-10 2-2 14, Paul 3-13 6-12, Gordon 3-14 3-3 10, Hartenstein 1-4 4-4 6, Clark 2-5 0-0 6, Carter-Williams 3-8 4-6 10, Green 7-14 1-1 19. Totals 38-98 22-25 113.

L.A. CLIPPERS 31 39 26 37-133
HOUSTON 30 31 22 30-113

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 12-23 (Williams 3-4, Teodosic 2-3, Harris 2-3, Gilgeous-Alexander 1-1, Gallinari 1-2, Robinson 1-2, Beverley 1-3, Bradley 1-3, Scott 0-2), Houston 15-41 (Anthony 6-10, Green 4-9, Clark 2-5, Tucker 2-6, Gordon 1-6, Carter-Williams 0-1, Paul 0-2, Hartenstein 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 44 (Harris 9), Houston 42 (Capela 15). Assists—L.A. Clippers 17 (Teodosic 5), Houston 21 (Paul 8). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 21, Houston 27. Technicals—Harris, Harrell, Marjanovic, Houston coach Rockets (Defensive three second), Houston team, Tucker. A—18,055 (18,500).

BUCKS 125, TIMBERWOLVES 95

MILWAUKEE (125)
 Middleton 6-10 0-0 16, Antetokounmpo 5-9 5-6 15, Lopez 4-9 0-0 11, Bledsoe 3-6 0-1 6, Brogdon 6-8 0-0 13, Ilyasova 6-10 2-2 16, Maker 3-4 1-2 8, Henson 3-6 0-0 9, Dellavedova 2-4 0-0 6, Snell 3-7 0-0 7, Brown 1-2 0-0 2, DiVincenzo 4-9 0-0 9, Connaughton 3-8 0-0 7. Totals 49-92 8-11 125.

MINNESOTA (95)
 Butler 2-11 0-0 4, Gibson 4-9 3-5 11, Towns 7-16 0-0 16, Teague 2-10 0-1 4, Okogie 2-10 0-0 4, Deng 2-7 0-0 4, Nunnally 2-4 3-3 9, Bates-Diop 0-1 0-0 0, Tolliver 4-9 0-0 11, Dieng 2-8 2-2 6, Rose 5-13 3-5 14, Jones 4-13 2-2 12, Williams 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 36-112 13-18 95.

MILWAUKEE 27 36 34 28-125
MINNESOTA 16 22 29 28-95

3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 19-46 (Middleton 4-7, Henson 3-4, Lopez 3-7, Dellavedova 2-3, Ilyasova 2-5, Maker 1-2, Brogdon 1-2, Snell 1-4, DiVincenzo 1-5, Connaughton 1-5, Antetokounmpo 0-1, Bledsoe 0-1), Minnesota 10-43 (Tolliver 3-7, Nunnally 2-4, Jones 2-4, Towns 2-5, Rose 1-3, Williams 0-1, Gibson 0-1, Dieng 0-1, Deng 0-3, Butler 0-4, Teague 0-5, Okogie 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 62 (Antetokounmpo, Henson 12), Minnesota 49 (Gibson, Dieng, Towns 7). Assists—Milwaukee 32 (Bledsoe 9), Minnesota 19 (Teague, Jones 4). Total Fouls—Milwaukee 23, Minnesota 15. A—16,334 (19,356).

KINGS 116, WIZARDS 112

WASHINGTON (112)
 Porter Jr. 2-6 0-0 5, Morris 6-10 0-0 13, Mahinmi 1-2 2-4 4, Wall 9-20 7-8 26, Beal 6-19 6-21, Oubre Jr. 8-13 1-1 22, Green 5-8 2-2 13, Rivers 2-6 0-0 6, Satoransky 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 40-86 18-23 112.

SACRAMENTO (116)
 Shumpert 0-4 0-0 0, Bjelica 9-16 2-3 26, Cauley-Stein 7-15 3-6 17, Fox 7-14 2-4 18, Hield 8-17 4-5 22, Jackson 3-9 0-0 7, Giles III 1-1 1-1 3, Bagley III 5-11 0-2 11, Mason 1-4 1-1 3, Ferrell 2-3 1-1 6, Williams 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 44-95 14-23 116.

WASHINGTON 27 34 24 27-112
SACRAMENTO 28 27 24 37-116

3-Point Goals—Washington 14-42 (Oubre Jr. 5-8, Beal 3-11, Rivers 2-5, Green 1-2, Porter Jr. 1-4, Morris 1-5, Wall 1-6, Mahinmi 0-1), Sacramento 14-37 (Bjelica 6-10, Fox 2-5, Hield 2-7, Williams 1-1, Bagley III 1-1, Ferrell 1-2, Jackson 1-7, Mason 0-2, Shumpert 0-2). Fouled Out—Wall. Rebounds—Washington 42 (Oubre Jr., Green 9), Sacramento 53 (Bjelica 12). Assists—Washington 22 (Wall 8), Sacramento 25 (Fox 9). Total Fouls—Washington 27, Sacramento 18. Technicals—Morris, Fox. A—14,101 (17,608).

PRO HOCKEY

NHL
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	9	7	1	1	15	32	20
Toronto	10	7	3	0	14	38	32
Boston	10	6	2	2	14	34	24
Montreal	9	5	2	2	12	30	25
Buffalo	10	6	4	0	12	26	28
Ottawa	9	4	4	1	9	32	35
Florida	8	2	3	3	7	26	32
Detroit	10	1	7	2	4	21	41

METROPOLITAN DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Carolina	10	6	3	1	13	33	29
Pittsburgh	8	5	1	2	12	35	26
Columbus	9	5	4	0	10	31	34
Washington	9	4	3	2	10	35	34
New Jersey	7	4	2	1	9	25	18
Philadelphia	10	4	6	0	8	31	40
N.Y. Islanders	8	3	4	1	7	22	23
N.Y. Rangers	10	3	6	1	7	25	34

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Nashville	10	8	2	0	16	35	23
Colorado	11	7	2	2	16	39	24
Winnipeg	11	7	3	1	15	33	29
Chicago	10	6	2	2	14	37	34
Minnesota	9	5	2	2	12	26	25
Dallas	9	5	4	0	10	28	25
St. Louis	9	2	4	3	7	29	36

PACIFIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Vancouver	11	6	5	0	12	31	35
San Jose	10	5	3	2	12	34	28
Anaheim	11	5	5	1	11	27	30
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SPORTS TICKER

IN BRIEF

HOUSTON Texans' Fuller out for season with torn ligament

Texans receiver Will Fuller has a torn knee ligament and will miss the rest of the season, a big blow to a team that has won five in a row and is coming off a high-scoring victory.

He was injured during the fourth quarter Thursday night against Miami when he became entangled with a defender and tumbled to the ground.

Coach Bill O'Brien said Friday he doesn't know when Fuller will have surgery to repair the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee.

"I'm very disappointed for Will because Will's a great guy," O'Brien said. "He's really been playing at a high level."

Fuller had a season-high 124 yards receiving with a 73-yard touchdown on Thursday before the injury. He had 503 yards receiving and four touchdowns in seven games this season. The third-year player was a first-round pick in 2016.

KIGALI, RWANDA FIFA puts new tournaments on hold

A \$25 billion overhaul of world soccer competitions was put on hold after mounting disapproval from European leaders and clubs saw FIFA President Gianni Infantino backtrack on Friday and accept more consultation was necessary to avert a crisis.

A vote was abandoned hours before the council meeting where Infantino hoped to secure approval from his council on the principle of revamping the Club World Cup and establishing a Global Nations League.

"I am happy to have contributed to peace in the world today," Infantino said. "We will work to see whether we can find something that suits everyone."

Infantino will lead a task force featuring the regional confederation presidents to explore the merits of the formats that are being strongly resisted by UEFA President Aleksander Ceferin.

SINGAPORE Osaka retires with injury, Bertens reaches semis

U.S. Open champion Naomi Osaka finished her debut appearance at the WTA Finals on Friday with an injury and an 0-3 record.

Osaka was trailing Kiki Bertens 6-3 when she retired from the match with an upper left leg injury.

