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UKRAINE UNREST

‘Deterrence and de-escalation’

NATO increasing military presence in Eastern Europe amid Russian threat

By JOHN VANDIVER
Stars and Stripes

STUTTGART, Germany — More NATO ships, warplanes and troops will soon be headed to Eastern Europe in response to Russia's pressure on Ukraine, the alliance's top official said Wednesday. But NATO's efforts

to reassure wary allies appear to stop short of establishing a permanent forward presence in the region.

“We will have more planes in the air, more ships on the water, and more readiness on the land,” NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen told reporters after a meeting of the North Atlantic Council.

Among the measures to be taken include an intensification of NATO air policing missions over the Baltic region and more allied ships bound for the Baltic Sea, eastern Mediterranean and other regions as required, Rasmussen said.

However, he made no mention of sending additional ships to the Black

Sea, where Russia has the bulk of its fleet.

The USS Donald Cook has been deployed to the Black Sea, and on Monday, a Russian fighter jet engaged in a “provocative” act toward the destroyer.

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Hundreds missing as S. Korean ferry sinks

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South Korean coast guard officers search for passengers from a ferry sinking in the waters off South Korea's southern coast. The ferry carrying more than 400 people, mostly high school students on an overnight trip to a tourist island, sank on Wednesday leaving nearly 300 people missing despite a frantic rescue by dozens of ships and helicopters.

Medal of Honor to be awarded to former GI

By JON HARPER
Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — Former Army Sgt. Kyle J. White will be awarded the Medal of Honor for repeatedly risking his life to save his fellow servicemembers during a marathon battle against the Taliban in the mountainous terrain of Aranas, Afghanistan.

White, now 27, was serving as a platoon radio telephone operator assigned to C Company, 2nd

Battalion (Airborne), 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade,

when his team of U.S. and Afghan National Army soldiers was ambushed

by a larger, more heavily armed Taliban force after a meeting with Afghan villagers in Aranas on Nov. 9, 2007, according to an Army account of the fight.

There was “one shot, you know, down into the valley, and then it was two shots, and then it was just full-automatic fire and RPGs.

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City marks 1 year after bombs struck marathon finish line

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It's nice to be around people as weird as you are, as passionate about what you're passionate about. We're all musicians here. It doesn't matter where you came from or what you're into — we're all united by music."

— Keyton Daniels, a DODDS-Europe student chosen to attend the annual Honors Music Festival

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DOD to review military justice system

By TIMOTHY M. PHELPS
Tribune Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON—The Defense Department, under pressure from Congress to re-examine the way it handles sexual assault cases, announced Tuesday a comprehensive review of the entire military justice system.

"It's been over 30 years since the military code of justice was reviewed. It's simply time," said Lt. Col. J. Todd Breaeseale, a Pentagon spokesman. "Sexual assault will certainly be part of the compendium of issues that will be looked at, but it's by no means the sole issue."

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Lt. Col. J. Todd Breaeseale
Pentagon spokesman

Members of Congress and women's groups have been strongly critical of how the military handles sexual assault cases, particularly the authority that military officers have to overturn the convictions of those under their command. A proposal by Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y., to remove the chain of command from authority over cases involving major crimes was blocked last month by a filibuster in the Senate.

At the same time, military prosecutors have recently struggled with several high-profile sexual assault cases. Last month, a military judge found a former football player at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., not guilty of assaulting a female classmate.

On the same day, Army Brig. Gen. Jeffrey A. Sinclair escaped



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Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y., center, calls for military sexual assault cases to be removed from the military chain of command last November in Washington. The Defense Department announced Wednesday that it will conduct a comprehensive review of the military justice system.

a prison sentence after pleading guilty to reduced charges involving his relationship with a subordinate who accused him of assaulting her.

Gillibrand was critical of the military's move to review its justice system, noting that the panel would take a year and a half to complete its work. She said solutions were obvious now.

"We can do review after review after review — and I have no doubt they are all well-intentioned," she said in a statement. "But according to the DOD's latest available numbers, 18 months is another estimated 39,000 cases of unwanted sexual contact that will occur."

Eugene Fidell, who teaches military justice at Yale University, said the review was probably prompted by the controversy over adjudication of sexual assaults

in the military but that its scope would be much broader.

"As I understand it, it will be a top-to-bottom review, which means everything is on the table," Fidell said. "I think this is part of the larger dismay that the country has been feeling about whether the system was functioning in the best way possible."

The review panel will be headed by Andrew Efron, the recently retired chief judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and will include lawyers from all the military services. Judge David Sentelle, a noted conservative on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, and Judith Miller, a former Defense Department general counsel under President Bill Clinton, will serve as advisers.

"I think this comes at a good time," said Celia Richa, a policy

advocate at Futures Without Violence, which frequently works to support victims of military assault. "Advocates for survivors really want to see results with this."

Fidell said the panel would probably study not only the role of the commander in military justice, but such issues as what kinds of crimes should be prosecuted in military, as opposed to civilian, courts and whether more appeals should be sent from the military system to civilian appeals courts.

He said the panel should address a "dramatic disparity" between civilian and military defendants in their rights to appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court if convicted. Most of those convicted in military courts cannot appeal to the high court, he said, only to the military appeals court.

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Report: Sequestration cuts would reduce US security

By WYATT OLSON
Stars and Stripes

More than \$1 trillion in sequestration-related defense cuts, slated for now through 2021, "would significantly increase risks both in the short- and long-term," according to a report released Monday by the Pentagon.

"If sequestration-level cuts persist, our forces will assume substantial additional risks in certain missions and will continue to face significant readiness and modernization challenges," the report said.

"Overall, sequester-level cuts would result in a military that is too small to fully meet the requirements of our strategy, thereby significantly increasing national security risks both in the short- and long-term," according to a Pentagon statement that accompanied the report's release.

Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel commissioned the report to underscore the tangible impact of sequestration, the statement said.

According to the report's findings, sequestration-level funding for fiscal years 2015-19 would result in:

- Reduction of one squadron of F-35 aircraft.
- Elimination of the fleet of KC-10 tankers.
- Reduction of operational surface combatant ships by seven in 2019.

- Reduction of procurement of eight ships.

- Divesting the Global Hawk Block 40 fleet.
- Divesting the Predator fleet beginning in 2016.
- Elimination of planned purchases of Reaper aircraft in 2015-19.

Deadlocked over spending cuts in 2011, Congress passed the so-called sequestration law implementing automatic and across-the-board budget cuts beginning in 2013. The cuts have hit the military particularly hard, defense officials say.

"The Department of Defense only receives 17 percent of the federal budget," Gordon R. Sullivan, a retired Army general and current president of the Association of the United States Army, told a recent symposium in Hawaii on land forces in the Pacific.

Yet the Defense Department is contributing 50 percent of the cuts required by sequestration, he said, criticizing the planned reductions as "government by robot."

Those numbers are somewhat misleading, as the majority of the U.S. budget goes toward mandatory spending on things like social security, which is not part of the annual appropriation process and generally not subject to sequestration.

Meanwhile, the defense budget accounts for more than 50 percent of discretionary spending — the part of the budget over which lawmakers have direct control.

The Pentagon report said troop levels would be cut due to sequestration.

The Army would be reduced to 420,000 active-duty soldiers, with the National Guard and Reserves falling to 315,000 and 185,000,

The report: Estimated Impacts of Sequestration-Level Funding
<http://tinyurl.com/nqdw4ho>



respectively.

The Marine Corps would shrink to 175,000 active-duty.

"Modernization would also be

significantly slowed," the statement said. "Compared to plans under the fiscal 2015 budget, the department would buy eight fewer ships in the years beyond fiscal 2016 — including one fewer Virginia-class submarines and three fewer DDG-51 destroyers — and would delay delivery of the new

carrier John F. Kennedy (CVN-79) by two years.

"The services would acquire 17 fewer Joint Strike Fighters, five fewer KC-46 tankers, and six fewer P-8A aircraft."

Funding for smaller weapons and construction projects would also be curtailed.

The report estimated that the department would spend about \$66 billion less in procurement and research funding as compared with levels that had been planned for the fiscal year 2015 budget.

Stars and Stripes reporter Matt Millham contributed to this report. olson.wyatt@stripes.com

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AF names commanders for Ramstein and Scott

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Maj. Gen. Darryl L. Roberson has been nominated to take command of the 3rd Air Force at Ramstein Air Base in Germany.

Roberson, who would receive his third star before taking over the position, would replace Maj. Gen. Carlton D. Everhart II, according to a Defense Department news release issued Monday. Everhart has been serving as commander since February, after the retirement of Lt. Gen. Craig A. Franklin, who generated controversy with his decision to overturn a military jury's sexual assault conviction of Lt. Col. James Wilkerson.

Everhart, vice commander of the 3rd Air Force before Franklin's retirement, has also been selected for promotion to lieutenant general. His next assignment would be commander of the 18th Air Force at Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

Both nominations are subject to Senate approval.

Roberson has already led one of the units he would be overseeing in his new position. He served as commander of the 52nd Fighter Wing at Spangdahlem Air Base in Germany from June 2006 to March 2008. The 1983 Air Force Academy graduate was a pilot at Spangdahlem and Ramstein from 1985 to 1989. He is currently vice director of operations for the Joint Staff at the



Roberson



Everhart

Pentagon. The 3rd Air Force has wings in Italy, the United Kingdom and Germany with a total of 33,000 personnel. Its commander also is leader of the 17th Expeditionary Air Force, a part of U.S. Africa Command.

Monday's announcement also included promotions for two other senior Air Force officers stationed overseas.

Brig. Gen. Jon A. Norman, commander of the 31st Fighter Wing at Aviano Air Base in Italy, would receive his second star before taking over as chief of staff for Pacific Air Forces. His assignment had been announced previously.

Col. Ricky N. Rupp, special assistant to the commander for U.S. Forces Korea at Yongsan Garrison, has been nominated for promotion to brigadier general.

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DOD's sex assault hotline avoids military by design

By TOM VANDEN BROOK
USA Today

WASHINGTON — One of the first things you notice about the Pentagon's sexual assault support hotline is its non-military look.

No screaming eagles or red-white-and-blue flapping in the breeze for the Department of Defense Safe Helpline. Instead, its earth tone website and brochures and Java Jackets assure confidentiality. "DoD" shows up, barely, in the smallest font. They look more like promotional materials for a bank than one of the Pentagon's main weapons to aid victims of sexual assault.

That's by design, said Army Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Snow, who leads the Pentagon's effort to battle the scourge of sexual assault in its ranks. Focus groups told officials to emphasize gender-neutral themes (nearly one in four who seek help is a man) and, above all, to keep their promise of secrecy.

"They did not want it to look like a DoD website," said Snow, who granted USA Today access to a briefing at the helpline's downtown Washington offices.

Since 2011, Helpline staff have advised 20,000 servicemembers and civilians, referring about a third of them to military and civilian sources to lodge complaints or to get help from profes-

sionals for medical or mental health issues. Group chats, moderated by a social worker, have been offered twice a week for about a year. An app can be downloaded to develop an individual care plan.

Although Safe Helpline is funded by the Pentagon, the military has outsourced it to a victims advocacy organization — the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network. It costs \$2.76 million per year to run.

"This is an important resource for survivors to get confidential help and I am encouraged by the fact DoD is working with such an outstanding organization to execute the program," Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y., a leading critic of the Pentagon's response to sexual assault, said in a statement. "But it will not be nearly enough if we don't do everything we should to restore trust in the system allowing survivors to have the confidence to report the crimes committed against them so we can get predators out of the military where they don't belong."

The Pentagon estimates that there were 26,000 instances of unwanted sexual contact — from groping to rape — in 2012. The majority of those incidents are not reported to authorities as crimes.

Victims are encouraged to call the Helpline at 877-995-5247 or visit SafeHelpline.org.



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MILITARY

Okinawa runway opponents take case to court in Japan

By CHIYOMI SUMIDA
Stars and Stripes

NAHA, Okinawa — Opponents of construction on a new runway that is part of a plan to relocate the Marines' Futenma air base told a Japanese court Wednesday the project would irrevocably damage the Okinawa coastal environment.

A group of 765 Okinawa residents filed suit in January against Okinawa Gov. Hirokazu Nakaima, demanding that the three-judge district court order the Japanese government to suspend landfill work and revoke the approval that the governor granted in December.

Under Japanese law, a governor must authorize such work.

During the opening session Wednesday, residents argued that

the Tokyo government failed to present adequate protective measures for the project's impact on the environment, including endangered duonags, mammals related to manages.

Michiru Sakai, a local ecotourism official, testified that the rich biodiversity in the bay at Henoko would be lost forever:

"Damaging the natural ecosystem ... just because of the convenience of human beings and for a political reason would consequently do nothing but harm to human beings," she said.

Defense lawyers representing Nakaima asked the court to dismiss the case, arguing in a statement that residents have no ground to sue him and that stalling the project would lead to Futenma permanently staying where it is,

in the heart of a heavily populated area that has grown around it.

The next session is set July 2.

Tokyo has been committed to pursuing the long-delayed project in Nago — where Henoko is located — which is linked to realignment of U.S. Forces Japan, including a move of thousands of Marines to Guam from Okinawa, as well as closure of military bases south of Kadena Air Base.

Last week, the Ministry of Defense asked Nago Mayor Susumu Inamine for permission to use city-owned properties, including the Henoko fishing port facility. Inamine, re-elected in January on a staunch anti-military platform, has said he will fight to block the runway project any way he can.

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Conviction, sentence of Manning is upheld

An Army general has upheld Pvt. Chelsea Manning's conviction and 35-year prison sentence for giving reams of classified U.S.

government information to the anti-secrecy website WikiLeaks, the Army said Monday.

The approval by Maj. Gen. Jeffrey S. Buchanan, commander of the Military District of Washington, clears the way for an auto-

matic appeal to the Army Court of Criminal Appeals.

Manning's lawyers told supporters Sunday in Washington that they expect to argue that the sentence is unreasonable.

From The Associated Press

S. Korea approves cost-sharing pact

By ASHLEY ROWLAND
AND YOO KYONG CHANG
Stars and Stripes

SEOUL, South Korea — After months of delays, the South Korean National Assembly on Wednesday easily approved a defense cost-sharing agreement that offsets the costs of stationing 28,500 U.S. troops on the peninsula.

Lawmakers voted 131-26 in favor of the Special Measures Agreement, with 35 abstentions, according to an Assembly officer. The agreement goes into effect immediately.

Negotiations on the SMA began last summer and were initially scheduled to end last fall. However, South Korean opposition groups complained that the U.S. was asking Seoul to contribute too much without giving it enough oversight of how those funds were spent.

The two countries eventually reached an agreement in January that said Seoul would increase its annual contributions by about 6 percent, to 920 billion won, or about \$861 million. Yearly increases due to inflation will be capped at 4 percent.

A Congressional Research

Service report issued earlier this year said that in response to South Korean criticism, the new SMA would increase the transparency of USFK's use of South Korean money.

Under the new agreement, USFK must submit an annual report on SMA funds to the National Assembly, and the South Korean government must approve every contract that uses SMA funds.

"Even with these changes, Korean opposition lawmakers complained that the agreement is 'humiliating,'" the report said.

Despite the new oversight measures, the SMA stalled at the subcommittee level of the National Assembly.

With the old SMA expired on April 1, USFK had warned earlier this year that it might be forced to furlough thousands of its South Korean employees working with the U.S. military because their salaries are mostly paid through the Seoul-provided funds.

However, USFK announced last month that it would fully fund workers' salaries to avert the furloughs.

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MIDEAST

Afghan election results emerge

By **HEATH DRUZIN**
Stars and Stripes



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An Afghan National Police officer votes during Afghanistan's historic presidential election on April 5.

“We cannot ignore that the people of Afghanistan bravely voted on April 5. It cannot overshadow the whole process.”

Nadir Muhseni

Independent Election Complaints Commission spokesman

KABUL — As the glow of a successful presidential election fades, a picture is emerging of key post-election procedures taking place in secret and independent observers being kept in the dark while votes are counted and thrown out for irregularities.

Some independent election monitors say they are cut off from the vote-counting and vetting process and have to rely on media reports. The Independent Election Complaints Commission — the body charged with the vital task of deciding how many votes are fraudulent — gave precious little information at a news conference Wednesday.

“The Election Complaints Commission is doing all things through the media,” said Naeem Asghari, program manager of the Free and Fair Election Forum of Afghanistan, the country’s largest independent election monitoring group. “Whenever they are investigating cases, at that time, the presence of civil society observers and candidate’s [representatives] is very important, but still our observers are not allowed in those meetings.”

Naeem Ayubzada, director of another domestic monitoring group, the Transparent Election Foundation of Afghanistan, said his observers are being kept so far away from the vote counting by the Independent Election Commission, Afghanistan’s main election body, that they can’t discern what’s happening. As for the complaints commission, he said his group had been given no access to the process of adjudicating complaints.

“If there’s no secondary organizations to approve (the process) it will be challenging to have good results that are accepted by the public and the candidates,” Ayubzada said.

While some foreign observer groups had representatives in the country for the election, many were pulled out ahead of the vote after a spate of high-profile attacks on foreigners in the capital. As a result, local monitoring groups have been at the forefront of policing the election process.

Independent Election Complaints Commission spokesman Nadir Muhseni told reporters his organization is investigating roughly 1,400 cases of possible voting irregularities, but he would not say how many of the more than 7 million votes cast the complaints could affect. Afterward, he denied

his organization, whose members were appointed by outgoing President Hamid Karzai, had been barring observers from the complaints process.

“So far, we haven’t had any reviews of the fraud cases in Kabul, so that’s why we didn’t invite them (to meetings),” he said.

In the heavily disputed 2009 Afghan presidential election, more than 1 million of the roughly 5 million ballots cast were thrown out, meaning the post-election process has the potential of altering the outcome of the vote. Both Afghans and the foreign countries that have invested billions of dollars in Afghanistan’s reconstruction have high hopes that this election will be largely trouble-free.