Bertens was awarded a straight-set victory and has advanced to the semifinals.

"I hurt my left hamstring in the first match," Osaka said. "It was just getting worse and worse every time I played."

"I just really wanted to try because this is the last tournament, and I felt it was really unfair to everyone that came to watch."

Sloane Stephens also advanced to the semifinals, improving to 3-0 by beating Angelique Kerber 6-3, 6-3.

The Associated Press

"She relays her message in my opinion in a subtle way. It's strong but it's subtle. But she still knows whatever message she puts out there, everyone gets it."

Nellie Biles, Simone's mother



DON'T CALL IT A COMEBACK

Simone says: Biles ready to soar at World Championships

Simone Biles performs on the floor during the artistic gymnastics women's team final at the 2016 Summer Olympics on Aug. 9, 2016, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. [MORRY GASH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

By Will Graves
The Associated Press

Simone Biles wants to get this out of the way first. She didn't return to gymnastics to appease anyone. Not her sponsors. Not her family. And not the organization she represents.

This "comeback" — a word the Olympic champion isn't really a fan of — is about curiosity and self-respect. To see how far she can go. What boundaries she can push. How good she really is. That's all.

The rest of it — from her burgeoning stardom that's made going to the mall difficult without friends as a buffer, to her unique and increasingly vocal critiques of USA Gymnastics as it tries to plot a way forward amid the fallout of the Larry Nassar sexual abuse scandal — is just details.

The 21-year-old insists what she is doing is no big deal. New coach Laurent Landi throws down a challenge and she gives it a shot. She sees something amiss at USA Gymnastics and speaks up, whether it's the about maddening silence of former president and CEO Kerry Perry or the baffling, botched and brief hiring of former U.S. Representative Mary Bono as Perry's interim replacement.

Asked if she's aware of the significant influence she wields within her sport as she prepares for a return to the world championships starting Saturday in Doha, Qatar, Biles is matter-of-fact. The three-time world all-around champion and 14-time world championship medalist won't hesitate to let her feelings be known "as long as it's in a positive manner."

Some days, it's telling Perry to start talking publicly because "that's her job." Others it's calling out Bono on Twitter for marking over the Nike swoosh on her golf shoes, Bono's way of protesting Nike's decision to have former NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick serve as the centerpiece of an ad campaign. Still others, it's wearing a teal leotard — as she did during the finals of the U.S. Championships — as a tribute to survivors of sexual abuse, herself included.

Biles acknowledged in



Simone Biles bites her gold medal for the artistic gymnastics women's individual all-around final at the 2016 Summer Olympics on Aug. 11, 2016, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. [DMITRI LOVETSKY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

January she was among the hundreds of women who say they were abused by Nassar, a former team doctor at USA Gymnastics now serving up to 175 years in prison for molesting women and girls and possessing child pornography. She remains in treatment as part of her recovery. One of the byproducts is becoming more comfortable in her own skin, a maturity that's allowed her to embrace her role as an agent of change, albeit in her own unique style.

When Biles has something to say, she does it with a "real talk" bluntness that eschews volume and anger for something quieter and more direct.

"She relays her message in my opinion in a subtle way," her mother, Nellie Biles, said. "It's strong but it's subtle. But she still knows whatever message she puts out there, everyone gets it."

Biles simply wants USA Gymnastics "to speak up, take ownership and do what's right" as it tries to dig itself out of the Nassar mess. The organization's rocky two years since Nassar's first victims came forward have included a massive overhaul among its national staff and dozens of changes in response to an independent investigation.

And while that's all fine, Biles wonders if USA Gymnastics is now bending too far the other way. The new regulations require athletes attending national team camps to be escorted by a chaperone. Biles traveled by herself while flying from Houston to Bradenton earlier this month.

While she understands the need for a culture change, she also thinks the young team she will lead on to the floor at Aspire Academy on Saturday under the guidance of new high performance coordinator Tom Forster could sometimes use a not-so-gentle nudge in the right direction.

"In reality I think there does need to be somebody to be tough on them so we can do what we need to do," Biles said. "Not abusive or anything, but someone people are kind of afraid of in a good way."

Here's the thing though: the one person the team may be afraid of, at least in some small way, is Biles. She is the lone holdover from the team that dominated the 2016 Olympics, winning nearly half of the medals available. Her four gold medals and five overall tied records. Now she finds herself calling girls who have long looked up to her teammates.

"I think it is very different (than 2016)," Biles said. "I do feel a part (from the group) in a way. But I feel like we're trying to work as a team. We're trying to learn to work as a team. Obviously that's going to take some time as well."

The process is already underway. The Americans have been in Qatar for the better part of a week, with Biles standing side by side (and sometimes arm in arm) with 2017 world champion Morgan Hurd, 2016 Olympic alternate and 2017 national champion Ragan Smith, Riley McCusker, Grace McCallum and Kara Eaker.

Former NHL president dies at 84

The Associated Press

John Ziegler Jr., the NHL president who oversaw the merger with the World Hockey Association and was eventually ousted following labor unrest and a players' strike in 1992, has died. He was 84.

The NHL confirmed Ziegler's death on its website, although the cause was not immediately known. He was living in Florida.

Ziegler was the NHL's fourth president, succeeding Clarence Campbell in 1977 and serving 15 years. He was the first American to run the league and was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 1987.

Two years after he became president, the NHL merged with the WHA. It added four teams from the upstart league — the Edmonton Oilers, Winnipeg Jets, Quebec Nordiques and Hartford Whalers.

While the Jets, Nordiques and Whalers eventually relocated, the Oilers quickly found success in the NHL, winning four Stanley Cups between 1984 and 1988 on a superstar-laden team led by Wayne Gretzky.

The Oilers posted a picture of Ziegler handing the Stanley Cup to a beaming Gretzky on the team's Twitter feed.

Gary Bettman said in a statement that Ziegler was "instrumental in the NHL's transition to becoming a more international league" by increasing the number of European players and opening the door for Russians to compete in North America.

The commissioner noted that while Ziegler was president the league expanded from 18 to 24 teams, the share of European-born players in the NHL grew from 2 to 11 percent and games between NHL and European clubs became a nearly annual tradition.

"John provided invaluable counsel during my early days as commissioner and was always generous with his time," Bettman said.

Contentious labor talks between the NHL and the NHL Players' Association over playoff bonuses, free agency and pension funds led to the players voting to strike in the final weeks of the 1991-92 season. The strike lasted 10 days.

League owners unhappy with the labor agreement ousted Ziegler two months later. He was replaced on an interim basis by Gil Stein. The NHL hired Bettman the following year and appointed him the league's first commissioner.

Ziegler was from Grosse Pointe, Michigan, and broke into the NHL with the ownership group of the Detroit Red Wings in 1959.



Ziegler

Vaughn's 3 touchdowns spark Vandy past Arkansas, 45-31

The Associated Press

Ke'Shawn Vaughn rushed for 172 yards and three touchdowns to help Vanderbilt earn its first Southeastern Conference victory of the season with a 45-31 win over Arkansas on Saturday.

Kyle Shurmur added a pair of touchdown passes to Jared Pinkney for the Commodores (4-5, 1-4), who earned their first SEC win since a victory over Tennessee to end last season.

Vaughn ran 26 times in his return after missing last week's loss to Kentucky with an injury, including a 63-yard touchdown burst for Vanderbilt's first score. He finished just short of his career-best of 180 yards rushing, set as a freshman with Illinois in 2015.

Shurmur finished 13-of-19 passing for 192 yards, and Pinkney had five catches for 93 yards and the two scores.

Rakeem Boyd ran 19 times for 113 yards for the Razorbacks (2-7, 0-5), the third time in four games the sophomore has topped the 100-yard mark in rushing.

After missing last week's game with a concussion, Arkansas quarterback Ty Storey returned and completed 23 of 36 passes for 240 yards. He also threw two touchdowns and two interceptions.

Virginia 31, North Carolina 21

Bryce Perkins threw for three touchdowns and ran for another and Virginia beat North Carolina.

Perkins ran for 112 yards for the Cavaliers (6-2, 4-1 ACC), who are in first place in the ACC's Coastal Division. They gained bowl eligibility for the second year in a row, a first for the program since it went to four in a row from 2002-05. They also won their third conference game in a row for the first time since 2011.

The loss was the fourth straight for the Tar Heels (1-6, 1-4), and ended their four-game winning streak on Virginia's home field.

On a day when Perkins connected for scores with Joe Reed (27 yards), Hasise Dubois (33) and Evan Butts (16), he also found Olamide Zaccheaus 10 times for 108 yards, allowing Zaccheaus to pass Billy McMullen (210) as the school's career receptions leader with 213.



Vanderbilt running back Ke'Shawn Vaughn is tripped up by an Arkansas defender in the first half. [AP PHOTO/MICHAEL WOODS]

The Cavaliers led 17-14 at halftime, but Perkins hit Dubois for a 33-yard score early in the third quarter and the defense limited North Carolina to two first downs and 43 yards. Perkins' 16-yard pass to Butts on the first play of the fourth quarter made it 31-14.

Michael Carter scored from a yard out for the Tar Heels with 7:53 to play, but their last possession ended with a fourth-down incompletion as Nathan Elliott struggled against more pressure and the absence of a running game. They gained just 66 yards on the ground.

Wake Forest 56, Louisville 35

Matt Colburn II rushed for career highs of 243 yards and three touchdowns, Sam Hartman threw two TD passes and Wake Forest rolled up 591 yards in a rout of Louisville.

The Demon Deacons (4-4, 1-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) had their way offensively in a high-scoring matchup of schools seeking their first league win. They scored TDs on five of their first six first-half possessions and broke



Arkansas tight end Cheyenne O'Grady makes a one-handed catch in front of Vanderbilt defensive back Frank Coppet.

[AP PHOTO/MICHAEL WOODS]

500 yards for the fourth time this season, the second in ACC play.

Colburn, who had committed verbally to Louisville before his scholarship offer was pulled, encountered little resistance from the Cardinals (2-6, 0-5). The senior ran for

scores of 74, 56 and 12 yards on the way to his career best and finished with an average of 12.2 yards on 20 attempts.

Wake ended up rushing for 368 yards. Hartman completed 16 of 24 passes for 223 yards as Wake Forest beat Louisville for the second year in a row.

Louisville's Trey Smith rushed for a career-high three TDs and 98 yards on 13 carries. Jawon Pass added a career-best 358 yards passing and a TD, but the Cardinals (532 yards) were left playing catch-up after scoring on the game's opening drive.

FSU

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"I felt like we had some guys that quit on our football team and that's can't be tolerated," Florida State coach Willie Taggart said. "You quit, you don't play."

Deondre Francois completed 17 of 36 passes for 180 yards and an interception for the Seminoles before departing due to injury. James Blackman came in and had a 73-yard touchdown pass to Keyshawn Helton.

Florida State was one-dimensional on offense, rushing 35 times for -21 yards. Clemson forced the Seminoles to punt 12 times, including Florida State's first five possessions.

"Our defense set the tempo for the day right out of the gate," Swinney said.

Florida State had not allowed 30 points in 11 straight games, but that streak was snapped less than a minute into the third quarter when Lawrence connected with Rodgers on a 58-yard catch and run.

THE TAKEAWAY

Clemson: The Tigers have cruised the last three weeks by a combined 163-20.

Florida State: Florida State is 0-5 against ranked teams since the start of the 2017



Clemson's Christina Wilkins (42) celebrates his touchdown in the first half. [AP PHOTO/MARK WALLHEISER]

season. Four of those losses are by double digits, including a 31-14 loss at Clemson last fall.

UP NEXT

Clemson: Hosts Louisville

next Saturday.

Florida State: Visits No. 22 North Carolina State next Saturday, the second of three straight ranked opponents on the schedule. Florida State also plays at No. 3 Notre Dame on Nov. 10.

SERIES

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They were oh-so-close in the 13th to taking a commanding Series lead. But veteran second baseman Ian Kinsler's wide throw on a two-out grounder by Yasiel Puiglet Los Angeles score the tying run.

"Had the last out in my glove and couldn't get it over there. It's tough to swallow," Kinsler said.

"I feel like I let the team down right there," he said.

Said Red Sox manager Alex Cora: "It was just a bad night."

"We had some situations that we could have put them away and then we didn't. And at the end we paid the price," he said.

Evoking memories of Kirk Gibson's winning pinch-hit homer in Game 1 of the 1988 World Series, Muncy came within feet of ending it in the bottom of the 15th. But his shot to right sailed just foul and he ended up striking out.

"I really thought I had it," Muncy said. "That was kind of defeating at that point, but I was able to get back and get another shot."

The battle of attrition had a bit of everything, including 18 pitchers, 27 position players and 561 pitches. Never before had a Series game gone more than 14 innings.

Two games in one, really. And a fall classic, indeed.

"It was a must-win for us. Our guys just persevered," Dodgers manager Dave Roberts said.

How long did they play? Put it this way: The game took 15 minutes more than the entire 1939 World Series when the Yankees swept Cincinnati, STATS said.

Long after rookie Walker Buehler dazzled over seven shutout innings for the Dodgers, things got interesting.

The Red Sox tied it 1-11 in the eighth on a homer by Jackie Bradley Jr. and took a 2-1 lead in the 13th.

The Dodgers answered with the tying run in the bottom of the inning.

After Dodgers center fielder Cody Bellinger made the throw of his life in the 10th, both teams scored on bizarre errors in the 13th.

Cora used starter David Price in relief, rotated his outfielders in the middle of innings and even put catcher Christian Vazquez at first base for the first time in his big league career.

Out of position players, Roberts called on ace Clayton Kershaw to pinch-hit in the 17th. He flew out.

The stadium organ was busy, too, launching into "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" in the 14th inning — a second version of the seventh-inning stretch. Not many had left by then.

Elliott on a hot streak, eyeing NASCAR crown

By Jenna Fryer
The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Chase Elliott first had to figure out how to stop losing races before he could find his way to victory lane.

It took probably a dozen defeats in NASCAR's Cup Series before Elliott stepped up on the road course at Watkins Glen to finally close out his first win. That August victory locked him into the playoffs, and he booked the second round of the championship chase with victories at Dover and Kansas.

Now Elliott is on to the third round of the playoffs — winner of two of the last three races, and three of the last 11 dating to his Watkins Glen breakthrough — and is perhaps a legitimate title contender. Once that first victory was out of the way, Elliott switched into another gear knowing he could win at the highest level.

Crew chief Alan Gustafson likened it to a change in mental approach that all athletes face.

"I always feel like when you're in a situation, whatever



Elliott

it is, if you're shooting a foul shot, hitting a golf shot, racing a car, when you come up to the foul line, is your mind saying to yourself, 'I'm going to make it?' Or 'I'm going to miss it?' That psychology is a huge part of success," Gustafson said.

"As you get confidence and wins, you make foul shots, when you get to the line you know you're going to make them. I don't feel like his personality has changed, but I think now when he looks at that opportunity, he is looking at it more like 'Yes, I can do this' instead of the 100 things that can go wrong."

And plenty of things went wrong for Elliott after he won the Xfinity Series championship in 2014, when he was 18 and finally eligible to run a full NASCAR season. Plans were formed in 2015 for his move to the big leagues with Hendrick Motorsports as the replacement for retiring four-time

champion Jeff Gordon. Elliott was in the seat not long after his 20th birthday.

He is the son of Hall of Famer Bill Elliott, NASCAR's 1988 champion and a record 16-time winner of the most popular driver award. Chase Elliott entered NASCAR with a built-in fan base that wants him to match the success of his father. Because he's with Hendrick, in Gordon's old ride, the wins should have been immediate, right?

Elliott did win the pole for his Daytona 500 debut, but he finished 37th. His rookie season netted five finishes of second or third, a 10th-place finish in the standings and no wins.

Year 2 was like a bad repeat. The pole again at Daytona and nothing to show for that effort. Even worse? Five runner-up finishes and almost certain victory snatched away at Martinsville Speedway. Elliott was leading late in the race at the Virginia track with only a few laps remaining before what would have been both his first victory and an automatic spot in the championship finale.