The outcome of the vote is crucial to both the stability of the country and the legacy of the 12½-year U.S.-led military effort here. Karzai, who is constitutionally barred from running for a third term in office, has been the country’s only leader since an American military invasion knocked out the ruling Taliban in 2001.

The spokesman for the Independent Election Commission, Nour Mohammad Noor, also rejected the observers’ complaints, saying that observers watch the vote count from when the commission opens in the morning until it closes at night.

“We provide full access to all observers,” he said.

The April 5 presidential election was widely hailed as a success, as there was little violence in the country’s main cities. Over time, though, it’s become clear there was widespread election day violence in the countryside as well as numerous reports of fraud. Some members of the Afghan media have even admitted they downplayed problems to project the image of a triumphant election and failure by the Taliban to disrupt it.

Martine van Bijlert, co-director of the Kabul-based Afghanistan Analysts Network, said that it was hard for observers to follow exactly what was going on with the vote counting. But she said she’s more concerned about the lack of in-

formation the two election bodies have released relating to possible large-scale fraud and so-called ghost polling stations, which were closed to voters on election day but still recorded results.

“The part of the process that could sway the election is still very murky,” she said.

At Wednesday’s news conference, Muhseni repeated the mantra that no matter what happens next, the election was a success. “The number of votes will decrease, but we cannot ignore that the people of Afghanistan bravely voted on April 5,” he said. “It cannot overshadow the whole process.”

The early handling of fraud complaints had stirred anger among some of the presidential candidates. After the announcement of preliminary results, the six candidates lagging behind frontrunners Abdullah Abdullah and Ashraf Ghani in initial results released a joint statement decrying the election process.

“During the April 5 election, the wise people of the country went to the polls and made history and we are thankful for them,” the statement reads. “Unfortunately, fraud has been perpetrated by government officials and workers and the election commissions — their job was to safeguard the vote, but the election commission misbehaved with the votes of the people, which is unforgivable.”

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UK lawmakers: Security at fault in Taliban attack

LONDON — British lawmakers said Wednesday that U.K. commanders’ complacency and inadequate security were partly to blame for the failure to stop a Taliban attack on a U.S.-British base in Afghanistan that killed two U.S. Marines.

The House of Commons Defense Committee said more than half the guard towers were unstaffed at the time of the audacious September 2012 assault on Camp Bastion in Helmand province.

The lawmakers said troops on the base — who at the time included Prince Harry, a helicopter pilot — had been exposed to “unnecessary risk.”

“Insufficient attention was given to the fundamental requirement of defending Camp Bastion from external assault,” they said in a report. “We believe that this was complacent.”

The committee also said the

Ministry of Defense had been “obstructive and unhelpful” toward lawmakers investigating the attack.

In the attack, 15 Taliban insurgents dressed in U.S. military uniforms and armed with rocket-propelled grenades cut through perimeter wire.

In the ensuing firefight, two Marines were killed and 17 American and British personnel were injured. Six U.S. Harrier jump jets valued at almost \$200 million were destroyed.

Two American generals were forced to retire after a U.S. investigation into the incident.

Since the attack took place in the British sector of the camp, the lawmakers said that “British commanders must bear a degree of responsibility for these systemic failures.”

Defense Secretary Philip Hammond said “U.K. commanders have identified and acted upon all lessons following the attack on Camp Bastion in 2012.”

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Staff Sgt. Conrad Begaye, right, awards then-Spc. Kyle White the Combat Infantryman Badge during a ceremony in Nuristan Province, Afghanistan, on Nov. 6, 2007.

Honor: Soldier risked his life to aid wounded during battle

FROM FRONT PAGE

It was coming from multiple directions," White later recalled. White was knocked unconscious by a rocket-propelled grenade that landed near him. When he woke up, 10 of the 14 American troops and the ANA soldiers were gone. To avoid the enemy fire, they had been forced to slide 150 feet down the side of a rocky cliff. The only Afghan who remained was the interpreter.

White noticed that his teammate, Spc. Kain Schilling, had been shot in the arm. After White and Schilling found cover under a tree, White put a tourniquet on Schilling. Then White saw Marine Sgt. Phillip Bocks lying out in the open, badly wounded.

"The adrenalin was pumping and you had some fear, but you had a job to do and you had a buddy that was wounded and he needed help," White said.

He sprinted 30 feet across open ground under fire to reach Bocks. White had to make several runs out into the open — moving Bocks as much as possible each time before he had to pull back and draw fire away from their position — until he was able to drag Bocks out of harm's way. He succeeded, but Bocks later died. Soon afterward, Schilling got hit in the leg by small-arms fire. White again saved his life, using his belt as a tourniquet.

White then noticed his platoon leader, 1st Lt. Matthew C. Ferrara, face down on the trail, motionless. White again exposed himself to fire and crawled to Ferrara. After he realized Ferrara was dead, White returned to Schilling's side and began using his radio, until an enemy round disabled the radio. White grabbed Bocks' radio and used it to bring in mortars, artillery, air strikes and helicopter gun runs. Friendly fire gave him his second concussion

of the day when a mortar round landed close by and knocked him off his feet.

After nightfall, White organized a security perimeter with several Afghan soldiers, as they waited for the medevac helicopter to arrive amid the sounds of Taliban firing blindly into the darkness. White marked the landing zone, and when the aircraft arrived, White helped hoist the wounded into the helicopters. White would not allow himself to be evacuated until all of the wounded were loaded.

"You're so focused on what you're doing, you don't think about what you're going. You just gotta do it," he said.

White is "the type of Soldier who will drive on, even through fear, to do whatever is right and do whatever needs to be done — and that is what he did that day," said 1st Sgt. David L. Dzwik, who was the weapons squad leader in White's platoon, according to the Army.

Six of the 14 American service members died in the battle.

White, a native of Seattle, separated from the Army on July 8, 2011, and used his G.I. Bill to attend the University of North Carolina. He now works as an investment analyst in Charlotte.

White, whose father was a Special Forces soldier during the Vietnam era, will be the seventh living recipient to be awarded the Medal of Honor for actions in Iraq or Afghanistan. He and his family will join President Barack Obama at the White House for the presentation ceremony May 13. Schilling, who credits White with saving his life, also plans to be in attendance.

Efforts by Stars and Stripes to reach White for comment were not successful.

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Next Afghan leader will inherit budget troubles

By KEVIN SIEFF
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KABUL — When the next president of Afghanistan takes office later this year, he will inherit a growing budget shortfall that could leave tens of thousands of civil servants unpaid and force key public programs to shutter.

After more than a decade of Western aid projects designed to make the Afghan economy self-sustaining, government revenue continues to fall short of projections, leaving the country in dire economic straits just as foreign funding begins to dry up.

The current budget shortfall — roughly 20 percent of overall Afghan expenditures — has worsened as the country navigates a tenuous political transition, sending a shockwave through Afghanistan's nascent economy.

Afghan officials plan to request additional funds from foreign donors to make up for the shortfall. But as the United States and NATO draw down financial and military assistance this year, those emergency funds are far from guaranteed.

"If we do not receive extra funds in the next two months, we will face a problem with the operating budget, which is mostly salaries," said Alhaj Muhammad Aqa, director general of the treasury at the Finance Ministry.

Aqa said the government has roughly \$400 million less than the \$2.5 billion it was projected to spend this year, leaving officials to weigh potential cuts. That hole is expected to deepen in the coming months as the country prepares for a divisive second-round election and an active fighting season in the war against Taliban insurgents.

Afghanistan will need more than \$7 billion annually for the next decade to sustain a functional government, maintain infrastructure and fund the Afghan army and police, according to the World Bank. There are already signs that foreign donors might not have an appetite for such a commitment. The Obama administration requested \$2.1 billion in financial assistance for Afghanistan this year, but Congress approved only half that amount.

While U.S. officials acknowledge the gravity of Afghanistan's economic problems, they argue that the country should be able to steady the budget without halting government salaries. They also suggest that revenue could increase if key reforms are implemented.

"It is not a matter of providing more donor funding," said Ken Yamashita, coordinating director at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul. "Certain actions by the government need to be taken which will have quick impact on their ability to generate more revenue."

"There's definitely that significant economic contraction

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Ken Yamashita
U.S. Embassy,
Kabul

that's coming with the transition," Yamashita said. But he said the Afghan government should be able to cut other expenditures so employees continue being paid.

In spite of dozens of Western-funded programs aimed at increasing domestic revenue,

the government is still almost entirely dependent on foreign donors to shore up its budget. Taxes and customs tariffs are the only significant sources of revenue, but those collection processes are still riddled with problems. Accord-

ing to a report released Tuesday by the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, "corruption impacts all levels of the customs process."

In documents obtained by The Washington Post, the Afghan Finance Ministry recorded the performance of several would-be revenue sources developed by the United States and other donor countries at great cost: lumber production, railway fees, copper mining and oil transit. Cumulatively, those projects have yielded almost nothing, according to the documents.

Meanwhile, customs revenue and taxes continue to miss targets. From December to March, total revenue fell roughly \$120 million short of a \$560 million projection, according to Najibullah Wardak, director of the Afghan customs department.

"Customs and trade volume has been reduced significantly, and I hope it will take an upward trend when the new government is in place," Wardak said.



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Teens tune up for honors concert

By JENNIFER H. SVAN
Stars and Stripes

Watch a video of the students fine-tuning and see more photos stripes.com/go/doddsmusic

OBERWESEL, Germany — Keyton Daniels is a member of a band that plays “metal-type” stuff.

But the 17-year-old Incirlik High School senior is thrilled to have the chance to sing tenor for a Brazilian folk song, a Carly Simon tune and a 19th-century German piece about a nightingale.

Daniels is one of nearly 160 students from Department of Defense Dependents Schools-Europe chosen to attend the annual Honors Music Festival. It brings together the top DODDS-Europe vocalists and instrumentalists, who for four days this week are immersed in intense rehearsals at the Oberwesel Youth Hostel.

Two guest conductors from the United States, with help from DODDS music teachers, are leading the instruction, which culminates in a public concert Thursday night in Wiesbaden.

Daniels — one of only four members of his tiny high school choir in Incirlik, Turkey — and other students say they enjoy the festival as much for the music as the chance to spend time with teens who share a love of music.

“It’s nice to be around people as weird as you are, as passionate about what you’re passionate about,” said Daniels, who is participating in his fourth festival. “We’re all musicians here. It doesn’t matter where you came from or what you’re into — we’re all united by music.”

Though the festival brings together students from 21 schools, Alyssa Binosa, 17, a junior percussionist from Kaiserslautern High School in Germany, said the group is “like a giant music family.”

“Here people are actually passionate about the music that they play,” she said. “Back in school,

it’s just like ‘I need this for a fine arts credit or something,’ but here we actually like to play music.”

Almost 400 students tried out this year, said DODDS-Europe fine arts coordinator Hope Matthews. Auditions are blind, she said, with the nod going to the most talented musicians as determined by a selection committee.

Once chosen, students are provided the sheet music they’ll be singing or playing. They are expected to come prepared.

The fruits of that preparation were clear in chorus rehearsals, said soprano Madeleine Booth, a senior at AFNORTH in Brunssom, Netherlands.

“Even on the first day, it sounds amazing,” she said. “Obviously, there are bits to polish. But ... it already sounds so much better than anything I’ve been exposed to.”

On Tuesday, the choir, led by guest conductor Nicole Lamartine, who directs choral activities at the University of Wyoming, finetuned George Frideric Handel’s “Hallelujah Chorus” and Felix Mendelssohn’s “Die Nachtigall.”

“These students are very similar to the ones in Wyoming,” where most schools are small and geographically separated, Lamartine said. DODDS students “come from very small schools spread all over Europe, and this is their one chance to come together in a big, mixed chorus. It’s such a phenomenal experience for them because they don’t get to do this very often.”

While “hallelujahs” rung out from the choral room, the band initially struggled with the somber “Hymn for the Fallen. They pulled it together after some firm nudging by guest conductor Cecil



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Rakim Cephus, a student at Ramstein High School in Germany, is reflected in his tuba Tuesday as he watches conductor Cecil Wilder at the Department of Defense Dependents Schools-Europe Honors Music Festival in Oberwesel, Germany.



Ramstein clarinetist Thomas Davey makes a note on his sheet music during rehearsal.



From left, Kraig Sumpter and Mark Clifton, of Vilseck High School in Bavaria, and Grant Wilhoit, of Rota High School in Spain, rehearse Handel’s “Hallelujah Chorus” with the choir.

Wilder, a longtime trombonist and executive of Georgia State Music Educators Association.

“You have to do more than just play notes,” he implored, early into the band’s rendition of the song, which was composed for the movie “Saving Private Ryan.”

The clarinetists had the tough task of playing fast — and quietly — as Wilder instructed, during

the slow-tempo piece.

“It’s so hard not to be loud,” said Cherise Thomas, 15, a sophomore at Alconbury Middle/High School in England. “We’re playing the lower notes, and if you don’t put enough air into the lower notes, then they won’t come out.”

But Wilder must have been pleased by what he heard. As the band continued to work, he said,

“We’re getting better; we’re starting to get more serious about it.”

As Binosa ended the song with steady, fading beats on the snare drum, Wilder faltered in his conductor’s focus, losing himself in the music.

“Folks, that was one of the nicest moments I’ve had since I’ve been here,” he said.

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Search, rescue underway in S. Korea ferry disaster

By **HYUNG-JIN KIM**
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The Associated Press

MOKPO, South Korea — A ferry carrying more than 400 people, mostly high school students on an overnight trip to a tourist island, sank off South Korea's southern coast on Wednesday, leaving more than 280 people missing despite a frantic, hourslong rescue by dozens of ships and helicopters. At least four people were confirmed dead and 55 injured.

The high number of people unaccounted for — likely trapped in the ship or floating in the ocean — raised fears that the death toll could rise drastically, making it one of South Korea's biggest ferry disasters since 1993, when 292 people died.

Local television stations broadcast live pictures of the ship, Seoul, listing to its side and slowly sinking as passengers jumped out or were winched up by helicopters. At least 87 vessels and 18 aircraft swarmed around the stricken ship. Rescuers clambered over its sides, pulling out passengers wearing orange life jackets. But the ship overturned completely and continued to sink slowly. Within a few hours only its blue-and-white bow stuck out of the water.

Some 160 coast guard and navy divers searched for survivors inside the ship's wreckage a few miles from Byeongpung Island, which is not far from the mainland and about 290 miles from Seoul. Cho Man-yong, a coast guard spokesman, said 16 divers approached the ferry Wednesday



YONHAP/AP

Rescue helicopters fly over a sinking passenger ferry Wednesday off South Korea's southern coast.

night but failed to get inside because the current was too strong. He said the water was very muddy and visibility was poor, but navy and coast guard divers planned to make another approach after midnight.

"We cannot give up," South Korean President Park Geun-hye said after a briefing in Seoul with officials. "We have to do our best to rescue even one passenger."

Those rescued were brought to nearby Jindo Island, where medical teams wrapped them in pink blankets and checked them for injuries before settling them down on the floor of a cavernous gym-

nasium hall.

The ship had set off from Incheon, a city in South Korea's northwest and the site of the country's main international airport, on Tuesday night for an overnight, 14-hour journey to the tourist island of Jeju.

Three hours from its destination, the ferry sent a distress call about 9 a.m. Wednesday after it began listing to one side, according to the Ministry of Security and Public Administration. Officials didn't know what caused it to sink and said the focus was still on rescuing survivors.

Lee Gyeong-og, a vice minister

Bonhomme Richard heads to sinking S. Korean ferry

By **ASHLEY ROWLAND**
Stars and Stripes

SEOUL, South Korea — A U.S. Navy amphibious assault ship headed to the site where a South Korean ferry sank Wednesday to help if needed, the U.S. Navy said.

The USS Bonhomme Richard was conducting a routine patrol in the Yellow Sea when the ferry began sinking about 100 nautical miles, or 115 miles, away, according to Lt. Arlo Abrahamson, spokesman for Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Korea.

The ferry was carrying more than 400 people, mostly high school students, when it sent out a distress signal shortly before 9 a.m., South Korean officials said.

Two MH-60 helicopters equipped with lifeboats were initially dispatched from the Bonhomme Richard to the disaster site but have since been recalled, Abrahamson said.

The ship "has established communications with the Republic of Korea on-scene commander and is standing by to

assist as required," he said.

A South Korean Navy officer, speaking on condition of anonymity, said officials are waiting to see how the situation develops before requesting additional assistance from the U.S. military.

"This is about friends helping friends, and the U.S. 7th Fleet will continue to provide assistance at the request of the ROK," Abrahamson said.

The Bonhomme Richard, based out of Fleet Activities Sasebo, Japan, had been in waters near the Korean peninsula to participate in the joint U.S.-South Korean Ssang Yong amphibious landing exercise, which ended April 7, and is scheduled to conduct maritime operations west of the peninsula this week.

"Our thoughts are with the passengers of the Korean ferry that ran aground today and their families," the U.S. Embassy in Seoul said on its Facebook page.

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for South Korea's Public Administration and Security Ministry, said 30 crew members, 325 high school students, 15 school teachers and 89 non-student passengers were aboard the ship.

Authorities said the dead included a female crew member and two male high school students. A coast guard officer confirmed a fourth fatality but had no immediate details about it.

Passenger Kim Seong-mok told YTN that he was certain that many people were trapped inside

the ferry as water quickly rushed in and the severe tilt of the vessel kept them from reaching the exits. Some people urged those who couldn't get out to break windows.

Kim said that after having breakfast he felt the ferry tilt and then heard it crash into something. He said the ferry operator made an announcement asking that passengers wait and not move from their places. Kim said he didn't hear any announcement telling passengers to escape.