Utah running back Zack Moss, top, sprints out of a tackle attempt by UCLA linebacker Tyree Thompson during Friday's game in Pasadena, Calif.

[KYUSUNG GONG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

No. 23 Utah rolls over UCLA behind Moss' career night

By Dan Greenspan
The Associated Press

PASADENA, Calif. — Zack Moss rushed for a career-high 211 yards and scored three touchdowns, helping No. 23 Utah beat UCLA 41-10 on Friday night.

Britain Covey had 132 all-purpose yards and threw a touchdown pass for the Utes (6-2, 4-2 Pac-12), who won their fourth consecutive game. Armand Shyne ran for a touchdown and Matt Gay kicked two field goals.

"We got back to playing Utah football and we've been able to do a lot of good things," Moss said.

Joshua Kelley ran for 90 yards and a touchdown, but the Bruins (2-6, 2-3) were unable to get their third straight win. Wilton Speight was 20 of 40 for 164 yards passing.

Utah scored 28 straight points after falling behind 7-3 in the first quarter. Covey threw a 7-yard touchdown pass to tight end Cole Fotheringham off a reverse to make it 10-7 midway through the second quarter, and Moss had 1-yard touchdown runs in the second and third quarter.

"Some of those runs Zack made were sheer toughness and willpower," Utah coach Kyle Whittingham said. "He's like a sledgehammer in between the tackles."

Shyne's 2-yard touchdown run made it 31-7 after Julian Blackmon picked off Speight, who started for the first time since sustaining a back injury in the season opener against Cincinnati.

Utah scored 40 points in four consecutive conference games for the first time since 2004, when the undefeated team coached by Urban Meyer closed out the regular season with five such games as a member of the Mountain West.

"Everyone is just flowing in the right direction and we need to, especially at the back end of the year," Moss said. "It's like we're fresh and everyone else is dead right now because we've

worked so hard."

Kelley had a 25-yard touchdown run on fourth-and-inches in the first quarter to give UCLA an early lead, but the Bruins defense could not keep Moss and Utah's rushing offense in check. Utah finished with 325 yards on the ground and averaged 6.5 yards per carry.

"We didn't tackle well in the first half, we didn't tackle well in the second half," UCLA coach Chip Kelly said.

Utah safety Marquise Blair was ejected for targeting in the third quarter and will miss the first half at Arizona State. Blair made helmet-to-helmet contact with Speight when he was sliding at the end of an 11-yard run.

The takeaway

Utah: The Utes avoided the letdown that has kept them from winning the Pac-12 South in previous seasons. Utah had followed home wins over Southern California in 2014 and 2016 with road losses, but there was no such slip-up this season. If Utah can maintain dominant play on both sides of the line of scrimmage for three more conference games, coach Kyle Whittingham will finally reach the Pac-12 title game for the first time on Nov. 30.

UCLA: The Bruins still have work to do. Consecutive wins might have created the impression UCLA had turned the corner in Chip Kelly's first season, but there were too many drops, penalties and missed tackles to take advantage when Utah appeared vulnerable early on.

Poll implications

With a fourth straight impressive win, Utah will be in the Top 25 for the second straight week. A resume that includes narrow losses to No. 15 Washington and No. 14 Washington State might also get a closer examination from voters.



Boston College's Max Richardson (14) tackles Miami's Travis Homer during the first half Friday in Boston. [ASSOCIATED PRESS/MICHAEL DWYER]

Miami falls to Boston College, 27-14

The Associated Press

BOSTON — AJ Dillon carried it 32 times for 149 yards and a touchdown, Anthony Brown threw for a score and ran for another and Boston College beat Miami 27-14 on Friday night.

It was only BC's fourth victory in its last 22 meetings against Miami.

Brown went 15 of 28 for 152 yards with an interception, and Jeff Smith had a TD catch for the Eagles (6-2, 3-1 ACC). BC has six wins in October for the first time since 2009.

Malik Rosier completed 18 of 35 passes for 149 yards and a TD, but was intercepted twice, leading to 10 BC points.

DeeJay Dallas added a TD run for Miami (5-3, 2-2).

The Hurricanes hardly look like a team that opened the season ranked eighth in the AP Top 25. They sputtered on offense and gave up big yardage plays defensively.

Miami hosts Duke next Saturday.

La. Tech 21, FAU 13

BOCA RATON — J'Mar Smith threw for 217 yards and a touchdown and Louisiana Tech (6-2, 4-1 C-USA) beat Florida Atlantic (3-5, 1-3) to snap the Owls' 10-game home winning streak.

Louisiana Tech (6-2, 4-1 Conference USA), which

is bowl eligible for the fifth straight season, scored two touchdowns in the final three minutes of the first half for a 14-10 lead.

Rafe Peavey made his first start of the season, replacing seven-game starter Chris Robison, and was 15-of-26 passing with an interception for FAU.

Devin Singletary carried it 19 times for 171 yards and one touchdown. Singletary scored on the opening drive for his nation-leading 15th rushing touchdown of the season.

He's tied with quarterbacks Eric Crouch and Colin Kaepernick for 11th in FBS history with 59 rushing touchdowns.



Tony Finau adjusts his cap during the second round of the HSBC Champions, Friday at Sheshan International Golf Club in Shanghai. [ING HAN GUAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Finau overcomes wild break to lead HSBC

The Associated Press

SHANGHAI — Tony Finau has enjoyed such a good year that he wasn't about to let one bad break get him down Friday in the HSBC Champions.

Finau had just built a three-shot lead as Patrick Reed began to stumble when Finau hit an approach from the rough on the 11th hole toward the green at Sheshan International. The ball landed on a sprinkler, shot high in the air and rolled over the back and into the hazard. It led to a double bogey and cut his lead to one shot.

Finau didn't flinch, however.

He had a pair of birdies on the par 5s, laid up on the reachable par-4 16th and made birdie, and wound up with a 5-under 67. That put him at 11-under 133, three shots clear of Reed (72), Tommy Fleetwood (68) and defending champion Justin Rose (67).

"That was about as bad a break as I've ever had, to kick all the way over the green into the hazard," Finau said. "One thing I've learned in this game, you take the good with the bad and keep moving forward. I knew I was playing well still and still at the top

of the leaderboard. Just keep plugging along and try to get that back and I was able to do that."

Reed opened with a pair of quick birdies in a swirling wind that came out of the opposite direction of the first round. He made his first bogey of the tournament on the fifth hole of the second round by missing a 4-foot putt after a smart chip shot from deep rough. Then, he hit into the water on No. 6 and had to scramble to make bogey. He also hit into the water on the par-5 eighth, but his short game allowed him to save par.

Change of Address

Across

- 1 Run-down area
- 5 Fire starter
- 10 Defunct Ford div.
- 14 Like some bulls
- 19 Bigger than big
- 20 Enjoy slowly, as a drink
- 21 "I ___ busted!"
- 22 Come to light
- 23 Message about nearly a dozen U.S. sailors being flown overseas? (Pa.)
- 27 Not talkative
- 28 Receive inside info
- 29 Tired comment
- 30 One terminus of Chicago's Blue Line
- 33 Soccer goose egg
- 34 Cunning plan
- 35 Annoyed Mayberry aunt gets an old Toyota at a raffle? (Wis.)

- 41 Delaware's capital?
- 44 Disheveled
- 45 At least one
- 46 Landlord's reminder
- 48 Tanning time on the Riviera
- 49 Babe's counterpart
- 51 "Follow me!"
- 53 State definitively
- 54 Constitution letters
- 55 White selection, briefly
- 57 Boast about Japanese animation? (Me.)
- 60 Not requiring stamps
- 62 Hopefully, what's left for dessert?
- 63 "Funny thing is ..."
- 64 Emanation from an aging rural miner? (Co.)
- 68 Pitcher part
- 70 Absence
- 71 All
- 75 Lunch treats from Clinton's vesp? (Or.)
- 78 Holiday song sextet
- 79 Brooding genre
- 80 Ornate molding
- 81 Sources of bow wood
- 82 Author Caleb
- 83 Five-O alert
- 84 Tied
- 87 Goof
- 88 Myrtle whose oil is a folk remedy for skin conditions
- 92 South end?