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UKRAINE UNREST

Presence: Ukraine crisis could cause NATO to re-evaluate military presence in Europe

FROM FRONT PAGE

“Military staff from allied nations will deploy to enhance our preparedness, training and exercises,” Rasmussen said. “Our defense plans will be reviewed and reinforced.”

The new plans outlined by Rasmussen serve as an intensification of efforts already underway.

Since Russia's annexation of Crimea from Ukraine a month ago, NATO has ramped up its presence in the Baltics and around the Black Sea. U.S. warships and F-16s have been a key part of that effort. Surveillance aircraft also have been deployed to Romania and Poland. The alliance also has suspended most military cooperation with Russia.

The added measures were among a package of recommendations made by NATO's supreme commander, U.S. Air Force Gen. Philip Breedlove. They were approved Wednesday by the council, the alliance's governing body.

“Our decisions today are about defense, deterrence and de-escalation,” Rasmussen said. “They are entirely in line with our international commitment.”

The increased NATO presence around the Baltics will be felt in a matter of days, he said. “More (measures) will follow, if needed, in the weeks and months to come.”

On Thursday, the foreign ministers of Russia, Ukraine, the U.S. and European Union met in Geneva to try to defuse the crisis. The talks will take place amid a Ukrainian military operation against pro-Russian militants in the east of the country, where Russia has massed troops along Ukraine's border.

Rasmussen did not say which countries would be contributing to the beefed-up NATO effort. However, U.S. military officials have previously stated that U.S. soldiers from the Texas-based 1st Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division — the unit already designated as the U.S. contribution to the NATO Reaction Force — could be deployed to the region to train with allies in the east. Any such move would be on a rotational basis rather than any permanent repositioning of an additional Army brigade in Europe.

When asked whether NATO would seek a permanent basing presence in the Baltics, the NATO chief said such action wasn't among the measures enacted by the alliance on Wednesday. However, Rasmussen said NATO would in the future be looking at long-term measures to “enhance our collective defense.”

A NATO diplomat, speaking on customary condition of anonymity, said the new measures represented a compromise between the demands of countries such as Poland, which eye Russia's intentions with concern and sought a more permanent NATO presence, and the majority of the 28 member states, which advocated more intensified rotational deployments and joint exercises.

Breedlove, who briefed journalists later on Wednesday, said he had been directed to develop immediate measures, which are “planned to be sustainable as a minimum through 31 December.”

“NATO will review this later

Pro-Russian insurgents seize armored vehicles

The Associated Press

SLOVYANSK, Ukraine — Pro-Russian insurgents commandeered six Ukrainian armored vehicles along with their crews and hoisted Russian flags over them Wednesday, dampening the central government's hopes of re-establishing control over eastern Ukraine.

The Ukrainian soldiers manning the vehicles offered no armed resistance, and masked pro-Russian militias in combat fatigues sat on top as they drove into the eastern city of Slovyansk, a hotbed of unrest against Ukraine's interim government.

In Brussels, NATO announced it was immediately strengthening its

military presence along its eastern border — which often lies next to Russia — in response to Russia's aggression in Ukraine. The leaders of Russia and Germany, meanwhile, talked about the turmoil in Ukraine but came to very different conclusions, their offices said.

Insurgents in Slovyansk have seized the police headquarters and the administration building, demanding broader autonomy for eastern Ukraine and closer ties with Russia. Their actions have been repeated in at least eight other cities in eastern Ukraine — and the central government says Moscow is fomenting the unrest.

One of the Ukrainian soldiers said they had defected to the pro-Russian

side — which raises the specter of an uprising led by disgruntled Ukrainian forces. But an Associated Press journalist overheard another soldier suggesting they were forced at gunpoint to hand over the vehicles.

“How was I supposed to behave if I had guns pointed at me?” the soldier, who did not identify himself, asked a resident.

Breaking hours of silence, the Ukrainian Defense Ministry issued a statement saying Ukrainian troops had entered Kramatorsk, south of Slovyansk, on Wednesday morning, where locals and “members of Russian sabotage groups” seized six armored personnel vehicles and drove them to Slovyansk.

in the year to decide which measures should go beyond that date,” he said.

“We've had a paradigm shift, change, gone through a period where I think we thought we were past the time when military force would be used to change international borders in Europe,” he said, adding that would change how NATO viewed security on the continent and the readiness and responsiveness of its forces.

Retired Adm. James Stavridis, who served four years as commander of NATO and U.S. forces in Europe before Breedlove took over last year, said the crisis in Ukraine could prompt a second look at the U.S. military posture in Europe, which has been on the decline for 20 years.

“I would guess the entire drawdown is being re-evaluated, and we may end up with three or even four combat brigades back in Europe, as well as restoration of the combat aircraft cuts of recent years,” Stavridis said.

NATO's decision to reinforce its position around the Baltics comes as security conditions in Ukraine's east continue to worsen. Pro-Russian separatists have seized assorted government buildings, prompting Kiev to deploy tanks into the east in an attempt to quell the revolt. With thousands of Russian troops sitting on the border, there are concerns that an outbreak of violence could result in a Russian intervention.

The West has accused Russia of inciting the tension. U.S. and NATO officials have repeatedly

called on Russia to de-escalate the situation and pull back from the border.

“We call on Russia to be part of the solution, to stop destabilizing Ukraine, pull back its troops from the borders and make clear it doesn't support the violent actions of well-armed militias of pro-Russian separatists.”

So far, NATO has not revealed any plans to arm or provide direct military aid to Ukraine.

Some defense experts say the U.S. should take steps to provide more support to the country's military, which so far has been largely limited to Meals, Ready to Eat. Body armor, night vision devices, communication gear and aviation fuel are among the nonlethal assistance that should be immediately sent to Kiev, they say.

“Implementation of U.S. nonlethal military aid is seriously flawed and needs immediate correction,” retired Army Gen. Wesley K. Clark and former senior Defense Department official Philip A. Karber wrote in a copy of a report obtained by The New York Times on Tuesday.

Clark and Karber also stated that lethal aid would be required in the future.

U.S. officials, however, say there is no military solution to the crisis inside Ukraine.

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Alleged Calif. serial killings highlight GPS tracker limits

By Gillian Flaccus and Don Thompson
The Associated Press

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Franc Cano and Steven Dean Gordon proved not once but allegedly twice that GPS trackers — the electronic leashes worn by 100,000 freed criminals in the U.S. — can't stop criminal activity.

Two years ago, the pair of registered sex offenders cut the monitors from their ankles, hopped a Greyhound bus from California and holed up in a Las Vegas casino hotel until they were captured two weeks later.

Released again, they were outfitted with new monitors but their criminal behavior continued in horrific fashion, according to Orange County prosecutors who allege the men raped and killed at least four women.

Investigators said data from the GPS did help them link Cano and Gordon to the killings, and they were charged this week.

But the mother of one slain woman is questioning whether it was a failure of technology or of

the system.

"If they were monitored correctly, then maybe none of this would have happened," said Jodi Michelle Pier-Estepp.

The naked body of her daughter, Jarrae Nykkole Estepp, was found March 14 on a conveyor belt at an Anaheim trash-sorting plant.

GPS monitors are supposed to deter criminals by keeping them away from forbidden areas such as schools and playgrounds and from anyone who has a protective order. They also are supposed to be an investigative tool for law enforcement to track down convicts.

Federal and state officials said that after Estepp, 21, was killed, the devices worked as intended by pinpointing the locations of Cano, 27, and Gordon, 45.

That was too little and much too late, according to Pier-Estepp.



Gordon



Cano

She fought back Tuesday outside the Santa Ana courtroom where Cano and Gordon made a brief appearance after being charged with four counts

of special circumstances murder and four counts of rape. The men are also charged with killing Kianna Jackson, 20; Josephine Monique Vargas, 34; and Martha Anaya, 28, last fall in Santa Ana.

In neighboring Anaheim, police Tuesday asked for public help to identify a potential fifth victim — a tattooed woman in her early 20s who went missing in February.

Orange County Senior Deputy District Attorney Larry Yellin said he had little information on whether the devices were used properly by state parole and federal probation agents who were monitoring Cano's and Gordon's movements.



ANAHEIM AND SANTA ANA POLICE DEPARTMENTS/AP

Clockwise from top left: Martha Anaya, Jarrae Nykkole Estepp, Josephine Monique Vargas and Kianna Jackson are believed to have been raped and killed by two parolees wearing GPS trackers.

SD car crash find linked to '71 case of missing girls

By Caron Walker
The Associated Press

ELK POINT, S.D. — Two South Dakota girls on their way to an end-of-school-year party at a gravel pit in May 1971 drove off a country road and into a crevasse where their remains lay hidden until last fall when a drought brought their car into view, authorities said Tuesday.

State and local officials held a news conference Tuesday afternoon confirming that the 1960 Studebaker unearthed in September contained the remains of Cheryl Miller and Pamela Jackson, both 17-year-olds who attended Vermillion High School.

The investigators showed dozens of photographs of well-preserved clothing, Miller's purse and even her driver's license complete with a smiling photograph. Those personal items and DNA were used to identify the girls, said Attorney General Marty Jackley. Jackson



SOUTH DAKOTA ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE/AP

Above: A Studebaker with skeletal remains found in Brule Creek near Elk Point, S.D., in September contains the remains of Cheryl Miller and Pamela Jackson, who were last seen May 29, 1971. Right: Miller's driver's license was also uncovered.



didn't have her purse along.

Classmates who saw the teens before they disappeared and other evidence indicated that they had not been drinking, he said. In addition, mechanical tests on the car pointed away from foul play, Jackley said.

"It's consistent with a car accident," Jackley said.

He said the bodies were found in the front seats, as opposed to the back seat or trunk, and that their clothing did not appear to be missing — all of which points away from their deaths

being caused by a crime.

"There is no way to know whether a blown tire might have caused a crash, but one was damaged and the tread was quite thin, he said."

Jackson's father, Oscar, died Sept. 18, five days before the car was found.

Classes resume at high school after stabbings

MURRYSVILLE, Pa. — Classes resumed Wednesday at a Pittsburgh-area high school where an anonymous said a student stabbed or slashed 21 others and a security guard a week ago while ram-

ping through a hallway with two kitchen knives.

Before school began, some students gathered at 6:30 a.m. Wednesday on the football field behind Franklin Regional High School to pray and to support one another.

After that, as day broke and other students headed to school

where they were greeted by well-wishers from a nearby church who were holding signs of support saying things like "Courage" and "It's a new day."

On Monday, teachers met with a crisis intervention specialist before spending the day at the school getting reacquainted to their surroundings. On Tuesday,

parents and students were invited to an open house of sorts at which they were able to tour the building, which had to be cleaned after the bloody attack. Members of the community gathered at a park Tuesday night for a prayer service.

From The Associated Press

Death toll reaches 37 in Wash. landslide

Los Angeles Times

A 37th body has been recovered from the debris of last month's landslide in Washington, officials announced Tuesday.

The remains have not yet been identified, leaving the number of missing people at seven.

The powerful and quick-moving landslide on March 22 in Oso killed families at home and contractors who were working in the community. A 37-year-old man remained hospitalized late Monday in satisfactory condition, Harborview Medical Center said.

Officials said search crews were helped Monday by a rain-free day, but there was a 70 percent chance of rain Tuesday.

The landslide flowed across a river in a square-mile debris field. Workers at the site are moving around the debris and pumping out water to gain access to unsearched areas. They have "made good progress" on building a temporary berm to block additional water from penetrating some of the debris, the county said.

The landslide also blocked a highway that is the main link between rural communities and Everett and Seattle. Snohomish County officials said the Red Cross is providing gas cards to help residents who have had to shift their routes.

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By JORDAN WEISSMANN

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PHILADELPHIA

In the fusty grand ballroom of Philadelphia's downtown Hyatt, Patrick "Lips" Houlahan — fighter pilot, consultant and motivational speaker — strides across the stage in his olive-green flight suit, doing his darndest to rev up a crowd of sleepy-looking business executives. He's already been introduced with a video of military jets zipping around to a speed-metal soundtrack, which blasts enough bass to make you worry about the structural integrity of the enormous chandelier dangling overhead. Now, Houlahan is quizzing an audience member about the flight scenes in "Top Gun."

According to Houlahan, those scenes are bogus. Fighter pilots don't casually chat like Maverick and Iceman while flying jets that cost tens of millions of dollars. They try to keep focused on the task at hand while subjecting their bodies to the physical punishment of extreme G-forces. Another video clip shows pilots in air combat training, gasping through their oxygen tubes while craning to see each other out of their cockpits.

"He's practically popping every vertebrae out of his neck — to keep track of what?" Houlahan asked. The crowd murmured a bit. "That's right," he finished, "the competition!" More murmurs, this time of recognition. If you're in charge of, say, sales at a midsize medical supply company, keeping an eye on the competition might seem like a goal worth popping a vertebrae for.

Houlahan, who got the call sign "Lips" during flight school, had come to the day's conference as an emissary from Afterburner, a quirky consulting firm made up largely of trained fighter pilots just like him. I had gotten in touch with the company to learn about the somewhat shticky but oddly intriguing cottage industry of military veterans who make their living teaching companies the modern art of war — or at least, the art of meticulously planning for it.

Tried and trite

Comparing the corporate world to a battlefield is, of course, a tried and trite habit of business press the world over. But it turns out some management consultants make good money bringing real military strategies and processes to the boardroom.

In its first issue back on stands, for instance, *Newsweek* profiled the McChrystal Group, the small firm co-founded in 2011 by ex-Gen. Stanley McChrystal, who was fired from his job leading the war in Afghanistan after he and his staff were quoted in *Rolling Stone* mocking their civilian command. The company takes the lessons McChrystal and his compatriots learned hunting down al-Qaida and teaches them to businesses facing upheaval in their industries.

Afterburner, meanwhile, was founded in 1996 by Air Force veteran Jim "Murph" Murphy. Its team of 50 speakers and consultants includes a scattering of SEALs and special operations vets who preach the firm's gospel of "flawless execution," a process for planning and operations management, to clients that have included the New York Giants and the more than 500 companies such as PepsiCo and Shell.

Especially if you have an aversion to military- or corporate-speak, both companies can come off as a tad over the top. In the *Newsweek* piece, McChrystal Group co-founder and CEO David Silverman managed to compare the military's fight against al-Qaida to the marketing company's struggle against Napster, seemingly with a



JOHN VANBEEKUM, MIAMI HERALD/MCT

A US Air Force F-15E Strike Eagle aircraft fires its afterburner as it starts a rapid ascent into the clouds during a wings over Homestead, Fla., air show in November 2010. Consulting firm Afterburner teaches companies how to plan "missions."

straight face. Afterburner's team-building seminars often start with jumpsuit-wearing pilots barging into a conference room and shouting into bullhorns that the client's employees are now at war; the participants are then rounded up into a strategy session, during which they plan a mission for the company.

Something serious

Beyond the overlooked analogies and war games, though, both companies offer something serious. The military is, of course, a hugely complex bureaucracy that specializes in training and logistics; its innovations laid the groundwork for some of what gets taught in business schools today.

The field of operations research — essentially, using scientific and mathematical methods to solve management problems — was pioneered by Britain's Royal Navy during World War II, then spread to the U.S. military and beyond. Today, the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business sends MBA students to the U.S. Marine Corps Base at Quantico, Va., twice a year for leadership training.

What veterans "are really great at is taking really complex systems and boiling them down to their key nodes, or pathways, so they can execute extremely efficiently," said Preston Cline, Wharton's director for leadership venture in the Graduate Leadership Program. "And the reason for that is, if they fail, their friends die."

As a general, McChrystal was renowned

largely for rehabbing the lumbering bureaucracy of the Joint Special Operations Command. By the time he was done overhauling it, JSOC had become a ruthlessly efficient counterterrorism organization. McChrystal's consulting firm — which declined to talk to me for this piece — might sell itself with battlefield gravitas, but it really just seems to be offering hard-earned expertise on organization design and management.

Plan. Brief. Execute. Debrief.

Afterburner is a similar case. As Murphy tells it, the seeds of the idea came to him while he was sitting in the cockpit of an F-15 on Luke Air Force Base, getting ready to take his first solo flight. Before joining the Air Force, Murphy had worked for Toshiba, selling copiers in rural Kentucky. As he got ready for takeoff, it occurred to him that the military had perfected its training processes so carefully that he could learn to fly one of the world's most sophisticated jets in 18 months flat.

That same night, Murphy recalls thinking, "If I were to have had just one hundredth of this training when I was selling copiers for Toshiba, think about how much more of an effective salesperson I would have been. I made a vow at this point to study the human process that we had just went through and one day, when I get out of the Air Force, when I'm no longer a fighter pilot, I'm going to teach companies what I learned."

Those lessons, it turns out, can largely be summed up in a four-word formula: Plan. Brief. Execute. Debrief. Then repeat. Once military leaders have set out a larger strategy — say, for an air campaign — they break it down into discrete missions that can be accomplished one by one (i.e., we're flying out Friday to bomb this particular target). Before each mission, a squadron briefs the objectives, how it could go wrong and contingency plans. Then they execute the mission using a series of checklists and cross-checks. Afterward, during the debrief, they review what went right and wrong to glean lessons for next time.

Afterburner works with companies to incorporate all of those steps into their operations, both through its colorful seminars and straightforward consulting gigs. With all companies, for instance, the firm will help convert its safety procedures into basic checklists and cross-check protocols that can be repeated again and again to prevent accidents. But perhaps the most interesting part of the equation is the debrief. When fighter pilots walk into the debriefing room after a mission to pore over what went right and wrong, they literally remove their helmet name and rank patches from their flight suits — symbolically, it means everybody's performance is open for criticism, including the commanding officer. Team members, including leaders, are expected to own up to their own mistakes.