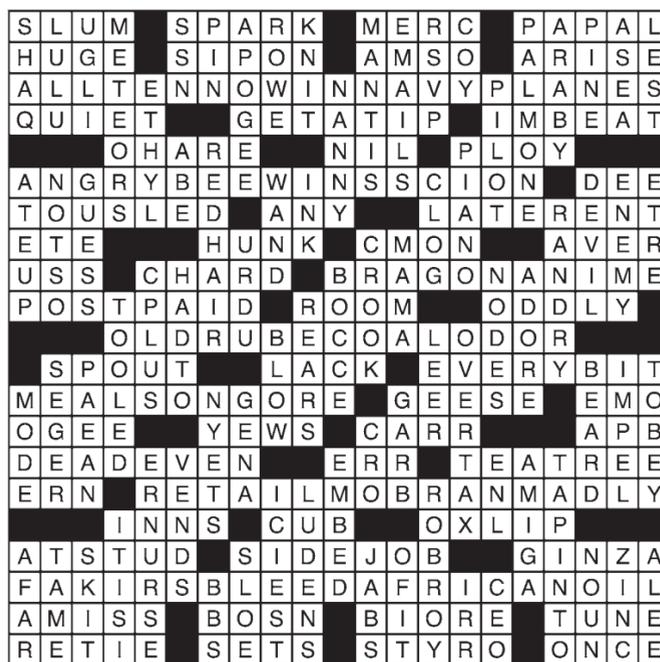
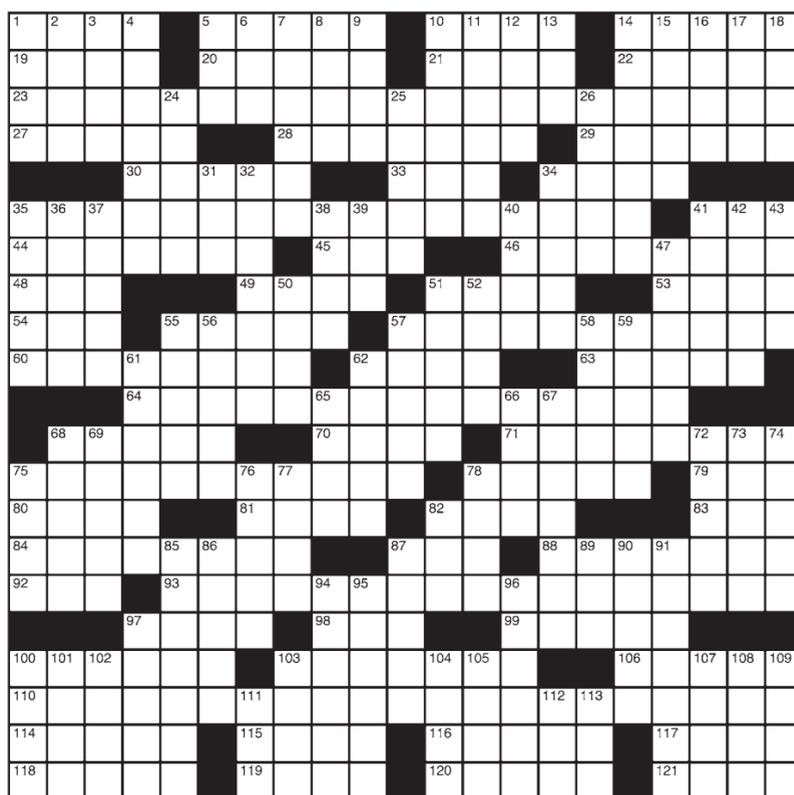
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- 97 Overnight retreats
- 98 Simba, at the start of "The Lion King"
- 99 Primrose family plant
- 100 Ready to breed
- 103 Moonlighter's work
- 106 Tokyo shopping district
- 110 Muslim ascetics drain Sahara pipeline contents? (Ca.)
- 114 Flawed
- 115 Cap'n's underling
- 116 "Free your pores!" skincare brand
- 117 Ignore, with "out"
- 118 Tighten, as laces
- 119 Jazz club sessions
- 120 Prefix for a Dow foam
- 121 Not quite never

Down

- 1 1990s-2000s Laker star, familiarly
- 2 Humdinger
- 3 Not-cute fruit
- 4 Geminids sights
- 5 3-2-4 ID
- 6 Wrestler's coup
- 7 Orbital high point
- 8 "Deadliest Catch" narrator Mike
- 9 Work with needles
- 10 Six-legged prayer?
- 11 Addresses with "@"
- 12 Brief invite answer?
- 13 Artfully shy
- 14 Treo maker, before it shortened its name
- 15 Sheikdom of song
- 16 Air freshener scent
- 17 On the briny
- 18 For fear that
- 24 Kind of alcohol
- 25 Kid raiser, in two ways
- 26 Cockpit worker
- 31 Prez on a five
- 32 Prince Harry's locks, e.g.
- 34 Holder of keys
- 35 Devoured
- 36 Untrue
- 37 "C'mon, take a ___"
- 38 Security checkpoint device
- 39 Well filler
- 40 Shoe or its dance

- 41 Hot sauce bottle image
- 42 Good guy, to a bad guy
- 43 French 101 verb
- 47 Stopped flowing
- 50 Pakistani tongue
- 51 Swindler
- 52 What may be baby's first word
- 55 Fair grade
- 56 Couldn't avoid it
- 57 Italian lawn game
- 58 Lymph ___
- 59 Love to bits
- 61 Motored (along)
- 62 Parents
- 65 Leave, slangily
- 66 Inappropriate look
- 67 Demand too much of
- 68 Silver Bullet Band rocker
- 69 Joyous song
- 72 A new one may itch
- 73 Push forward
- 74 Actor Maguire
- 75 Style
- 76 Nikita's negatives
- 77 Rowlands of "The Notebook"
- 78 Worn things
- 82 ___-Magnon
- 85 Hosp. drama role
- 86 Sells
- 87 Add to a website, as a video
- 89 Bigger copy: Abbr.
- 90 Guadalajara gal pal
- 91 Draw upon
- 94 Most aloof
- 95 Cough drops brand
- 96 Scotch cocktail
- 97 "Just me," formally
- 100 Quite a distance
- 101 Hardly a threat
- 102 "SNL" staple
- 103 Wild plum
- 104 Sparring punches
- 105 "Never heard ___"
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By Greg Johnson



Condolences for death of man's ex-girlfriend puzzle his wife



Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My husband of 20 years, "Jerry," recently learned about an old girlfriend's death. A Facebook friend informed him about it. The message arrived late at night while I was sleeping, and he woke me to tell me the news. He is now receiving condolences from friends that he is responding to as though he were grieving. Abby, the old girlfriend and

my husband split up on very bad terms. She not only cheated on him but gave him an STD. I am appalled and feel hurt that this is happening. Friends of mine are surprised and suspicious about it. I confronted my husband and asked him if the situation were reversed and I were the one who died and an old flame started receiving condolences, how would he feel? Jerry said it wouldn't bother him. Is it normal to send condolences to old flames? — DEATHLY CONFUSED IN TEXAS
DEAR DEATHLY: It's normal to inform others about a death, but

considering the circumstances of the breakup, what's going on isn't "normal." It's possible that the messages your husband is receiving are from other Facebook friends who are connected to the sender of the original message. While it isn't unusual for old friends to reach out to each other after news of a death, to convey it in the form of a condolence to an ex-boyfriend after the romance is long over strikes me as somewhat odd. My advice is to remain calm, don't let it give you heartburn and wait for the emotions to subside with time.
DEAR ABBY: The

holidays are approaching, and I suspect many young couples are facing the same problem about where to spend Thanksgiving and Christmas. I have two daughters — one married and one single. The married daughter's mother-in-law has declared that this is "her" year for Thanksgiving, and next year is "her" year for Christmas. She has three sons, none of whom lives within four hours of her home. All three sons have children. Don't you think the sons and their wives should decide for themselves if they want to travel for the holidays? They may prefer to

spend Christmas morning in their own homes. Also, what about her daughters-in-law's parents? Perhaps they, too, have other grown children who would like to decide what they want to do for the holidays. My philosophy is to plan my holidays and invite my children. If they can come, great! If not, there are no hard feelings. If all of my children and grandchildren can't be here at the same time, I focus on the ones who are and enjoy the time I have with them. I think the woman is being disrespectful to her sons and daughters-in-law. What

say you? — FOCUS ON A GOOD TIME
DEAR FOCUS: As your letter illustrates, not all mothers-in-law are alike. Some are iron-fisted matriarchs who demand obedience from their grown children. Others, like you, are more easygoing. In my opinion, the woman you have described is less disrespectful than overbearing.
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Your honest appraisal of a situation will help enormously -- that is, if it's your job or duty to share such things. Avoid sharing opinions you aren't asked for, though, as it won't lead to anything good.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Of course, everyone is acting out of self-interest while trying to seem unselfish. This is only natural. Anyway, it makes any genuinely selfless move appear nothing short of miraculous.
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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — You could tell your story any number of ways. The dramatic way might be more entertaining, but it's better to be diplomatic. Cast them in a favorable light and you'll earn trust and support.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) — Does it seem as if you've been ranking your days as good or bad based on one single goal? Though this goal matters to you very much, should it really be the basis of your entire rating system?
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — It feels at times as if you're body just won't cooperate with you. Then again, maybe you just haven't figured out how to operate it yet. The first step is in realizing that though you have a body, you are not your body.

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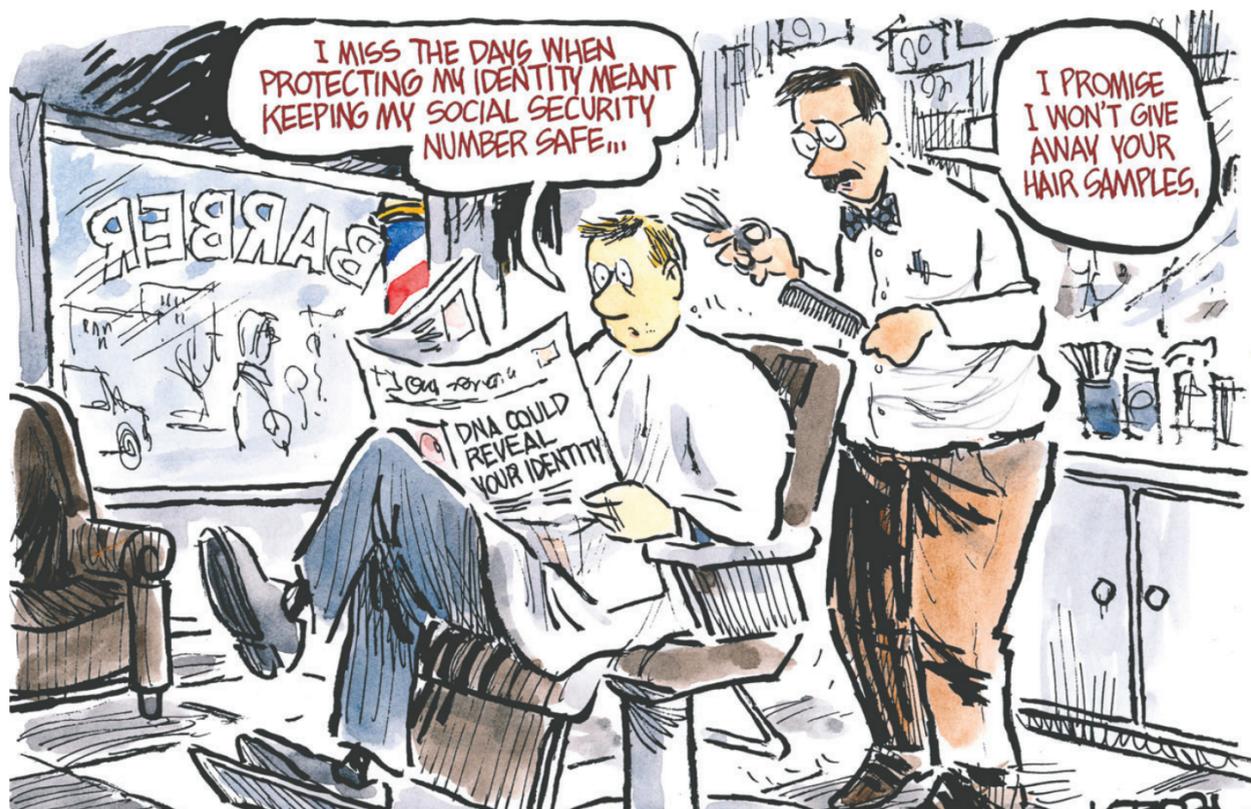
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Exodus, Numbers, Isaiah, Hebrews
4. The mark of the beast number (666) is found in what chapter of Revelation?
1, 7, 11, 13
5. From 1 Samuel 16, what king of Israel was tormented by an evil spirit?
Solomon, David, Elah, Saul
6. Who called the city of Nineveh the mistress of witchcraft?
Ahab, Nahum, Lucifer, Peter
ANSWERS: 1. Neither, 2. 7, 3. Exodus, 4. 13:18, 5. Saul, 6. Nah

VIEWPOINTS

ANOTHER VIEW



After Saudi Visit, 'freedom' just another word for home sweet home

By Tom Purcell

Like millions of Americans, I often took my incredible freedoms for granted — until I visited Saudi Arabia.

For years, I've done marketing communications work for technology companies. Four years ago, a client asked me if I was interested in joining her on a project in the kingdom.

"Heck, yeah," I responded. How often does one get to visit the Middle East, all expenses paid?

No sooner had our Saudi Arabian Airlines plane lifted off from Dulles International Airport in Virginia, however, than I got a quick taste of how limited my freedoms suddenly were: Alcohol is banned on Saudia flights, as it is throughout Saudi Arabia.

I don't enjoy flying's cramped unpleasantness. A few snorts of Irish hooch always calm my nerves. But I was out of luck.

"No problem," I thought — "I'll watch American

movies." I'd been bumped into first class and had my own monitor. But, I quickly noticed, every scene depicting a scantily-clad Hollywood starlet was cut or blurred.

Since most of the movies were unwatchable, I had to pass the longest 14 hours of my life watching "Cats & Dogs" — five times.

Going through customs in the Jeddah airport, I became instantly self-conscious. My sport coat, slacks and large, pale Irish-German-American noggin shouted "American."

It was worse for my female colleague. She wore a headscarf so big — we call them "babushkas" in Pittsburgh — she could have pitched it as a tent.

At the time, Saudi Arabia's notorious religious police wouldn't have allowed her — or any other woman — to drive. I jokingly whispered to her that if she didn't increase my hourly rate, I'd tell the police she planned to drive from the airport.

Most Saudis I met during our time there loved America and Americans. But I knew 15 of the 9/11 hijackers came from Saudi Arabia. I noted some Saudis I met loathed Americans — and I immediately sensed my customs agent was among them.

I sensed that if we'd been in a free country, such as America, this guy — knowing he'd be presumed innocent until proven guilty, and likely to get just a slap on the wrist if found guilty — would have tried to knock my teeth out.

But in Saudi Arabia, there is no presumption of innocence.

Consider the recent murder of Saudi Arabian journalist Jamal Khashoggi at the Saudi consulate in Istanbul. He made the mistake of exercising free speech by writing columns critical of the kingdom.

Consider Mujtaba'a al-Sweikat. This young man was on his way to enroll in Western Michigan University in 2012 when he

was detained at King Fahd International Airport. Alleged to have participated in a pro-democracy event, he was arrested, tortured and, as of 2017, sentenced to beheading.

In any event, I spent most of my time in Saudi Arabia safe within the fortress walls of King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, where the kingdom's strict laws are slightly relaxed — and met many wonderful, brilliant people from all over the world.

Nonetheless, my month in Saudi Arabia gave me a brief taste of life in an authoritarian country, where absolute power typically corrupts absolutely.

When we landed back in Virginia — after enduring "Cats & Dogs" five more times — I kissed the ground, then went to the nearest pub to enjoy a badly-needed snort of my fully restored freedoms.