That kind of radical honesty might be strange to corporate types who aren't used to admitting fault or calling out the boss. Among the method's fans in New York Giants coach Tom Coughlin, who hired Afterburner to teach his team debriefing skills during the 2011 season — which ended in a Super Bowl victory. As Coughlin told the *Wall Street Journal* at the time, "I've always been a self-analyst guy."

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OPINION

A lesson in forgiveness from a Fort Hood victim

By BOB RAY SANDERS

When President Barack Obama and the first lady made a return visit to Fort Hood last week, they paused in front of the kind of memorials we have become accustomed to seeing since the start of the Iraq and Afghanistan wars.

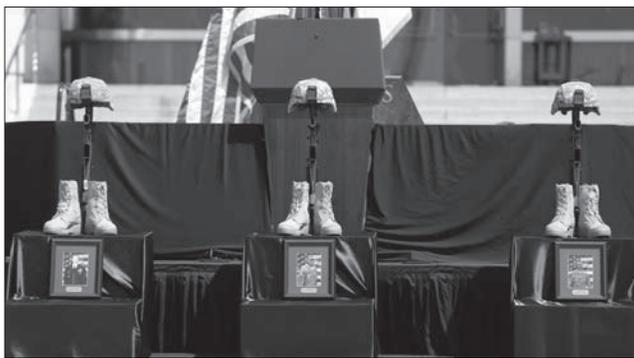
But this time the moving symbols — three pairs of boots, three rifles topped with three helmets, alongside photographs of three proud servicemen — did not represent soldiers killed in war. They had been slain by one of their own when Spc. Ivan Lopez went on an eight-minute shooting spree, wounding 16 others before killing himself.

The president, and the nation as a whole, couldn't help but recall that five years earlier another soldier, Maj. Nidal Hasan, engaged in a rampage that left 13 dead and 32 injured at the same military post.

"Part of what makes this so painful is that we've been here before," the president said. "This tragedy tears at wounds still raw from five years ago. Once more, soldiers who survived foreign war zones were struck down here at home, where they're supposed to be safe."

Although there were only three sets of memorials in front of the podium where Obama spoke, he made a point to include the shooter in his remarks.

"Today four American soldiers are gone; four Army families are devastated," he said.



CAROLYN KASTER/AP

Three Soldiers Crosses honoring servicemen killed in the Fort Hood shootings on April 2 — from left, Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Michael Ferguson, Staff Sgt. Carlos Alberto Lazaney Rodriguez and Sgt. Timothy Owens — are set on stage before a memorial service where President Barack Obama spoke April 9, at Fort Hood, Texas.

Sometimes we forget that the families of assailants suffer along with the families of victims.

I saw this back during the gang wars in the 1980s when, on more than one occasion, I found myself in the presence of two mothers crying: one because her son was dead, the other because her son had killed him.

The same day that the president was in Fort Hood, KERA radio broadcast a story profiling a victim still recovering from the Fort

Hood shooting of 2009, and it was one of the most moving accounts of forgiveness I've ever heard.

Patrick Zeigler had been so severely wounded that he was nicknamed "No. 14" because many didn't think he would survive the four severe bullet wounds, including one to the head that resulted in 20 percent of his brain being removed, correspondent Doulay Xaykaothao reported.

Now living with his wife in Rochester, Minn., Zeigler said

Hasan's religious beliefs that led him to kill fellow soldiers were "a very ignorant and misplaced ideology," adding that it was "very simple" for him to forgive the shooter.

Zeigler and his wife have become friends with members of Hasan's family, the radio report said.

Wife Jessica Zeigler said, "What I learned about them is that they're phenomenal people who have a beautiful faith. And

they're good family members. They love one another, they care about the victims, and they've done kind things for the victims, us included."

Jessica Zeigler also said the Fort Hood community should support the family of the most recent shooter, Lopez, because they should not be held responsible for what he did.

"His wife, his father, his family, the children are just as much victims in this," she told Xaykaothao. "They deserve the same level of support and empathy and prayers (from) the community."

I was moved by the compassion expressed by this young couple who now have a 1-year-old son who came along after Zeigler thought he wouldn't be able to have children.

We certainly shouldn't make apologies for Lopez, Hasan or any other mass killer, but we do have to recognize that many in our military are returning home mentally wounded.

The president took note of that in his speech last week, saying, "I'm determined we will continue to step up our efforts to reach our troops and veterans who are hurting, to deliver to them the care that they need and to make sure we never stigmatize those that have the courage to seek help."

Unless action follows those words, we can expect a lot more tragedies on the homefront.

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Technology, social media offer today's stressed teens relief

By DANAH BOYD

If you're like most middle-class parents, you've probably gotten annoyed with your daughter for constantly checking her Instagram feed or with your son for his two-clumbed texting at the dinner table. But before you rage against technology and start unfavorably comparing your children's lives with your less-wired childhood, ask yourself this: Do you let your 10-year-old roam the neighborhood on her bicycle as long as she's back by dinner? Are you comfortable, for hours at a time, not knowing your teenager's exact whereabouts?

What American children are allowed to do — and what they are not — has shifted significantly over the last 30 years, and the changes go far beyond new technologies.

If you grew up middle-class in America prior to the 1980s, you were probably allowed to walk your dog alone and provided it was still light out and you had done your homework — hop on your bike and have adventures your parents knew nothing about. Most kids had some kind of curfew, but a lot of them also snuck out on occasion. And even those who weren't given an allowance had ways to earn spending money by delivering newspapers, say, or baby-sitting neighborhood children.

All that began to change in the 1980s. In response to anxiety about "latchkey" kids, middle- and upper-class parents started placing their kids in after-school programs and other activities that filled up their lives from morning to night. Working during high school became far less common. Not only

Snapchat, Tumblr, Twitter and Facebook may be fun, but they're also offering today's teens a relief valve for coping with the increased stress and restrictions they encounter.

did newspaper routes become a thing of the past but parents quit entrusting their children to teenage baby-sitters, and fast-food restaurants shifted to hiring older workers.

Parents are now the primary mode of transportation for teenagers, who are far less likely to walk to school or take the bus than any previous generation. And because most parents work, teens' mobility and ability to get together casually with friends has been severely limited. Even sneaking out is futile, because there's nowhere to go. Curfew, trespassing and loitering laws have restricted teens' presence in public spaces. And even if one teen has been allowed out independently and has the means to do something fun, it's unlikely her friends will be able to join her.

Given the array of restrictions teens face, it's not surprising that they have embraced technology with such enthusiasm. The need to hang out, socialize, gossip and flirt hasn't diminished, even if kids' ability to get together has.

After studying teenagers for a decade, I've come to respect how their creativity, ingenuity and resilience have not been dampened even as they have been misunderstood, underappreciated and reviled. I've watched teenage couples co-create images to produce a portrait of intimacy when

they lack the time and place to actually kiss. At a more political level, I've witnessed undocumented youth use social media to rally their peers and personal networks to speak out in favor of the Dream Act, even going so far as to orchestrate school walkouts and local marches.

This does not mean that teens always use the tools around them for productive purposes. Plenty of youth lash out at others, emulating a pervasive culture of meanness and cruelty. Others engage in risky behaviors, seeking attention in deeply problematic ways. Yet, even as those who are hurting others often make visible their own personal struggles, I've met alienated LGBT youth for whom the Internet has been a lifeline, letting them see that they aren't alone as they struggle to figure out whom to trust.

And I'm on the board of Crisis Text Line, a service that connects thousands of struggling youth with counselors who can help them. Technology can be a lifesaver, but only if we recognize that the Internet makes visible the complex realities of people's lives.

As a society, we both fear teenagers and fear for them. They bear the burden of our cultural obsession with safety, and they're constantly used as justification for increased restrictions. Yet, at the end of

the day, their emotional lives aren't all that different from those of their parents as teenagers. All they're trying to do is find a comfortable space of their own as they work out how they fit into the world and grapple with the enormous pressures they face.

Viewed through that prism, it becomes clear how the widespread embrace of technology and the adoption of social media by kids have more to do with noncyclical changes in youth culture than with anything particularly compelling about those tools. Snapchat, Tumblr, Twitter and Facebook may be fun, but they're also offering today's teens a relief valve for coping with the increased stress and restrictions they encounter, as well as a way of being with their friends even when their more restrictive lives keep them apart.

The irony of our increasing cultural desire to protect kids is that our efforts may be harming them. In an effort to limit the dangers they encounter, we're not allowing them to develop skills to navigate risk. In our attempts to protect them from harmful people, we're not allowing them to learn to understand, let alone negotiate, public life. It is not possible to produce an informed citizenry if we do not first let people engage in public.

Treating technology as something to block, limit or demonize will not help youth come of age more successfully. If that's the goal, we need to collectively work to undo the culture of fear and support our youth in exploring public life, online and off.

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NATION

College Board provides a glimpse of new SAT

By KIMBERLY HEFLING
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Anxious students — not to mention their parents — can get a heads-up for how the redesigned SAT might look in two years.

Sample questions for the new version of the college-entrance test were released on Wednesday by the College Board, which announced last month that the new test will include real-world applications and require more analysis. Students will also be asked to cite evidence to show their understanding of texts.

A reading passage provided as an example was adapted from a speech delivered in 1974 by Rep. Barbara Jordan, D-Texas, during the impeachment hearings of President Richard Nixon. Test takers must an-

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David Coleman
College Board president

swer questions that best describe Jordan's stance and the main rhetorical effect of a part of the passage.

Another sample question asks test takers to calculate what it would cost an American

traveling in India to convert dollars to rupees. Another question requires students to use the findings of a political survey to answer questions.

The College Board said all the information about the redesigned test, which is due out in 2016, is in draft form and subject to change.

“It is our goal that every student who takes the test will be well informed and will know exactly what to expect on the day of the test,” College Board President David Coleman and Cynthia Schmeiser, the College Board's chief of assessment, said in a letter posted online.

Every test will include a passage from the U.S. founding documents, such as the Declaration of Independence, or conversations they've inspired, the College Board has said. The essay section, which is be-

coming optional, will require students to read a passage and explain how the author constructed an argument.

Other changes to the SAT include making a computer-based version of the test an option, getting rid of the penalty for wrong answers, limiting the use of a calculator to select sections and returning to a 1,600-point scale. The College Board said obscure vocabulary words would be replaced with those more likely to be used in classrooms or on the job, and the math section will concentrate on areas that “matter most for college and career readiness and success.”

The ACT, a competing test that already offers an optional essay, announced last year that it would begin making computer-based testing available.

Modest goals for gun-control advocates as election nears

By ALAN FRAM
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Democratic worries about this November's elections, a lack of Senate votes and House opposition are forcing congressional gun-control supporters to significantly winnow their 2014 agenda, a year after lawmakers scuttled President Barack Obama's effort to pass new curbs on firearms.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., recently said he needs additional votes before revisiting a proposed expansion of gun sale background checks that the Senate derailed last April. That has left advocates of tighter gun curbs hoping Reid will allow votes on more modest proposals, such as one by Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., to add convicted stalkers to the list of criminals barred from acquiring guns.

But with Reid wary of exposing Democratic senators facing tight re-election contests in some conservative and Western states to politically risky votes — and the Republican House showing no appetite to restrict guns anyway — people aren't holding their breath waiting for proposed gun restrictions to reach the Senate floor before Election Day.

“This kind of change doesn't happen overnight,” said Dan Gross, president of the Center for American Progress in Virginia. “There are obviously a lot of other considerations and variables in play here, like elections.”

Klobuchar's bill on stalkers would play into Democrats' campaign-season theme of pushing legislation that appeals to women, a key swing demographic. She said Tuesday she has discussed her legislation with Reid but didn't ask about holding a vote because she's first trying to round up Republican support to make the measure bipartisan.

Caution on the gun issue by Senate Democratic leaders has been displayed since the 2010 midterms, even after the December 2012 killings of 20 children and six adults at an elementary school in Newtown, Conn.

As the issue has ebbed in Congress, it has accelerated in the states, where legislatures are debating hundreds of gun-control bills, some loosening and others strengthening restrictions.



BRENNAN LINSLEY/AP

A wish to soar like Iron Man

Wearing an Iron Man costume, Max Vertin, 7, from Hastings, Neb., floats in a free-fall simulating wind tunnel during a day hosted by the Make-A-Wish Foundation at SkyVenture Colorado in Lone Tree, Colo., on Tuesday. Vertin and his two brothers have Duchenne muscular dystrophy, a rare disease which causes their muscles to slowly deteriorate.

End of NYPD Muslim surveillance program applauded

By JAKE PEARSON and TOM HAYS
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Muslim groups and civil liberties advocates applauded the decision by New York Police Department officials to disband a controversial unit that tracked the daily lives of Muslims as part of efforts to detect terrorism threats, but they said there were concerns about whether other problematic practices remained in place.

The Demographics Unit, conceived with the help of a CIA agent working with the NYPD, assembled databases on where

Muslims lived, shopped, worked and prayed. Plainclothes officers infiltrated Muslim student groups, put informants in mosques, monitored sermons and catalogued Muslims in New York who adopted new, Americanized surnames. NYPD spokesman Stephen Davis confirmed Tuesday that detectives assigned to the unit had been transferred to other duties within the department's Intelligence Division.

Fahd Ahmed, legal and policy director of Desis Rising Up and Moving, called the decision “a small step.” He questioned what

had happened to the information gathered by the unit.

An ongoing review of the division by new Police Commissioner William Bratton found that the same information collected by the unit could be better collected through direct contact with community groups, officials said.

In a statement, Mayor Bill de Blasio, a Democrat, called the move “a critical step forward in easing tensions between the police and the communities they serve, so that our cops and our citizens can help one another go after the real bad guys.”

FACES

Marlon Wayans is in it for laughs, but his career is



By AMY KAUFMAN
Los Angeles Times

“How you doin’, baby?” Marlon Wayans said, leaning down to kiss a doll on the lips.

The toy, a prop from Wayans’ latest movie, “A Haunted House 2,” was propped up in a chair across the table from the actor at a stuffy Beverly Hills, Calif., restaurant. The doll, named Abigail, was meant to resemble a creepy figurine from 2013’s “The Conjuring”: Both shared dead green eyes, sooty peasant dress and pigtail braids.

Wayans, 41, has long been known for his outrageous comic taste. He dressed as a Caucasian female FBI agent in “White Chicks” and has been poking fun at the horror genre for years, launching the hit “Scary Movie” parody franchise in 2000. The first entry in his new spoof series, “A Haunted House,” was made for \$1.7 million and last year grossed \$60 million; the second installment is due out in U.S. theaters on April 18.

OK, let’s get right to it: What is it like to pretend to have sex with a doll?

She’s kinda sexy. I like when girls don’t blink. When I kiss, I kiss with my eyes open. I want to look into your soul. I grab women by the eyelashes and open their eyes up. They get a little nervous. But I think good sex is including five senses.

Your sense of humor is pretty out there.

I’ve never progressed past the age of 15. I laugh a lot, and I don’t take things too seriously. ... I think it’s good to be a kid again.

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Marlon Wayans
star of “A Haunted House 2”

Were you a fan of horror films growing up?

There’s nothing like being a kid and being scared and seeing some boobs. Going through puberty, horror films were a great way to see boobs and have it not be porn. We didn’t have the Internet back then. ...

You and your brothers worked on the first two films in the “Scary Movie” franchise, but The Weinstein Co. made three more movies without you. What happened?

There’s nothing to really have any kind of bitterness for, because the reality is we just couldn’t make a deal. They knew it was going to be expensive to make a third one with us, so they went a different direction. We put a certain price on our jokes, and the franchise had made close to a billion dollars. We just wanted our slice of the pie, and we just couldn’t come to terms. ... “Scary Movie” is like that child that you love that you put a lot of energy into, and then it went off to become

a crackhead but you still love it because it’s your child.

You’re often referred to as one of the most successful black filmmakers in Hollywood. How do you feel about that label?

When we did “Scary Movie,” it had the biggest opening ever for a R-rated comedy, and they kept saying “for a black director.” My brother, Keenan, was like, “No, for any director.” Listen, I’m black, and I wear that every day. I wouldn’t want to change my color. But I won’t wear the cap that comes with what their perception of black is — it has a cap and ceiling and budget and parameter. Why can’t I dream like “Avatar”? Why can’t our movies open overseas?

A few years ago, Bill Condon cast you to play Richard Pryor in a film about the comedian. Now that director Lee Daniels has taken over the project, I hear your brother, Damon, is in the running for the part. What’s up?

I know it’s either meant to be or it’s not. Damon’s a great choice. Better him than anybody else. Whoever does it, I’ll be happy for them. I’ll give them advice. I’ve been doing stand-up for ... years to prepare for that moment to actually do that movie. To develop that skill set to play Pryor — it’s not going to be easy. I’ve read eight books on Pryor. I know enough about the man. For me, it’s important that they just do the movie right. ... But if I do it, I know I’ll smash it. It’ll probably be my best work because I’m so committed. But if it doesn’t happen, I still think I’m gonna smash life and smash my career and do my best work because it’s ahead of me.



HBO/AP

Julia Louis-Dreyfus stars on the TV show “Veep.” She was also in the ‘90s series “Seinfeld.”

Second acts: Some stars find success again with new roles

By DANIEL BUBBEO
Newsday

Half to the chief’s second in command, Julia Louis-Dreyfus, who made her name as the “Seinfeld” gang’s spunky Elaine, has never been funnier — or more playful — than as pically imperfect U.S. Vice President Selina Meyer on HBO’s “Veep,” currently airing on AFN-Spectrum. She joins a long list of TV talents who reinvented themselves and had another series success.

Dick Van Dyke: The oftoman emperor was a master of physical comedy as TV writer-suburban family man Bob Petrie on his eponymous ‘60s sitcom and then proved to be a master at solving crimes as medic-sleuth Mark Cranston from 1993 to 2001 on “Diagnosis Murder.”