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A lost generation of entrepreneurs

By Ron Hart

Teen Vogue showed the ignorance of a poorly educated and lazy generation by trashing capitalism in favor of socialism. The magazine told kids who act like they read Teen Vogue that capitalism has left the world in a "dystopian 'Mad Max' nightmare in which resources have dwindled and rich plutocrats own everything." In this view we should strive for the much more desirable system of socialism. It went on to espouse the virtues of socialism over capitalism. That tone of lazy economic ignorance could foretell problems for our country.

Years of the influence of Obama, Bernie Sanders, Elizabeth "Fauxcahontas" Warren and the populist left media have left today's youngsters thinking socialism is a utopia of wonderful things for which no one has to pay. They think socialism's great offerings are free education, health care and housing. Yet they

are not taught history's clear lesson: Socialism's three great failures always end up being breakfast, lunch and dinner.

I hope this generation can reverse this mind-set. Statistics show the percentage of adults under age 30 who own a business is the lowest in 30 years. Today, only 4 percent own a stake in a private company, compared with 6.1 percent in 2010. Even more troubling, this number was 11 percent in 1989.

The trend toward a lost generation of entrepreneurs has profound implications for the growth of our economy. We have raised kids averse to risk and hard work. More Americans want a government job or a disability check. When they think of "free markets," they think they are free because government pays for them — and should.

It was once a source of Puritan pride to own a business. Now many people prefer to collect food stamps, unemployment

and disability benefits. Why is the younger generation not starting businesses? Obama's "you didn't build that" speech made palpable his disdain for business owners, and it presupposed government is responsible for everything good — not the individual, the collective.

Maybe this generation has been raised in bubble wrap. No bike riding (certainly not without a helmet and shin guards), no dodge ball in school, no playing outside in the neighborhood, no drinking from garden hoses and no talking to strangers. We give ribbons for ninth place, and everyone gets to play. Forty years ago, we rode dirt bikes and bumper cars, our popular rides of choice, at the county fair. Today, the most popular rides are those motorized shopping carts at Walmart.

If we have something to fear, it is that we fear too much. Risk is good. Risk teaches lessons. Risk provides good things. Failure is necessary; it's a byproduct

of risk. What deserves ridicule is not trying.

The massive student loan debt might also impede their risk taking. They are told capitalism is evil and that, somehow, "making a difference in the world" involves some lame government bureaucracy job.

I've got news for you, kids: It's hard to change the world when you are making \$35,000 a year working in a cubicle at the IRS. Go start a business, provide a product or service that people willingly buy, employ lots of people and enhance their lives. Create other millionaires in your wake. Then start a huge foundation that, in retirement, you can use to really change the world.

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Consumers finally get a break

Consumers finally got a break on their pre-

scription drugs. Pharmacists had been living under a gag order — they weren't allowed to tell consumers when paying cash would be cheaper than the copayment for a prescription drug on insurance.

And this is no rarity. Nearly 60 percent of consumers and 90 percent of senior citizens take prescription drugs.

In 2016 alone, these Americans overpaid on prescriptions by a whopping \$350 billion, according to The Hill.

And a survey by the University of Southern California reported that nearly 25 percent of prescriptions involved a copayment larger than the drug's average sale price.

That's a lot of money being wasted by average folks — but it's also a lot of profit being pocketed by the companies benefiting from this rigged system.

That's why the new law allowing pharmacists to tell consumers how they can save money is a great development.

The Patient Right to Know Drug Prices Act had bipartisan support; its co-sponsors were Sens. Susan Collins (a Maine Republican) and Debbie Stabenow (a Democrat from Michigan).

The act follows steps that President Donald Trump's administration already had been taking to reduce prescription costs; the administration pushed for provisions that, as part of Medicare Part D prescription drug plans, require pharmacists to disclose the price of the prescription drug.

But Medicare Part D has some challenges:

- Prices may not reflect manufacturers' discounts and rebates.
- Consumers may not have access to specialty pharmacies with lower prices.
- Some plans require coinsurance, which can hike prices by 50 percent.

Ethical issues

Some relationships between pharmaceutical companies and physicians skirt ethical lines, and patients have a right to be suspicious about these links.

Some physicians receive large speaking fees, honoraria and gifts from medical companies.

And studies have shown these ties can influence the decisions made by physicians, which is pretty troubling. Physicians must take the ethical step of fully disclosing their ties. It's the right thing to do given the high stakes of their work.

Obamacare

After lots of bad news on premiums in the Affordable Care Act, there is good news.

Average premiums for the most popular plans should fall by 1.5 percent next year, according to the Trump administration.

But here's the bad news: this year premium prices rose by 37 percent.

In Florida, Obamacare premiums are expected to rise by 5.2 percent next year after increasing by up to 45 percent this year, reported the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation.

Obamacare has become a political football, yet the fact remains that Florida has more consumers on the Obamacare exchanges — 1.7 million — than any other state.

Republicans and Democrats need to get together and repair the flaws of Obamacare.

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Panama City Marina looks like war zone after Opal

Arion Worchester
News Herald

Boats were splintered, boats were entangled in heaps like tub toys, and storefronts were no longer on the Panama City Marina. Crime-scene tape lined off what was the site of most concentrated damage in Hurricane Opal in Panama City.

Boat owner Bill Brown, anxious to know the fate of his 30-foot sailboat, lunged over the piles of trash and treasures and, regarding the absence of most Pier 6, hoped in vain that he would find it.

"It's gone. It's gone," he said as he made his way back across intermittent planks.

Like many others there, the boat was a casualty of the storm. In rooftops that had covered what once were boat slips lay tangled, crumpled like used tin by Opal's fist. Pieces of the boat, like many others on the east side of the marina, floated in the murky water. Boats of all shapes and sizes were heaped upon each other, sinking or damaged.

Some, it seemed, escaped unscathed.

More than 50 percent of the boats are lost," said Sgt. Steve Yates of the Panama City Police Department. "And there is structural damage to the marina."

Some, he said, believe that the sinking of the under-structure resulted from the slamming waves and winds that accompanied Opal.

City officials surveying the damage could not confirm that, saying it was too early to determine extent of damage.

It was clear, though, that the east side of the marina, protected from the storm in part by the old and soon-to-be-torn-down Winds Building, fared far better.

"We watched sheds blow off," said George Zibelin, who rode the storm with his wife, Arge, on their sailboat.

It sounded like jets taking off. "It was a constant roar," Marge Zibelin said of the storm.

Wednesday the two worked feverishly to prepare the boat for the storm. Zibelin explained the need to tie the boat securely, allowing enough slack for the boat to rise with the tide — but not enough to allow it to fall back on top of the pilings jutting in the water.

It worked. "Not a scratch," he said Thursday morning.

At other marinas in town damage appeared minimal.

"It's nothing like this," said Ed Engebretson, manager of Harbor Marina, as he stood with Brown at the Downtown Marina where he lost his boat. "I ought to be able to rent the slips I can find after this."



Frenzied winds and waves tossed these boats at the Panama City Marina, which received extensive damage in the hurricane.

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Up the road, at least one storefront was blown in and several businesses suffered broken windows and wind damage.

In the cove, numerous power lines were down, pushed there by falling oaks which blocked many roads.

Elsewhere in the city, water damage to homes and businesses, especially those closest to the water, was said to be extensive.

Yates said the water had reached Fifth Street and Grace Avenue.

Roads throughout the town were blanketed in green with debris from fallen limbs, leaves, and brush. Road crews worked beginning at midnight Wednesday to clear them for traffic and emergency crews.

That was the priority, said City Manager Ken Hammons.

"Our primary efforts are to clean the streets and get the thoroughfares clear so people can get back to their neighborhoods," he said.

Residents in the St. Andrews area praised the efforts of the city road crews as one truck carrying men armed with chain saws — followed by a bulldozer to push away the remains of a tree that had fallen in the road — responded readily to their calls.

The residents said they were relieved the damage in their area was not more widespread.

"We had two trees down," said Don McCormack.

But the trees fell toward the road rather than the house.

The McCormacks, like so many others in the city, had little more to deal with than an entanglement of fallen limbs and debris.