Mary Tyler Moore: She rocked capri pants better than anyone as Van Dyke’s sitcom spouse, then turned the world on with her smile from 1970 to 1977 as career girl Mary Richards on “The Mary Tyler Moore Show.”

Betty White: As man-hungry Sue Ann Nivens, aka “the Happy Homemaker,” on Moore’s series, she had a tongue sharper than a Ginzu knife. As Rose Nylund, the naive member of “The Golden Girls,” she had a St. Olaf story for every occasion.

Neil Patrick Harris: He played doctor as the teen medic of the ‘80s dramedy “Doogie Howser, M.D.,” then played doctor as bedhopping ladies’ man Barney Stinson on “How I Met Your Mother.” **Ed O’Neill and Katey Sagal:** The tickering Bundys from “Married ... With Children” currently play very different familial types in two critically acclaimed shows — O’Neill as “Modern Family” patriarch Jay and Sagal as motorcycle mama Gemma on “Sons of Anarchy.”

Larry Hagman: The congenial master on “I Dream of Jeannie” made a magical transformation, starring as villainous J.R. Ewing on the ‘80s prime-time soap “Dallas.” He reprised his J.R. role on TNT’s “Dallas” reboot until his death in 2012.

Bryan Cranston: The actor who played bumbling dad Hal on “Malcolm in the Middle” cooked up crystal meth as the dark and disturbed character Walter White on “Breaking Bad.”

Walker’s brothers step in to finish ‘Fast & Furious 7’

The Associated Press

Paul Walker’s brothers to help finish filming on “Fast & Furious 7” the film Walker was in the midst of making when he died in November.

Caleb Walker and Cody Walker have been enlisted to complete their brother’s action scenes and “fill in small gaps left in production,” Universal Pictures said in a statement Tuesday on the film’s Facebook page.

“Having them on set has made us feel that Paul is with us too,” read the statement.

Production on “Fast & Furious 7” recently resumed after it was suspended following Walker’s death in a car crash on Nov. 30 outside Los Angeles.

The movie’s release was delayed to April 2015.

Miley Cyrus hospitalized

Miley Cyrus is in the hospital and unable to perform her “Bangerz” concert in Kansas City, Mo., as planned.

A spokeswoman for the singer says the 21-year-old canceled her performance Tuesday after she was hospitalized for a severe allergic reaction to antibiotics. Publicist Meghan Prophet says in a statement that Cyrus is on “medical rest” at her doctors’ advice. Cyrus said on Twitter that she’s heartbroken to miss the show. She also posted a photo of herself

wearing what appears to be a hospital gown.

Other news

■ **Stephen Colbert** will be paying a visit to CBS’ “Late Show,” his future home. The network said Tuesday that Colbert will be a guest on “Late Show with David Letterman” on April 22.

■ **Groundbreaking** song-and-dance show “Soul Train” is chugging toward Broadway. Stage and film producer Matthew Weaver, who helped create “Rock of Ages,” has acquired the theatrical stage rights to the TV show and said Tuesday he’s hoping to repeat his success by turning “Soul Train” into a show.

MILITARY



BEST SEAT IN THE HOUSE

Soldiers of the 2nd Squadron, 38th Cavalry Regiment taking part in the NATO-led peacekeeping mission in Kosovo conducted parachute training at Camp Bondsteel, near the village of Sojeve, on Tuesday. The peacekeeping force regularly conducts parachute exercises to maintain proficiency in airborne operations during its deployment.

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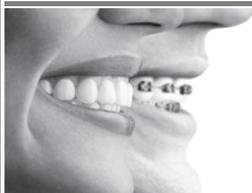
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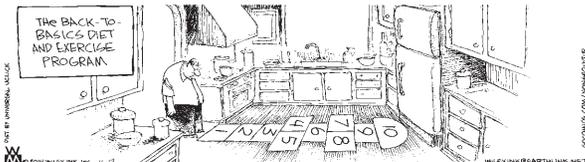
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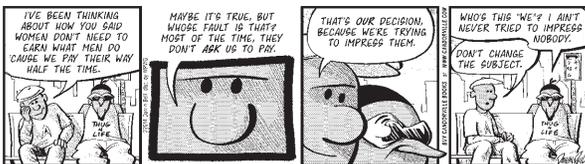
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- 8 "Be quiet!"
- 12 Pop flavor
- 13 Born
- 14 Aware of
- 15 "Sad to say ..."
- 16 Papa
- 17 Garfield's pal
- 18 Irritate
- 20 Printshop workers, at times
- 23 Listener
- 23 Rowing tool
- 24 Tater
- 27 World War I soldier
- 32 Family
- 33 Possess
- 34 Rage
- 35 Humored
- 38 Paradise
- 39 Away from WSW
- 40 Historic period
- 42 Pantry
- 45 Rue
- 49 Sax range
- 50 Actress Thurman
- 52 Cordelia's father
- 53 Reed instrument
- 54 Knightly address
- 55 Spanish river
- 56 Cutting tools

DOWN

- 1 Cicatrix
- 2 Granada greeting
- 3 "Two and a Half Men" role
- 4 Incognito, perhaps
- 5 Likely loser
- 6 Culpa lead-in
- 7 Mani counterpart
- 8 Water pipe
- 9 Go low, on "The Price Is Right"
- 10 Use as teaspoon
- 11 Weeding tools
- 12 Scale member
- 13 Yuletide quaff
- 24 Tackle moguls
- 25 Wrestling victory
- 26 Dangerous current
- 28 Have bills
- 29 Deodorant target
- 30 Raw rock
- 31 Longing
- 36 Ruins
- 37 Sheltered side
- 38 Philly team
- 41 Concerning
- 42 Cambodia neighbor
- 43 Actress Jessica
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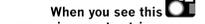
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SPORTS BRIEFS

NCAA council OKs plan for unlimited food

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA's Legislative Council approved a proposal Tuesday to expand the meal allowance for all athletes.

The move occurred eight days after Connecticut guard Shabazz Napier complained during the NCAA Four that he sometimes went to bed "starving" because he couldn't afford food.

The proposal would allow Division I schools to provide unlimited meals and snacks to all athletes, including walk-ons. The measure still must be approved by the board of directors, which meets April 24.

"I think the end result is going to be that it needs to be," committee chairwoman and America East assistant commissioner Mary Mulvenna said in a statement released by the governing body.

The proposal has been debated for months, but Napier's comments following last week's national championship game brought attention to the topic. Napier was named the Most Outstanding Player of the NCAA tournament, leading Connecticut to its fourth men's title.

Schools have been allowed to provide three meals per day or a stipend for those meals to scholarship athletes. The new rule would allow walk-ons to receive the same allowances and would allow schools to provide more meals and snacks, too.

Packers reach deal with backup QB Flynn

GREEN BAY, Wis. — The Packers have reached a deal to bring back backup quarterback Matt Flynn, who stabilized the position after starter Aaron Rodgers went down with a collarbone injury last season.

Flynn's agent, Bill Johnson, confirmed the two sides had agreed to terms. Details were not announced.

Flynn threw for 1,146 yards with seven touchdowns and four interceptions in five games in 2013 with Green Bay, including four starts. Flynn helped lead the Packers to two December victories following a five-game winless kick coinciding with Rodgers' injury.

Martin leaves Vols to take over at Cal

BERKELEY, Calif. — A more relaxed fan base, milder weather and a chance to coach at the top-rated public university in the country added up to Cuozzo Martin making the decision to leave Tennessee for California.

Cal hired Martin as the 16th men's basketball coach in school history Tuesday, a decision that stunned Volunteers administrators and players after he had reaffirmed his commitment to Tennessee just two weeks ago. Martin said it was a difficult move but the opportunity at Cal

was too much to pass up. "It's a beautiful place. I got off the plane and I just said, 'Ahhh,'" Martin said during his introductory news conference in Berkeley.

"I think it has a chance to be special. I think that's the most intriguing thing to me. It's a place I could spend the rest of my life."

Cal athletic director Sandy Barbour said Martin's contract, which is still being finalized, is for five years. Financial details will be released at a later date.

Martin replaces Mike Montgomery, who retired last month after six seasons in Berkeley. Martin went 63-41 in three seasons at Tennessee, including a 24-13 mark and an appearance in the regional semifinals of the NCAA tournament this season. He also was previously the coach at Missouri State.

Martin succeeds one of the most successful college coaches in the history of the San Francisco Bay Area. Montgomery finished his career with a 677-317 record, having also spent 18 years at Stanford and eight at Montana.

The decision left players, administrators and fans back in Knoxville stunned. Tennessee athletic director Dave Hart said he didn't know Martin was involved in the Cal job until they spoke Tuesday morning.

"We did have a conversation. He was very emotional," Hart said. "The bottom line is he said in his heart he believed this was best for [him] and his family."

Stauskas, Robinson leave Michigan for NBA

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Michigan sophomores Nik Stauskas and Glenn Robinson III are entering the NBA Draft.

"I heard from the advisory board in the middle of last week, a couple days after that I really decided," Stauskas said. "The information I got from them was kind of what I wanted to be."

Robinson, whose dad played in the NBA, needed a little longer to decide whether to stay or go.

"I really didn't make my decision until last night," he said Tuesday.

In their college basketball news:

Michigan State forward Brandon Dawson is staying for his senior season. He averaged a career-high 11.2 points during the last regular season, and 16.3 points and 8.8 rebounds in the NCAA tournament.

Source: Running back Johnson meets with Jets

NEW YORK — Former Tennessee Titans running back Chris Johnson visited the New York Jets on Tuesday, a person familiar with the situation told The Associated Press.

Johnson was released by the Titans on April 7, three days after the team informed him of the decision. The former 2,000-yard rusher met with the Jets at their facility and took a physical, ac-

cording to the person who spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because the team doesn't make player visits public.

The running back attended the Knicks-Nets basketball game in Brooklyn on Tuesday night, and told reporters that his visit with the Jets "went well," but he wasn't ready to make a decision. The Jets were the first team Johnson has met with since becoming a free agent.

Johnson, who is only the sixth player to rush for 1,000 yards in each of his first six seasons.

Rays lose lefty Moore for season

BALTIMORE — Tampa Bay Rays left-hander Matt Moore will miss the remainder of the season after opting to have elbow-ligament replacement surgery.

Dr. James Andrews is to operate next week on the 24-year-old pitcher, who made the AL All-Star team last year. Moore will be the first Rays pitcher to undergo Tommy John surgery since Jason Irmayhausen in June 2009.

Moore was 0-2 this year despite allowing only three runs in 10 innings.

In other MLB news: Prized prospect George Springer said he would join the Houston Astros from Triple-A Oklahoma City on Wednesday.

The 24-year-old outfielder hit .308 with three homers and eight RBIs this season.

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College baseball

Tuesday's scores

SOUTH

Arkansas St. 6, Louisville 4
Belmont 2, Lipscomb 1
Charlotte at Gardner-Whitcomb, p.pd.
Clemson 9, Coastal Carolina 1
Erskine 6, Bryant 4
Florida St., Jacksonville 11
Georgia Tech 4, Georgia 1
Kentucky 4, Louisville 2
Lincolnton at Lenoir-Rhyne, p.pd.
Loyola MD, Southern Miss 1
Mercer at Georgia Southern, p.pd.
Murray St. 11, Evansville 6
Tennessee Tech 7, Alabama A&M 1
Trevettan Nazarene 10, Kentucky St. 0
Vanderbilt 19, Middle Tennessee 1

MIDWEST

Duane 6-13, Brockport 11
E. Michigan 3, Central 2, p.pd.

SOUTHWEST

Baylor 1, Texas Southern 0
E. New Mexico 8, Wayland Baptist 3
Texas Tech 1, Sam Houston 1
Lamar 10, Rice 1
Texas A&M, Texas-Arlington 2
Texas Tech 1, Oklahoma Baptist 1
Texas Tech 5, Dallas Baptist 4
UTSA 7, Texas St. 1

Pro football

NFL calendar

May 2 - Deadline for restricted free agents to sign offer sheets.
May 3 - Players and coaches allowed to exercise right of first refusal for its restricted free agents.
May 10-21 - 2014 NFL Draft, New York, N.Y.
May 19-21 - Spring league meeting, Atlanta, Ohio.
June 22-28 - Rookie symposium, Aurora, Ohio.

AP spotlight

April 17 - Joe Louis knocks out Jack Root 2 of the first round. The Los Angeles to retain the world heavyweight title.
1976 - Mike Schmidt hits four consecutive home runs in the eighth inning as the Philadelphia Phillies overcome a 2-2 deficit to beat the St. Louis Cardinals 4-3 in 10 innings at Chicago's Wrigley Field.
1980 - The Chicago Bulls defeat Alex English, Dan Issel and Kirk Vandeweghe each average 20 points a game, the first ever for a team to score 100 points. Cliff Hagan and Clyde Lovellette of St. Louis, Mo., set a record for 18-16 in 10 innings at Chicago's Wrigley Field.
1987 - Julius Erving of the Philadelphia 76ers becomes the first player to score 30,000 points in his pro career. Erving scores 38 points to join Walt Frazier, Philadelphia and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar as the only players to score 30,000 points in their pro career.
1989 - Abebe Mekonnen pulls away from Jim DeGroot of Tanzania, the runner-up for the second consecutive year from June through August, to win the 48-iron victory in the Boston Marathon.
1994 - Carl Lewis and his Santa Monica, Calif., coach Tommie Smith set a world record in the 800-meter relay at the 1994 Antonio College Relays. Lewis, Mike Marsh, Leroy Burrell and Floyd Little of the United States set a new world record of 1:19.11 they had set on April 25, 1992.
1995 - Kenya's Cosmas Ndeti wins the Boston Marathon for the third straight year and a former world record holder in the women's title for the second consecutive year.
1995 - Evgeny Gretzky reaches 2,500 career points when he sets up a power play goal for the St. Louis Blues against the Los Angeles Kings in Game 2 of the playoffs.
1996 - The New Jersey Devils' Martin Brodeur becomes the second NHL goalie to score in the playoffs. Brodeur's goal is the first in the NHL since Bob Pettit of the St. Louis Hawks scored in the first round of the playoffs in 1957.
1997 - Quarterbacks go 1-2-3 in the NFL Draft as Tim Couch, Donovan McNabb and Akeem Smith go to Cleveland, Tampa Bay and Carolina, respectively. The draft order is set by the first round of the draft.
2003 - The Los Angeles Angels become the 17th major league to hit 500 home runs. The Angels hit their 500th home run as Terry Adams leads the San Francisco Giants over the Los Angeles Dodgers 3-2.
2006 - Matt Kemp sets a new world record in the Boston Marathon for the second consecutive year. Kemp, who was the runner sweep, Cherovist, the 2003 champion in an 800-meter relay, won the marathon at the winning time fellow Kenyan Cosmas Ndeti had in 1994. Jeptoju polus sets a world record in the 800-meter relay with about 2 miles becoming the sixth Kenyan woman to claim the title in seven years.

Golf

World rankings

Through April 13

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| 1. Tiger Woods | USA | 8.87 |
| 2. Rory McIlroy | GBR | 8.22 |
| 3. Henrik Stenson | SWE | 8.12 |
| 4. Bubba Watson | USA | 7.30 |
| 5. Jason Day | AUS | 6.86 |
| 6. Matt Kuchar | USA | 6.42 |
| 7. Adam Scott | AUS | 6.08 |
| 8. Phil Mickelton | AUS | 6.07 |
| 9. Brooks Koepka | USA | 5.92 |
| 10. Ryan McIlroy | GBR | 5.90 |
| 11. Justin Rose | ENG | 5.93 |
| 12. Zach Johnson | USA | 5.67 |
| 13. Dustin Johnson | USA | 5.40 |
| 14. Brooks Koepka | USA | 5.37 |
| 15. Steve Stricker | USA | 5.29 |
| 16. Jason Day | AUS | 5.27 |
| 17. Charl Schwartzel | SAF | 5.24 |
| 18. Keegan Bradley | USA | 4.18 |
| 19. Jimmy Walker | USA | 4.17 |
| 20. Brandt Snedeker | USA | 4.15 |
| 21. Jim Furyk | USA | 4.14 |
| 22. Ian Poulter | ENG | 4.08 |
| 23. Victor Dubuisson | FRA | 4.01 |
| 24. Patrick Reed | USA | 3.90 |
| 25. Thomas Bjorn | DNK | 3.86 |
| 26. Hideki Matsuyama | JPN | 3.84 |
| 27. Webb Simpson | USA | 3.82 |
| 28. Matt Kuchar | USA | 3.80 |
| 29. Luke Donald | ENG | 3.80 |
| 30. Graham DeLaet | CAN | 3.45 |
| 31. Bill Haas | USA | 3.40 |
| 32. Miguel Angel Jimenez | ESP | 3.27 |
| 33. Jason Day | AUS | 3.27 |
| 34. Hunter Mahan | USA | 3.23 |
| 35. Hunter Mahan | USA | 3.23 |
| 36. Lee Westwood | ENG | 3.15 |
| 37. Chris Oosthuizen | SAC | 2.96 |
| 38. Ryan McIlroy | GBR | 2.91 |
| 39. Stephen Gallacher | SCO | 2.91 |
| 40. Harris Blundell | GBR | 2.87 |
| 41. Ernie Els | SAF | 2.67 |
| 42. Matt Kuchar | USA | 2.67 |
| 43. Russell Henley | USA | 2.64 |
| 44. Joost Luiten | NED | 2.42 |
| 45. Adam Long | GBR | 2.42 |
| 46. Sergio Garcia | ESP | 2.37 |
| 47. Kevin Stadler | USA | 2.37 |
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PGA Tour statistics

Through April 13

Scoring Average

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| 1. Sergio Garcia | 68.33 | 68.33 |
| 2. Bubba Watson | 68.33 | 68.33 |
| 3. Rory McIlroy | 69.18 | 69.18 |
| 4. Matt Kuchar | 69.46 | 69.46 |
| 5. Harris English | 69.52 | 69.52 |
| 6. Matt Evers | 69.79 | 69.79 |
| 7. Graeme McDowell | 69.88 | 69.88 |
| 8. Adam Scott | 69.88 | 69.88 |

Driving Distance

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| 1. Bubba Watson | 315.4 | 315.4 |
| 2. Dustin Johnson | 309.1 | 309.1 |
| 3. Scott Piercy | 307.0 | 307.0 |
| 4. Nicolas Pietrangeli | 306.9 | 306.9 |
| 5. Brooks Koepka | 305.7 | 305.7 |
| 6. Justin Hicks | 305.7 | 305.7 |
| 7. J.B. Holmes | 305.7 | 305.7 |
| 8. Robert Garrard | 303.8 | 303.8 |
| 9. Louis Oosthuizen | 303.8 | 303.8 |

Putting Average

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| 1. Fred Funk | 76.58 | 76.58 |
| 2. David Tom | 76.62 | 76.62 |
| 3. Tim Roney | 76.74 | 76.74 |
| 4. Joe Denney | 76.74 | 76.74 |
| 5. Zach Johnson | 76.76 | 76.76 |
| 6. Justin Hicks | 76.76 | 76.76 |
| 7. Matt Kuchar | 76.76 | 76.76 |
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PGA Tour schedule

Oct. 10-13 - Frys.com Open (Jimmy Walker)
Oct. 17-20 - Shriners Hospitals for Children Open (Webb Simpson)
Oct. 22-27 - CIMB Classic (Ryan McIlroy)
Oct. 31-Nov. 3 - World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions (Dustin Johnson)
Nov. 7-10 - McGladrey Classic (Chris Kirk)
Nov. 14-17 - OHL Classic at Mayakoba (Henrik Stenson)
Jan. 17-20 - Hyundai Tournament of Champions (Zach Johnson)
Feb. 27-March 2 - Honda Classic (Jimmy Walker)
Jan. 16-19 - Humana Challenge (Patrick Reed)
Feb. 27-March 2 - Farmers Insurance Open (Scott Stallings)
Jan. 30-Feb. 2 - Waste Management Phoenix Open (Matt Stadler)
Jan. 30-Feb. 2 - AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am (Jimmy Walker)
Feb. 12-16 - Northern Trust Open, Riviera Country Club (Matt Stadler)
Feb. 19-23 - WGC-Accenture Match Play Championship (Adam Scott)
Feb. 19-23 - WGC-Cadillac Championship (Russell Henley)
Feb. 19-23 - WGC-Cadillac Championship (Patrick Reed)
Feb. 19-23 - Puerto Rico Open (Chesson Hadley)
March 13-16 - Valparaiso Championship (Justin Rose)
March 20-23 - Arnold Palmer Invitational (Matt Stadler)
March 27-30 - Valero Texas Open (Steve Stricker)
April 3-6 - Shell Houston Open (Matt Jones)
April 10-13 - The Masters (Bubba Watson)
April 17-20 - RBC Heritage, Harbour Town Golf, Hilton Head Island, S.C.
April 24-27 - Zurich Classic, TPC Louisiana (New Orleans)
May 1-4 - Wells Fargo Championship, Quail Hollow Club, Charlotte, N.C.
May 8-11 - The Players Championship, TPC Sawgrass, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.
May 15-18 - Wells Fargo Championship, TPC Four Seasons Resort, Las Colinas, Texas.
May 22-25 - Crowne Plaza Invitational at Colonial, College Park, Fort Worth, Texas.

Monte Carlo Masters

Tuesday
AT the Monte-Carlo Country Club
CHICAGO WHITE SOX Agreed to terms with RHP Frank Francisco on a minor league contract.
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BOSTON MARATHON

THE BOMBING: ONE YEAR LATER



STEVEN SENNE/AP

Olivia Savarino, center, hugs Christelle Pierre-Louis as Callie Benjamin looks on near the finish line of the Boston Marathon during ceremonies Tuesday afternoon on Boylston Street in Boston. Savarino and Benjamin were working at the Forum restaurant when a bomb went off in front of the building on April 15, 2013.

'We own the finish line'

Anniversary marked with much sorrow, emphasis on city's strength

By DENISE LAVOIE
The Associated Press

Survivors, first responders and relatives of those killed in the Boston Marathon bombing marked the anniversary with tributes that combined sorrow over the loss of innocent victims with pride over the city's resilience in the face of a terror attack.

"This day will always be hard, but this place will always be strong," former Mayor Thomas Menino told an invitation-only audience of about 2,500 people Tuesday at the Hynes Convention Center, not far from the finish line, where two pressure cooker bombs hidden in backpacks killed three people and injured more than 260 others a year ago.

Vice President Joe Biden, who attended the ceremony, said the courage shown by survivors and those who lost loved ones is an inspiration for other Americans dealing with loss and tragedy.

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Man charged with hoax held on high bail

The man arrested near the Boston Marathon finish line carrying a backpack containing a rice cooker on the anniversary of the bombings was sent to a state psychiatric facility for an evaluation Wednesday following his initial court appearance.

Kevin "Kayvon" Edson, 25, was sent to Bridgewater State Hospital and ordered held on \$100,000 bail at an appearance in court on charges of threatening battery, possession of a hoax explosive device, threats to commit a crime, disturbing the peace, disturbing a public assembly and disorderly conduct. His next court date was scheduled for May 7.

Edson's arrest occurred hours after ceremonies to mark last year's Boston Marathon bombings.

Organizers confident of safe race

Organizers and law enforcement officials are urging Boston Marathon spectators to leave backpacks and other bags at home. They also say crowds will be limited at the finish line where two bombs exploded a year ago.

Monday's 26.2-mile race is expected to attract 36,000 runners — about 10,000 more than usual for the event — and about 1 million spectators. Officials said Wednesday that heightened security will include thousands of uniform police and hundreds of plainclothes officers, with about 100 video cameras monitoring the crowds.

Backpacks are not banned outright, but are strongly discouraged and could be searched.

Defense says suspect's family key to case

Lawyers for Boston Marathon bombing suspect Dzhokhar Tsarnaev told a judge that understanding their client's family is key to their case.

Tsarnaev's lawyers shed light on their defense strategy as they argued in court Wednesday that the government shouldn't be allowed to monitor prison visits with his two sisters.

Attorney David Bruck said understanding what happened is mainly "a story of this family and the relationships between people in it."

Tamerlan was killed in a shootout with police. The defense has suggested Dzhokhar was heavily influenced by Tamerlan.

From The Associated Press

BOSTON MARATHON/NBA



ELISE AMENDOLA/AP

Bombing survivor Erika Brannock, a preschool teacher from the Baltimore area, and her mother, Carol Downing, right, walk across the finish line after Tuesday's remembrance ceremony.

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"You have become the face of America's resolve," he said. Biden also praised the 36,000 runners who plan to run the marathon next week, saying they will send a message to terrorists.

"America will never, ever stand down," he said, to loud applause. He added, "We own the finish line."

In Washington, President Barack Obama observed the anniversary of last year's deadly marathon attack with a private moment of silence at the White House.

"Today, we recognize the incredible courage and leadership of so many Bostonians in the wake of unspeakable tragedy," Obama said in a statement. "And we offer our deepest gratitude to the courageous firefighters, police officers, medical professionals, runners and spectators who, in an instant, displayed the spirit Boston was built on — perseverance, freedom and love."

Obama said this year's race, scheduled for April 21, will "show the world the meaning of Boston Strong as a city chooses to run again."

Authorities say two ethnic Chechen brothers who lived in the former Soviet republic of Kyrgyzstan and the Dagestan region of Russia planned and orchestrated the marathon bombings on April 15, 2013.

Tamerlan Tsarnaev, 26, died following a shootout with police days after the bombings. Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, 19, has pleaded not guilty to federal charges and is awaiting a trial in which he faces a possible death sentence. Prosecutors say the brothers also killed MIT police Officer Sean Collier days after the bombings in an attempt to steal his gun.

Prosecutors have said Dzhokhar Tsarnaev left a hand-scrawled confession condemning U.S. actions in Muslim countries on the inside wall of a boat in which he was found hiding following the police shootout.

At the tribute, several survivors of the bombing alluded to their injuries but focused on the strength they've drawn from fellow survivors, first responders, doctors, nurses and strangers who have

offered their support.

"We should never have met this way, but we are so grateful for each other," said Patrick Downes, a newlywed who was injured along with his wife. Each lost a left leg below the knee in the bombings.

Downes described Boston Strong, the slogan coined after the attack, as a movement that symbolizes the city's determination to recover. He called the people who died "our guardian angels."

"We will carry them in our hearts," he said. Downes said the city on April 21 will "show the world what Boston represents." He added, "For our guardian angels, let them hear us roar."

Adrienne Haslet-Davis, a ballroom dancer who lost her left leg below the knee and has recently returned to performing on a prosthetic leg, said she's learned over the last year that no milestone is too small to celebrate, including walking into a non-handicapped bathroom stall for the first time and "doing a happy dance."

Gov. Deval Patrick spoke of how the attack has drawn people closer.

"There are no strangers here," he repeated throughout his speech.

Carlos Arredondo, the cowboy hat-wearing spectator who was hailed as a hero for helping the wounded after the bombings, said he went to the tribute ceremony to support survivors and their families.

"You can see how the whole community gathered together to support them and remember," Arredondo said.

After the tributes, many of those in attendance walked in the rain to the finish line for a moment of silence that coincided with the time when the bombs went off. Bells rang, and a flag was raised by transit agency police Officer Richard Donohue, who was badly injured during a shootout with the bombing suspects.

Earlier in the day, a wreath-laying ceremony drew the families of the three people killed last year — Martin Richard, Krystle Campbell and Lu Lingzi — and Collier's relatives.

Associated Press writer Philip Marcelo contributed to this report.

Scoreboard

Eastern Conference

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|--------------|----|----|------|----|
| z-Indiana | 55 | 26 | .679 | — |
| y-Miami | 47 | 27 | .635 | 1 |
| y-Toronto | 48 | 33 | .593 | 7 |
| y-Chicago | 48 | 32 | .600 | 6 |
| x-Brooklyn | 44 | 37 | .543 | 11 |
| x-Washington | 43 | 39 | .521 | 12 |
| x-Charlotte | 42 | 39 | .519 | 13 |
| x-Atlanta | 37 | 44 | .457 | 18 |

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|--------------|----|----|------|----|
| New York | 36 | 45 | .444 | 18 |
| Cleveland | 32 | 49 | .395 | 23 |
| Detroit | 29 | 52 | .358 | 26 |
| Boston | 28 | 53 | .344 | 27 |
| Orlando | 23 | 58 | .284 | 32 |
| Philadelphia | 18 | 63 | .222 | 37 |
| Milwaukee | 17 | 64 | .213 | 40 |

Western Conference

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-----------------|----|----|------|----|
| z-San Antonio | 51 | 17 | .750 | — |
| y-Oklahoma City | 58 | 23 | .716 | 4 |
| L.A. Clippers | 57 | 24 | .705 | 5 |
| x-Houston | 54 | 27 | .667 | 8 |
| x-Portland | 51 | 29 | .637 | 11 |
| x-Golden State | 50 | 31 | .617 | 12 |
| x-Dallas | 49 | 32 | .605 | 13 |
| x-Memphis | 49 | 32 | .605 | 13 |

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|-------------|----|----|------|----|
| Phoenix | 47 | 34 | .580 | 15 |
| Minnesota | 40 | 41 | .494 | 22 |
| Denver | 42 | 45 | .483 | 25 |
| New Orleans | 33 | 48 | .407 | 29 |
| Sacramento | 28 | 53 | .346 | 34 |
| L.A. Lakers | 18 | 63 | .222 | 36 |
| Utah | 24 | 57 | .296 | 38 |

z-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
x-clinched conference

Tuesday's games
Monday's games
Washington 114, Miami 93
Philadelphia 113, Boston 108
Toronto 110, Milwaukee 100
Houston 95, Atlanta 93
Chicago 108, Orlando 95
x-Portland 104, San Antonio 98
L.A. Lakers 119, Utah 104
Phoenix 87, Phoenix 81
Golden State 130, Minnesota 120
New York 109, Brooklyn 98
L.A. Clippers 117, Denver 105

Wednesday's games
Indiana at Orlando
Cleveland at Charlotte
Utah at Minnesota
Portland at Oklahoma City
Atlanta at Milwaukee
Dallas at Memphis
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio
Houston at New Orleans
Memphis at Boston
Brooklyn at Cleveland
Atlanta at Miami
Toronto at New York
L.A. Clippers at Portland
Phoenix at Sacramento
Golden State at Denver

End regular season

Tuesday

Knicks 109, Nets 98

NEW YORK — Shumpert 4-9 3-4 11, Stoudemire 4-8 9-11, Biatche 2-11 0-0 2, Felton 3-8 0-0 8, Smith 3-8 5-6 14, Hardaway 1-0 1-0 2 2-16, Murray 2-6 4-8 5-13, Tyler 3-5 2-4 8, Prigioni 0-1 0-0 0, Brown 4-6 10-12 2-16, Totals 32-67 34-40 19.

BROOKLYN — Kirilenko 2-6 0-4, Pierce 4-8 4-13, Garnett 0-4 0-0, Williams 4-9 1-1 10, Johnson 3-9 4-7 12, Plumlee 7-9 2-4 2, Gortner 1-0 0-0 2, Totals 31-62 31-42 19.

New York 25 26 28 26-109
Brooklyn 19 25 24 31-98

Clippers 101, Nets 98
Clippers Goal—New York 11-21 (Hardaway Jr. 4-5, Smith 3-7, Murray 2-3, Foye 0-0, Biatche 2-11, Biatche 2-9-17 (Thornton 4-10, Johnson 2-5, Pierce 1-2, Gortner 2-2, Blatche 1-2, Williams 3-4), Fouted Out—None, Rebounds—New York 42 (Aldrich 13), Brooklyn 50 (Plumlee) 9, Assists—New York 20 (Johnson 5), Brooklyn 25 (Plumlee, Gortner, Johnson, Kirilenko, Thornton 4), Totals 101-98 (17, 73).

Clippers 117, Nuggets 105
Clippers — Miller 4-12 6-0 11, Faried 7-12 8-13, Mozgov 6-10 6-7 18, Brooks 6-12 2-4 19, Foye 2-8 11, Biatche 1-2 9, Fournier 3-10 2-2 5, Chandler 3-7 0-0 7, Totals 35-82 37 105.

L.A. CLIPPERS — Barnes 2-5 0-0 5, Griffin 9-17 6-6 24, Jordan 6-8 3-13, Paul 8-10 2-4 19, Redick 9-14 4-8, Collison 9-10 0-0 10, Crawford 3-9 3-9, Davis 3-8 3-9, Turkoglu 2-5 1-4, Foye 2-8 1-0 2, Totals 58-90 30 117.
Denver — Miller 4-12 6-0 11, Faried 7-12 8-13, Mozgov 6-10 6-7 18, Brooks 6-12 2-4 19, Foye 2-8 11, Biatche 1-2 9, Fournier 3-10 2-2 5, Chandler 3-7 0-0 7, Totals 35-82 37 105.
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Calendar

April 19 — Playoffs begin.
May 10 — Draft lottery.
June 26 — Draft early entry withdrawal deadline.

NBA playoff picture

Several seedings still up for grabs

By TIM REYNOLDS
The Associated Press

A look at where things stand in the NBA playoff picture, with one day remaining in the regular season:

East update

How is New York not in the playoffs? Even without Carmelo Anthony, the Knicks beat Brooklyn on Tuesday night — their third double-digit win over the Nets this season.

And that means five seedings will be decided on the season's final night.

Indiana is No. 1, Miami is No. 2 and Atlanta is No. 3. Brooklyn could have wrapped up No. 5 on Tuesday. Toronto controls its destiny for No. 3. Brooklyn can still win to get No. 5 and Washington can ensure it finishes no worse than No. 6 with a victory.

West update

More end-of-season madness awaits. Four seedings are undecided. San Antonio is No. 1, Houston is No. 4, Portland is No. 5 and Golden State is No. 6.

The Clippers could have settled two more seeds if they had lost Tuesday night, but their win over Denver kept them alive in the race with Oklahoma City for No. 2.

Those controlling their fates on the season's final night: Oklahoma City in the race for No. 2, and Dallas and Memphis in the race for No. 7 — which works out nicely, since they play one another.

Wednesday's games

Indiana at Orlando: Pacers could finish 21-20 on Charlotte.

Chicago at Orlando: Bulls would be No. 3 with win and Toronto loss. Wizards would be No. 4 with loss or Toronto win. Charlotte would be No. 6 with a win and a Nets loss; 7th otherwise.

Washington at Boston: Wizards would be No. 5 with a win and a Nets loss; No. 6 with a win and Nets win; No. 7 with a loss and a Charlotte win.

Houston at New Orleans: No playoff relevance. Red: Lots of backups.
Brooklyn at Cleveland: Nets would

NBA roundup

Clippers notch 57th victory

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Blake Griffin scored 24 points while picking up his 16th technical, and the Los Angeles Clippers led all the way in beating the Denver Nuggets 117-105 on Tuesday night for their franchise-record 57th victory of the season.

Chris Paul had 21 points and 10 assists, and J.J. Redick added 18 points in the Clippers' finale at

be No. 5 with win, though they don't seem overly concerned.

Philadelphia at Miami: LeBron James, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh all expected to rest for Miami.

Atlanta at Milwaukee: This year's No. 8 seeded last year's No. 8 seed.

Utah at Minnesota: Could it be Rick Adelman's finale?

Toronto at New York: Raptors will be No. 3 with a win or a Bulls loss. If neither happens, they're No. 4.

L.A. Lakers at San Antonio: The Lakers' season, mercifully, comes to an end.