"We were very fortunate," Mona McCormack said.

Their neighbor, Tobie Schnieder, fared well, too. But with an invalid wife to care for, he was forced to deal with the frustrations of trying to find an adequate shelter. He couldn't, and in the end he brought his wife home.

He and the McCormacks shared their relief that the storm, which had threatened to be the worst ever to hit the mainland United States, had weakened and done so little damage to their neighborhood.

Close by on Beach Drive other residents breathed a similar sigh of relief.

"We really did pretty well," said Debbie Donn. "I think we have a lot to be thankful for."

Hours before, her family had been preparing their bay-front home for the worst and hoping for the best. They had decided to



Bay County Commissioner Danny Sparks lends a hand to a man whose boat overturned as Hurricane Opal approached St. Andrew Bay.

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stay in their home for the storm with Billy Donn's parents, who live in a house behind their's.

While Billy Donn and Spencer Milton boarded the windows and doors of the home, Debbie Donn did laundry.

"It may be a long time before I can do laundry again," she said Wednesday, expecting the inevitable power outages.

Thursday she said she was glad the family had prepared so well.

"I feel like we were really lucky," she said.

"We have a mess to clean up and the power's off, but my laundry is done.

"What can I say, I'm happy."

Smelly, crowded and safe — riding the storm out

By Simmons
Edition Editor

Signs on the narrow, green signs of Mosley High School advised an upcoming dinner production of the play *Our Town*. But on Wednesday night, town came to Mosley ahead of schedule.

An estimated 1,300 evacuees sought shelter in the high school's hallways — which has a capacity of about half that many. Red Cross had only 900 registration forms, and even before the evacuation ran out at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, people were pushing the school rather than standing in the rain.

Early in the day, a spirit of community began to thrive among the displaced masses. Children shared toys. Elderly men and women shared their radios. People and neighbors watch children playing about.

"It's having a good time," Robert Stanton of his 2-old granddaughter, Sajdarie, was crawling all over the way. "She's not scared."

Stanton and his wife, Beverly, lived in Panama City for years; this was their evacuation.

"We are taking this seriously," said Rachel and Jay Morgan, of Millville. He was concerned, the thing, that he had to deactivate his leg band — as on house arrest. She, however, was fighting tears as she held two of her four children.

The whole family lives in Panama City. "The hurricane went

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through there, it pretty much wiped them away. I called them this morning, just a'crying. I've never been through one like this."

A group of teen-agers volunteered to help prepare lunch and supper, then they took food to elderly and handicapped people so they would not have to move through the crowds to the cafeteria.

"I have to deal with a lot of knucklehead behavior," said Mosley Administrative Assistant Tom Buttermore. "This is a good change."

"They were getting bored. They wanted things to do," said Red Cross Shelter Manager Monique Tullis. "They've been really wonderful, and the school has done a phenomenal job."

Callaway Elementary School also held a capacity crowd on Wednesday, serving more than 400 people. At the height of the storm, dozens of large limbs fell on the campus grounds, but there was no major damage.

The captive audience fled early Thursday to assess damage to their homes.

Northside Elementary School opened late Wednesday to funnel off some of the growing crowds of evacuees. The Red Cross registered 477 people there Wednesday,

although many more came through side doors and slipped by without registering.

During the night, a pregnant woman at Northside went into labor and was rushed to Gulf Coast Hospital. The baby wasn't due until December.

"They stopped the labor and sent her back to us this morning," shelter manager Tracy Albert said Thursday. "Another woman, a week overdue, didn't even come close. Not a twinge."

Albert praised the school workers who ran the facility and who tended and mended the needs of her refugee population.

"We fed every one of them. Some had seconds," Albert said. "Then we had a mass exodus this morning. I told them the curfew was still in effect, but I wasn't going to fight them."

The greatest difficulty Tullis had in taking care of her group of evacuees — sheer numbers excluded — was their advanced age and fragile health.

The late-season hurricane had afflicted what Tullis called Bay County's "Canadian geese" population as had no hurricane in her memory.

"People have been coming in in bus loads from condos," Tullis said. "It seems like the only people in town are senior citizens."

Not quite. Mai Mori, a 23-year-old Japanese exchange student, sat in one of the halls with her host mother, Ruth Rouillard, of Panama City Beach. Mori was recovering from an allergic reaction to dozens of fire ant bites she received while helping Rouillard clear her yard before the storm.

"We were going to leave for Montgomery yesterday," Rouillard said.

"Then she started screaming. She passed out and was fighting for breath. Now she's on medication, and she's just very tired."

Everyone was. People lay in each other's arms, or on scarce Red Cross cots, bundled in sleeping bags and blankets, or propped against the wall. Negotiating a hallway was like walking an obstacle course of human limbs played in all directions.

As the storm grew more intense, smokers began to count the time, in hours, since their last cigarette. Tempers wore thin. Buttermore said he was "busting 55-year-olds for smoking in the boy's room — and that was good for 10 days of in-school" suspension.

The air in the building grew stale as power repeatedly failed and the doors were closed against the rising wind. The smell of sweat, spilled drinks, kitchen odors, and discreet smoking mixed in the sluggish air.

That and the stink from backed-up sewage caused after a sewer lift station lost power with the rest of the school at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, when Opal was coming ashore.

The school was totally dark at about 8 p.m., when the emergency generator also failed.

"It smells like a dirty diaper in there," Schools Superintendent Stefanie Gall said Thursday morning. That led to her decision to open other shelters so Mosley could be cleared and cleaned.

Although shelter residents were allowed to walk the school grounds in the Thursday morning sunshine — and school personnel turned a blind eye to

SCHOOLS AND SHELTERS

A quick look at the situation in Bay County.

SCHOOL SHELTERS

American Red Cross shelters scheduled to be open Thursday night and Friday are Mosley High School and Millville Elementary School. Merritt Brown Middle School will remain open to serve only medically needy evacuees.

Northside and Callaway elementary schools are no longer open as shelters.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

PUBLIC SCHOOLS: Bay District Schools will not open before Monday, said Superintendent Stefanie S. Gall.

School officials had eyeballed 15 schools by Thursday evening and had found only minor damage. They did not yet know the condition of Patronis, Hutchison Beach or West Bay elementary schools or Surfside Middle School.

"It looks like most schools fared fairly well," Gall said. "We've been real fortunate."

Trees had fallen on fences at Tom P. Haney Technical Center and Jinks Middle School. One light fell at Tommy Oliver Stadium, while newly installed lights on the Mosley High School practice field remained intact. Limbs covered parking lots at the Nelson Administration Building and other school sites.

A limb fell at Callaway, right on top of the Channel 9 news van from Orlando," Gall said. "They were in the shelter asking people how it felt to be in the hurricane."

FSU-PCC: Florida State University-Panama City Campus suffered no damage to its main buildings, but it will remain closed until Monday, according to Dean Larry Bland. Three small buildings housing the school's physical plant and student government offices were under two feet of water during the height of the storm, but otherwise were undamaged.

"We had a lot of downed limbs," Bland said. "If power comes on, we'll be back in business on Monday."

GCCC: Gulf Coast Community College should reopen on Monday, despite sustaining between \$750,000 and \$1 million damage during the hurricane, GCCC President Bob McSpadden said. Some college employees will be on campus today to further assess damage, he said.

"We had major damage to the Language Arts Building roof, the Health Science Building roof, some broken windows," McSpadden said. "The panels on the pool were broken loose, the dumpsters floated up into the baseball field, and the gym roof came loose from the sidewall, and there's a crack in it."

smoking on the grounds — they were tired, nervous and "ready to riot" by noon, Bolinger said. Uniformed deputies blocked the parking lot exits to keep people from leaving before the lockdown ended at 2 p.m. At noon, Applebee's restaurant and Krispy Kreme donuts delivered perishable food to bolster Red Cross and school supplies. And fresh school personnel appeared mid-morning to relieve shelter managers.

When the curfew ended Thursday and people left the school, district workers swarmed into Mosley to prepare it to serve another wave of refugees or newly-homeless for the weekend. "These people driving back into town are going to find they don't have a home to go home to," Gall said. "They can't live there. They're going to need places to stay."



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