Detroit at Oklahoma City: Thunder finally wrap up No. 2 with win; otherwise, door opens for Clippers.

Dallas at Memphis: Game of the night. Winner gets No. 7 in West. Loser goes to San Antonio for Game 1.

Golden State at Denver: Warriors locked into No. 6.

L.A. Clippers at Portland: Will Blake Griffin play? Got his 16th technical of season Tuesday, so if it's not rescinded, he serves one-game league-mandated suspension.

Phoenix at Sacramento: Suns could become first team since 2008 Warriors to win 48 and miss playoffs.

Current bracket

First-round matchups if the season ended Tuesday...

East: Indiana-Atlanta, Miami-Charlotte, Toronto-Washington, Chicago-Brooklyn.

West: San Antonio-Memphis, Oklahoma City-Dallas, L.A. Clippers-Golden State, Houston-Portland.

Note of the day

Barring some historically low-scoring games on the final night, this NBA season will see more total points than ever before. The current mark is 247,100 set in 2009-10; this season's pace is at around 248,000 points to be scored.

Quote of the day

"Tonight was an example of how not to take a step forward." — Brooklyn's Paul Pierce after the loss to the Knicks.

home, where they went 34-7 for another franchise mark. DeAndre Jordan had 13 points and 16 rebounds.

Knicks 109, Nets 98: Tim Hardaway Jr. scored 16 points and host New York, playing without the injured Carmelo Anthony, beat Brooklyn to win the season series between city rivals.

Amare Stoudemire and J.R. Smith each added 14 points for New York.

HIGH SCHOOL



Home Team

Your guide to this weekend's high school sports

On their marks

DODDS-Europe track and field adjusts to later start

By GREGORY BROOME
Stars and Stripes

With winter weather at its heels and spring break veering into its lane, the DODDS-Europe track and field season has always been unorthodox.

Whether this year's season is more or less unorthodox is a matter of perspective.

On Saturday, about a month after fellow spring sports soccer, baseball and softball started, the athletes of DODDS-Europe track and field open their regular-season schedule. The opening-weekend slate finds 22 schools in action across four sites, namely Brussels, Vicenza, Vilseck and Wiesbaden.

In years past, DODDS-Europe's track schedule had the regular season begin before spring break. That led to athletes spending the early spring preparing for the season, competing in a meet, then shifting back into preparation mode for two more weekends.

This season will be different. Track, like nearly every other DODDS-Europe sport, has seen its schedule streamlined. The regular season has been pared from six meets to five, which will play out over the next five consecutive weekends, an uninterrupted straightaway to the European championship meet set for May 23-24 at Kaiserslautern.

Coaches are largely in favor of the change.

"We used the first meet in years past as a glorified time trial," Wiesbaden coach Larry Chavez said.

Vilseck coach Eric Mead said he's a fan of the new schedule, explaining that "often the weather was not cooperative for a track and field meet" in late March.

Ramstein coach William Buckley likes the change for another reason.

"We have had more time to work on the technical side of running with the long practice season before we actually compete," Buckley said. "The biggest thing it did for us is prevent injuries, because we were able to train more evenly than in past years."

Aviano coach Meghan Sindelar, meanwhile, said the delayed start to the season has her athletes "motivated and excited to get started," adding that the lack of a regular-season intermission will allow her to "see vast improvements week-to-week."

But not every team was willing to wait. Bitburg, for example, hosted AFNORTH and Baumholder in a pre-season meet in late March, the same weekend the regular season might have started under the former scheduling arrangement.

"A month and a half would have been too long to wait for a meet," Barons coach Brian Bent said.

While most DODDS-Europe coaches are either enjoying or working around the new schedule, others are confronting their own unique challenges. AFNORTH coach D.C. McDonald pointed out that his school's spring break runs from April 14 through April 25, overlapping with the first two weeks of the track regular



Dononique Lamons of Bamberg won the discus event at the 2013 DODDS-Europe track and field championships with a throw of 109 feet, 8 inches. She will be returning for the Barons when the 2014 season gets started this weekend.

season.

"That puts us at a huge disadvantage, because most of my kids will be gone on vacation," McDonald said, adding that he'll likely have to "start over with training" once his charges are back on the track from their long respite.

Regardless of when or in what condition they'll arrive at the starting line, DODDS-Europe's track athletes are all pointed toward one goal: a European championship.

At the team level, Division I is a crowded mix of contenders looking to unseat boys champion Wiesbaden and girls champion

The Warriors are a candidate to keep their boys crown and vie for the girls title, too. Chavez returns more than 50 varsity athletes between the two teams, including Anthony Little, dubbed the fastest man in DODDS-Europe after sweeping the 100- and 200-meter sprints at last year's championships.

Ramstein could also make a run at a double team title after the Royal girls finished second and the boys finished third last year. Returning speedsters Gregory Desulme and D'Miya Thornton rank among the program's best shots at individual and/or team titles.

Kaiserslautern and Vilseck are also in range to contend.

The smaller-school picture is



PHOTOS BY MICHAEL ABRAMS/Stars and Stripes

Wiesbaden's Anthony Little won the 200-meter race at last year's DODDS-Europe championships in 22.62 seconds. Little also won the 100-meter race in 10.92 seconds, and will attempt to defend his titles this season.

less straightforward.

Both of last year's Division III champions, the Alconbury girls and Baumholder boys, have moved up to Division II, making that already-crowded leaderboard all the more competitive. The reigning champion Bitburg boys and Ansbach girls will seek to defend their turf.

The promotion of Alconbury, Baumholder and Rota to Division II leaves the Division III ranks slither than ever: Bamberg, Brussels, Menwith Hill and Schweinfurt are the only three Division III schools fielding teams; if all four programs manage to qualify athletes for the European

tournament, DODDS-Europe athletic director Karen Seadore said, then a Division III team champion will be crowned.

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DODDS-Europe track and field at a glance

Division I

Boys teams to watch: Defending champion Wiesbaden remains loaded with across-the-board talent and will be hard to unseat; runner-up Kaiserslautern and Wiesbaden boast athletes across the board.

Boys athletes to watch: Anthony Little, Wiesbaden (European champion, 100m and 200m); Gregory Desulme, Ramstein (runner-up, 100m and 200m); Armando Saldaña, Vilseck (European champion, 400m); Reynold Lewis, Wiesbaden (runner-up, 110 hurdles).

Girls athletes to watch: Bianca Walker, Wiesbaden (European champion, 400m); Julia Lockridge, Patch (European champion, 100m and 200m); Samantha (runner-up, 100m); D'Miya Thornton and Samantha Carbon, Ramstein (members of European champion 400m relay team).

Division II/III

Boys teams to watch: Defending champion Bitburg lacks experience but remains the team to beat in Division II; Aviano leads the contingent of Italian contenders; Baumholder won last year's Division III title and will try its luck at the higher level; Schweinfurt finished second in Division II and will look for a memorable finish before the school closes.

Girls teams to watch: Alconbury posted the highest score outside of Division I in winning last year's Division III title, and as such is a contender for the Division II crown; reigning Division II champion Ansbach will have something to say about that; Bitburg and Naples are contenders to keep an eye on.

Boys athletes to watch: Julian Byles, Hohenfels (third place, discus); DJ Bascombe, Schweinfurt (incoming transfer, 100m); Connor Brown, AFNORTH (incoming transfer, 800m, 1600m, 3200m).

Girls athletes to watch: Mavola Bazen, Ansbach (European champion, 300 hurdles); Donique Lamons, Bamberg (European champion, discus and runner-up, shot put); Ellie Prewitt, Aviano (incoming freshman, 100m, 200m, high jump).

NHL PLAYOFFS

Playoff-tested Seguin ready to lead Stars

Former Bruin motivated by painful loss as Dallas begins postseason

By MIKE HEIKA

The Dallas Morning News

By the numbers

84

Number of points Tyler Seguin tallied in his first season in Dallas, fourth in the NHL in scoring.

37

Number of goals Seguin scored this season, the most by a Stars player since Brett Hull scored 39 in 2000-01.

42

Number of playoff games in which Seguin has played, all with Boston. He also won a Stanley Cup with the Bruins in 2011.

SOURCE: The Associated Press

The Stanley Cup finals seem so far away to Tyler Seguin, and yet, they seem like yesterday.

As a member of the Boston Bruins in 2013, Seguin was part of one of the most thrilling finishes in Cup history — he was just on the wrong side of the finish.

With Boston leading 2-1 in Game 6 and the clock winding down, a Game 7 looked inevitable. However, Chicago pulled its goalie and tied the score with 76 seconds remaining. The Blackhawks scored again 17 seconds later and ended the Bruins' season in a heartbeat.

"That still motivates me," Seguin said. "You don't forget stuff like that."

As much as Seguin is a new player and a new person this season, he still carries his three years in Boston with him. Despite just turning 22, he is one of the Stars' most experienced playoff players with a Stanley Cup and 42 postseason games under his belt.

That's an impressive résumé for a young player.

"With Tyler, we're very fortunate to get him when he has been in the league for a little while," said Stars general manager Jim Nill, who made the trade for Seguin in July.

"You have a player who was taken second overall and if we had drafted him in the summer, we would have been ecstatic to have him. But now you have a player who was drafted second overall and has gone through all of the growing pains, and now you have a player who is ready to step forward."

Seguin is ready to step forward. The native of Brampton, Ontario, tallied 84 points in his first season with the Stars, finishing fourth in the NHL in scoring. No other Stars player has finished in the top five since the team moved to Dallas in 1993.



LOUIS DeLUCA, DALLAS MORNING NEWS/MCT

Dallas. Tyler Seguin, center, skates past Nashville's Mike Fisher, left, during a game on March 28 in Dallas. Seguin, 22, was acquired in a trade with Boston before the season.

Seguin, drafted in 2010, definitely has talent. He helped win the Stanley Cup in 2011, playing in 13 games, and then carved a big niche in 2011-12, scoring 29 goals among 67 points. In the lockout-shortened 2012-13 season, Seguin had 32 points in 48 games but could muster only one goal in 22 playoff games.

That started reports that Seguin didn't take the game seriously or was out partying with friends after games. With Boston management needing to trim payroll to get under the new salary cap, and Seguin due a raise to \$5.75 million a season, the young center was pushed into the middle of the trade block. Nill jumped at the

chance, sending Loui Eriksson and Reilly Smith as the key components to Boston for Seguin, and the deal was done on July 4.

The timing might have been serendipitous for Seguin. Just as the reports of his bad behavior were increasing, he was given a chance to start anew.

"I wanted to prove a lot of people wrong, and I tried to do that with actions and not words," he said.

Seguin played on the second and third lines in Boston and also played out of position as a wing. In Dallas, he is the No. 1 center and at the head of the team's offensive attack.

"I've matured my game, I've

been given a different opportunity, I'm looked at differently here, so yeah, I guess I would say I am a different player," Seguin said.

"It's definitely something I've wanted, so it's nice to be able to make it happen. Your confidence builds over time, and when you go out and do it, it really does allow you to think about what your potential is and how far you can go."

Seguin has dreamed of big scoring seasons and being at the center of a great team, so he understands the responsibility of the moment. In fact, he might be looking as forward to these playoffs as he has to any of the previous three.

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NHL

Gaborik adds new dimension

Defense-minded Kings get scoring punch

By GREG BEACHAM
The Associated Press

EL SEGUNDO, Calif.

Marian Gaborik's teammates with the Los Angeles Kings initially wondered whether such a talented scorer could fit into a defense-minded team when he came in a trade last month.

Nobody is wondering anymore after Gaborik helped the Kings reach the NHL playoffs on a roll. "It took me a little bit, but I think I adjusted pretty good," Gaborik said Tuesday while the Kings prepared for their first-round opener against San Jose.

Gaborik scored 16 points in 19 games as the Kings' top-line left wing, adapting his game to coach Darryl Sutter's preferences while still providing his own unique offensive talents to the NHL's best defensive team. He fits in well in his third dressing room in two seasons, with teammates praising the Slovak's commitment and talent with equal enthusiasm.

"He's been our best player since he's got here," defenseman Drew Doughty said. "No matter who gets traded here, you wonder how they're going to fit into the system. (But) he played in Minnesota. He knew how to play that system back in the day. He's obviously amazing offensively, but he is good defensively. He tries his best and that's all you can ask."

Although Los Angeles has reached back-to-back conference finals, offense is seemingly always a concern. The Kings are the lowest-scoring team in the NHL postseason with just 198 regular-season goals, but Gaborik's arrival has assuaged many fears about their ability to score enough goals to win in the spring.

Gaborik's impressive speed changed opponents' defensive game plans after his arrival from Columbus. He finally became the goal-scoring left wing the Kings have long lacked to play alongside Anze Kopitar, Los Angeles' sublime playmaker and two-way center.

Gaborik sees nothing special in his handling of what would have been a rough assignment in Los Angeles. Playing for Sutter didn't scare Gaborik after his experience under coaches with similar defensive demands such as Jacques Lemaire in Minnesota and John Tortorella in New York.

"Just go out there, work hard and follow the system," Gaborik said. "Make sure you're on the right side of the puck, and be in the right position when you're skating. Be on top of things."

While still near the prime of his career, the 32-year-old Gaborik is an impending free agent with a history of injury woes, so he realizes the urgency of every remaining chance at a Stanley Cup title. He has reached two conference finals in his NHL career, but never played for the Stanley Cup.

"You get that feeling that you're getting close, but it's really hard," Gaborik said. "I'm really going to embrace this opportunity and take it, and I'm very excited for that. It doesn't come every year, and we feel we have a good team to do it."

"He's obviously amazing offensively, but he is good defensively. He tries his best and that's all you can ask."

Drew Doughty
Los Angeles defenseman

Los Angeles Kings right wing Marian Gaborik celebrates a goal on March 25.

CHUCK MYERS/MCT



Panthers jump Sabres for No. 1 pick in draft

By JOHN WAWROW
The Associated Press

TORONTO — NHL Draft lottery losers last year, the Florida Panthers had their number come up this year. In the meantime, chalk up yet another loss for the Buffalo Sabres.

The Panthers bucked the odds Tuesday by jumping a spot and earned the right to the top pick in June. Florida, which finished 29th in the league, vaulted ahead of the last-place Sabres, who had the best odds of winning the lottery.

"It means a lot to us. We've very excited," said Travis Viola, Panthers president of hockey operations. "We're looking to continue to build on our core talent of young players. It's just a great opportunity."

The top two projected prospects are left wing Samuel Bennett, of OHL Kingston, who finished first in the final rankings released by NHL Central Scouting last week, and OHL Barrie defenseman

Aaron Ekblad. The draft is June 27-28 in Philadelphia.

The Panthers (29-45-8) had an 18.8 percent chance of winning the lottery, behind only Buffalo (21-51-10), which had a 25 percent shot. The Sabres continued what's been a losing trend since the season began in October.

Buffalo's 51 losses were a franchise worst, and the most losses in the NHL since the New York Islanders went 21-51-7-3 in 2000-01. The Sabres were guaranteed falling no further than second.

The remaining 11 teams maintained their draft order based on the final standings, starting with the Edmonton Oilers, trying with the No. 3 draft pick. Calgary will select fourth, followed by the New York Islanders.

The top 10 picks are rounded out by Vancouver picking fifth, followed by Carolina, Toronto, Winnipeg and Anaheim. The Pacific Division champion Ducks earned a lottery spot by acquiring a first-round pick in a trade with Ottawa.

Draft lottery results

1. Florida Panthers
2. Buffalo Sabres
3. Edmonton Oilers
4. Calgary Flames
5. New York Islanders*
6. Vancouver Canucks
7. Carolina Hurricanes
8. Toronto Maple Leafs
9. Winnipeg Jets
10. Anaheim Ducks**
11. Nashville Predators
12. Phoenix Coyotes
13. Washington Capitals
30. New Jersey Devils***

* — The New York Islanders must surrender either their 2014 or 2015 first-round draft pick to the Buffalo Sabres as part of the trade that sent Thomas Vanek to New York. The Islanders decide which pick to surrender prior to the 2014 NHL Draft.

** — The Senators' first-round pick is property of the Anaheim Ducks, who acquired it in a trade for Bobby Ryan to Ottawa.

*** — The New Jersey Devils will receive the 30th overall pick regardless of their final standing as penalty for cap circumvention in signing Ilya Kovalchuk. They are ineligible to receive the first overall pick via the Draft Lottery.

More former players sue league over concussions

By JON KRAWCZYNSKI
The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Another group of former NHL players has joined the fight for compensation for head injuries it says its group members incurred while playing, while at the same time targeting the violence of the game that it believes brought about those injuries.

Retired players Dave Christian, Reed Larson and William Bennett filed a class action lawsuit in federal court on Tuesday alleging that the league has promoted fighting and downplayed the risk of head injuries that come from it.

"I think the glorified violence is really the Achilles heel for the NHL," said Charles "Bucky" Zimmerman, an attorney at Zimmerman Reed that filed the lawsuit on behalf of the players. "If anything comes of this, the focus on the glorified violence and perhaps the change to that will be a good thing."

The lawsuit, which is similar to one brought by former football players against the NFL, joins others filed by hockey players in Washington and New York and seeks monetary damages and increased medical monitoring.

"As we have indicated earlier, another lawsuit of this type is not unexpected," NHL Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly said in an email to The Associated Press. "It's the nature of these types of cases that once one is filed, a number of similarly styled cases follow. Nothing changes our belief that all of these cases are without merit and they will be defended accordingly."

Zimmerman also worked on the football litigation, which resulted in the NFL agreeing to pay a \$765 million settlement to thousands of former players. That settlement is still awaiting a judge's approval, but the headlines it generated have been partially responsible for hockey players mounting their own case against the NHL.

MLB SCOREBOARD

American League

Table with columns: Team, East Division, W, L, Pct, GB. Lists Toronto, New York, Tampa Bay, Boston, Detroit, Chicago, Cleveland, Minnesota, Kansas City.

National League

Table with columns: Team, East Division, W, L, Pct, GB. Lists Atlanta, Washington, New York, Philadelphia, Miami, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago.

Monday's games

Baltimore 7, Tampa Bay 1
San Antonio, Texas
Oakland 3, L.A. Angels 2
Atlanta 9, Philadelphia 6
Washington 9, Miami 2

Tuesday, April 22

Royals 4, Astros 2
Kansas City
Aoki rf 4 1 1 0
Fowler cf 4 1 1 0
Preston rf 3 0 0 0
Hofmann 3 0 0 0
Butler dh 3 0 0 1
Altuve 2b 3 0 0 0
Gonzalez 3b 3 0 0 0
Sperce c 4 0 0 0
Mormann 3b 4 0 0 0
Lincecum 1b 4 0 0 0
L Cain cf 4 1 0 0
Copp 2b 3 1 1 0
Escobar ss 4 0 0 0
Villaraz 2b 4 0 0 0
Kansas City
Lugo 102 100 0-0-0
Lugo 100 0 0 0 0
E-Ventura (1), Grossman (1), LOB-Kansas City 6, Houston 2B-Hosmer (4), A-Perez (1), Cain (2), Fowler (2), HR-Hofmann (1), Corpán (2), SF-B-Butler.

Wednesday's games

Tampa Bay at St. Louis
Chicago Cubs at New York, Pktd., rain
Tampa Bay at Baltimore, Pktd., rain
Atlanta at Philadelphia, Pktd., rain
Cleveland at Detroit, Pktd., rain
Texas 5, Seattle 0
Chicago White Sox 2, Boston 1
Kansas City 4, Houston 2
Cincinnati 3, Minnesota 7
Oakland 10, L.A. Angels 9, 11 innings
San Francisco 5, L.A. Dodgers 7, completion of suspended game
Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 5
Washington 11, Washington 2
St. Louis 6, Milwaukee 1
Colorado 3, San Diego 2
San Francisco 5, L.A. Dodgers 2, 12 innings
Wednesday's games
Tampa Bay at St. Louis
Chicago Cubs at New York, Yankees, 2
Cleveland at Detroit
Seattle at Texas
Washington at Chicago White Sox
Kansas City at Houston
Toronto at Minnesota
Oakland at L.A. Angels
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati
St. Louis at Milwaukee
N.Y. Mets at Arizona
Atlanta at Philadelphia
Washington at Miami
Colorado at San Diego
Boston at San Francisco
Thursday's games
Cleveland at San Francisco
Detroit (Verlander 1)
Toronto (McGowan 1-1) at Detroit (Gibson 2-0)
Seattle (E-Ramirez 1-2) at Texas (Sabathia 1-2)
N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 1-2) at Tampa Bay
Boston (Lester 1-2) at Chicago White Sox
Kansas City (Ben-chen 1-0) at Houston (Feldman 2-0)
Seattle (A-Wood 2-1) at Philadelphia (Burnett 0-1)
Los Angeles (Ryu 2-1) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 2-0)
Atlanta (Morgan 1-0) at San Francisco (Kennedy 1-2)
Milwaukee (Gallardo 2-0) at Pittsburgh
St. Louis (Wainwright 2-1) at Washington (Jordan 0-1)

Royals 4, Astros 2

San Francisco
D'Orton 2b 3 0 0
Papan cf 5 1 1 0
Juttn rf 2b 3 0 0
Crawford 1b 3 0 0
Howell p 0 0 0
Perez p 0 0 0
Vashy ph 0 0 0
Jansen p 0 0 0
Arías ph 1 0 1 0
Figgins ph 1 0 0
Pence rf 6 1 3 0
Adrian 1b 5 0 1
Lincecum 1b 5 0 1
Pujols rf 5 0 2
Crawford cf 1 0 0
Urbina p 0 0 0
Ferdwe c 4 0 0
Wright p 0 0 0
Withrow p 0 0 0
Kemp ph cf 2 0 2
San Francisco
Lincecum 5 2 0 0 0 0 5 4
Without BS-1-1 1 0 0 0 1 1
Howell H4 1 0 1 0 0 1 1
Crawford H-4 1 0 1 0 0 1 1
Jansen BS-2-6 1 0 2 0 1 1 2
Urbina H-1 1 0 2 1 1 0
League L-0 2 2 1 1 0 0
San Francisco
Lincecum 5 2 0 0 0 0 5 4
Mach p 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0
Huff c 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0
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Reds 7, Pirates 5

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Marlins 11, Nationals 2

Washington
Rendon 3b 3 0 1
Roussin p 0 0 0
Laroch 1b 3 0 0
Walters ss 2 1 1
McClint 3b 2 0 0
Mooch cf 3 0 0
Stroman p 1 0 0
Tim Lincecum p 1 0 0
Moore ph 1 0 0
Blevins p 0 0 0
Strickland p 0 0 0
Fridin ph 2 0 0

Blue Jays, Twins 3

Toronto
McCarr 4f 0 1 0
Kawik 2b 2 1 0
Theis ph 2 0 0
Encrnc 1b 4 2 1
Navarc c 4 2 1
Lawrie 1b 4 1 5
Toronto
E-Encarnacion (1), Suzuki (1), DP-Toronto 1, Minnesota (2), HR-Toronto 3, HR-Minnesota 1, 2B-Kawasaki (1), BAUC-Germ p (1), LOB-Toronto 9, HR-Lawrie (3), Plouffe (1), SB-A-Hughes (2), S-Flornorn, SF-Lawrie.

Rangers 5, Mariners 0

Seattle
Almont cf 4 0 1
Cano 2b 4 0 1
Morter rf 3 0 1
Romer c 3 0 0
Adriens pr dh 0 0 0
Nicks p 3 0 0
Seager 3b 4 0 0
Blingsht rf 4 0 0
Zumino 4b 0 0 0
Seattle
Totals 34 0 7 0
Texas
Choo if 4 0 1 0
Andrus 2b 4 0 1 0
Rios rf 4 0 1 0
Morrison 3b 4 0 1 0
Carmichael 2b 4 0 1 0
Lamarctn c 2 0 0 0
Chirris c 3 0 1 0
Totals 31 5 11 5

Mets 9, Diamondbacks 0

New York
EYong if 5 2 3
DMrnp 2b 5 2 2
Duda 1b 4 0 1
Gibbs 2b 4 0 1
Nivarts 5 1 3
Djarns c 2 1 0
Molina p 3 0 0
Germ p 3 0 0
Fmvs p 0 0 0
Arizona
Prado 3b 4 0 0
Monte 4 0 0
Monte 4 0 0
Trumbo 3b 4 0 0
Dwings ss 2 1 0
Arroyo p 1 0 0
Delgado p 1 0 0
Echav ph 1 0 0
Perez p 1 0 0
Camp ph 1 0 0
A-Rod p 2 0 0
Totals 39 9 12 30

Marlins 11, Nationals 2

Washington
Rendon 3b 3 0 1
Roussin p 0 0 0
Laroch 1b 3 0 0
Walters ss 2 1 1
McClint 3b 2 0 0
Mooch cf 3 0 0
Stroman p 1 0 0
Tim Lincecum p 1 0 0
Moore ph 1 0 0
Blevins p 0 0 0
Strickland p 0 0 0
Fridin ph 2 0 0

DP-Seattle 1, LOB-Seattle 9, Texas 5

DP-Arund (3), Kouzmanoff 2 (3), HR-Felder (1), Kouzmanoff (1), CS-Arund (2), Rios (2), 2-1.

White Sox 2, Red Sox 1

Boston
GSmr if 4 0 0
Napoli 1b 4 0 0
JGems ph 2b 4 0 0
Nava rf 3 1 1
Prznc 2b 3 0 0
Rofors 3b 3 0 0
Caru ph 1b 1 0 0
Boston
Totals 30 1 3 1

Blue Jays, Twins 3

Toronto
McCarr 4f 0 1 0
Kawik 2b 2 1 0
Theis ph 2 0 0
Encrnc 1b 4 2 1
Navarc c 4 2 1
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Rangers 5, Mariners 0

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Almont cf 4 0 1
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Trumbo 3b 4 0 0
Dwings ss 2 1 0
Arroyo p 1 0 0
Delgado p 1 0 0
Echav ph 1 0 0
Perez p 1 0 0
Camp ph 1 0 0
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Totals 39 9 12 30

Marlins 11, Nationals 2

Washington
Rendon 3b 3 0 1
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Laroch 1b 3 0 0
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Marlins 11, Nationals 2

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Rendon 3b 3 0 1
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Tim Lincecum p 1 0 0
Moore ph 1 0 0
Blevins p 0 0 0
Strickland p 0 0 0
Fridin ph 2 0 0

Blue Jays, Twins 3

Toronto
McCarr 4f 0 1 0
Kawik 2b 2 1 0
Theis ph 2 0 0
Encrnc 1b 4 2 1
Navarc c 4 2 1
Lawrie 1b 4 1 5
Toronto
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Rangers 5, Mariners 0

Seattle
Almont cf 4 0 1
Cano 2b 4 0 1
Morter rf 3 0 1
Romer c 3 0 0
Adriens pr dh 0 0 0
Nicks p 3 0 0
Seager 3b 4 0 0
Blingsht rf 4 0 0
Zumino 4b 0 0 0
Seattle
Totals 34 0 7 0
Texas
Choo if 4 0 1
Andrus 2b 4 0 1
Rios rf 4 0 1
Morrison 3b 4 0 1
Carmichael 2b 4 0 1
Lamarctn c 2 0 0
Chirris c 3 0 1
Totals 31 5 11 5

Mets 9, Diamondbacks 0

New York
EYong if 5 2 3
DMrnp 2b 5 2 2
Duda 1b 4 0 1
Gibbs 2b 4 0 1
Nivarts 5 1 3
Djarns c 2 1 0
Molina p 3 0 0
Germ p 3 0 0
Fmvs p 0 0 0
Arizona
Prado 3b 4 0 0
Monte 4 0 0
Monte 4 0 0
Trumbo 3b 4 0 0
Dwings ss 2 1 0
Arroyo p 1 0 0
Delgado p 1 0 0
Echav ph 1 0 0
Perez p 1 0 0
Camp ph 1 0 0
A-Rod p 2 0 0
Totals 39 9 12 30

Marlins 11, Nationals 2

Washington
Rendon 3b 3 0 1
Roussin p 0 0 0
Laroch 1b 3 0 0
Walters ss 2 1 1
McClint 3b 2 0 0
Mooch cf 3 0 0
Stroman p 1 0 0
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Moore ph 1 0 0
Blevins p 0 0 0
Strickland p 0 0 0
Fridin ph 2 0 0

Blue Jays, Twins 3

Toronto
McCarr 4f 0 1 0
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Rangers 5, Mariners 0

Seattle
Almont cf 4 0 1
Cano 2b 4 0 1
Morter rf 3 0 1
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Reds 7, Pirates 5

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Laroch 1b 3 0 0
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Moore ph 1 0 0
Blevins p 0 0 0
Strickland p 0 0 0
Fridin ph 2 0 0

Blue Jays, Twins 3

Toronto
McCarr 4f 0 1 0
Kawik 2b 2 1 0
Theis ph 2 0 0
Encrnc 1b 4 2 1
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Rangers 5, Mariners 0

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Cano 2b 4 0 1
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Delgado p 1 0 0
Echav ph 1 0 0
Perez p 1 0 0
Camp ph 1 0 0
A-Rod p 2 0 0
Totals 39 9 12 30

Marlins 11, Nationals 2

Washington
Rendon 3b 3 0 1
Roussin p 0 0 0
Laroch 1b 3 0 0
Walters ss 2 1 1
McClint 3b 2 0 0
Mooch cf 3 0 0
Stroman p 1 0 0
Tim Lincecum p 1 0 0
Moore ph 1 0 0
Blevins p 0 0 0
Strickland p 0 0 0
Fridin ph 2 0 0

MLB

AL roundup

Donaldson lifts A's to win over Angels

The Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Josh Donaldson drove in Jed Lowrie with an 11th-inning double as the Oakland Athletics overcame Mike Trout's game-leveling homer in the ninth to beat the Los Angeles Angels 10-9 in 11 innings Tuesday night.

Lowrie led off the 11th with a single against Yoslan Herrera (0-1), the Angels' seventh pitcher. Donaldson hit a sharp grounder inside third base for the AL-leading A's, who have won four straight and eight of nine.

Jim Johnson (2-2) pitched two innings for Oakland, getting Howie Kendrick on a groundout with Trout and Albert Pujols in scoring position to end it.

Trout hit a two-run shot in the ninth for the Angels, who have lost three of four.

Both teams erased late three-run deficits during two dismal bullpen performances. The Angels trailed 9-6 in the eighth after leading 6-3 heading to the seventh.

Rangers 5, Mariners 0: Prince Fielder and Kevin Kouzmanoff hit back-to-back homers as Robbie Ross limited Seattle to five singles in seven-plus innings in host Texas' shutout victory.

Fielder ended a 13-game homerless streak to start the season, hitting a line drive to right-center off former Texas first-round pick Blake Beavan (0-1) leading off the second inning. Two pitches later, Kouzmanoff went deep to left.

Kouzmanoff also had two doubles, the second one driving in two runs to put the Rangers up 4-0 in the eighth.

Ross (1-0) got his first win as a starter as the Rangers got their third straight win by shutout and fourth in seven victories overall.



Jaé C. Hong/AP

The Oakland Athletics' Josh Donaldson hits an RBI-double in the 11th inning of Tuesday's game against the Los Angeles Angels in Anaheim, Calif. Oakland won 10-9 for their ninth win in the past 11 games.

White Sox 2, Red Sox 1: Alexei Ramirez scored the winning run in the ninth inning on a two-out throwing error by Xander Bogaerts as host Chicago edged Boston on a 40-degree night.

With the score tied at 1, Red Sox reliever Burke Badenhop (0-2) allowed a one-out single to Ramirez. After Tyler Flowers struck out, Chris Caputo walked Adam Eaton. On a 3-2 count, Marcus Semien hit a grounder to Bogaerts, who one-hopped his throw to first baseman Mike Carp.

Carp wasn't able to scoop the throw and Ramirez, already running on the pitch, never stopped while rounding third and scored without a throw.

Royals 4, Astros 2: Yorlano Ventura threw seven strong innings for his first major league win to lead visiting Kansas City over Houston.

Omar Infante homered and drove in two runs for the Royals.

Ventura (1-0), an elite prospect with a 100 mph fastball, allowed four hits and one earned run with seven strikeouts in his fifth major league start.

Blue Jays 9, Twins 3: Jose Bautista had three hits and an RBI, and Brett Lawrie hit a grand slam in the ninth inning to help visiting Toronto beat Minnesota.

Edwin Encarnacion had two hits and an RBI, and Aaron Loup (1-0) won in relief of starter Brandon Morrow, who lasted 3½ innings on a 35-degree night. The Blue Jays led 5-2 in the ninth before Lawrie's drive off Jared Burton put it away.

Chris Colabello had three hits and Trevor Plouffe honored for the Twins, who had won three straight. Phil Hughes (0-1) watched an impressive start go to waste in Toronto's five-run sixth.



Al Behrman/AP

The Cincinnati Reds' Billy Hamilton is tagged out by Pittsburgh Pirates second baseman Neil Walker while trying to steal second in the eighth inning of Tuesday's game in Cincinnati. The Reds won 7-5.

NL roundup

Reds rally to split with Bucs

Teams combine for 10 HRs in first game as Pittsburgh wins opener

The Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Mike Leake doubled and hit a two-run homer Tuesday to end Gerrit Cole's winning streak and lead the Cincinnati Reds to a 7-5 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates that completed two days of homers and delays.

First, the NL Central rivals completed a game that was suspended in the sixth inning because of rain the previous night. Andrew McCutchen doubled and came around on Russell Martin's single in the seventh inning, giving the Pirates an 8-7 victory.

Leake (2-1) gave up three runs and five hits in 6½ innings for a split. The right-hander has won his last four starts against the Pirates. Jonathan Broxton pitched out of a two-on threat in the ninth, converting his first save chance.

Leake, who has the most hits by a major league pitcher since 2010, doubled and scored in the third. He hit his third career homer in the sixth off Cole (2-1), who had won his previous six starts.

Todd Frazier hit his second homer in two games and Joey Votto had four hits.

Neil Walker hit three of Pittsburgh's seven homers in the two games.

The teams wore their customary uniforms for the completion of the suspended game, then switched to commemorative No. 42 Jackie Robinson jerseys for the later game, which started 5 minutes later than scheduled.

The teams put on a record-setting show Monday before the game was suspended after six innings tied at 7. They combined for 10 homers in those six innings, the most for a game in Great American Ball Park's 12 seasons.

When play resumed, McCutchen doubled off Sam LeCure (0-1).

Bryan Morris (2-0) gave up Mesoraco's tying solo homer in the sixth inning Monday night, but was still the pitcher of record. Jason Grilli pitched the ninth for his fourth save in five chances.

Marlins 11, Nationals 2: Giancarlo Stanton tied a career high with five RBIs, including a three-run homer off Stephen Strasburg as host Miami broke an eight-game losing streak by beating Washington.

Strasburg (1-2) allowed six runs and eight hits in four innings. He fell to 2-3 at Marlins Park with an ERA of 8.61.

Tom Koehler (2-1) yielded one hit and five walks in seven scoreless innings to lower his ERA to 1.89. The performance was a welcome change for a team that had an ERA of 6.12 during the losing streak. The benches and bullpens cleared in the fourth

when the Nats' Ian Desmond and Marlins catcher Jarrod Saltalamacchia engaged in a heated, nose-to-nose conversation at home plate. Desmond became annoyed when he barely avoided an inside pitch from Koehler. The confrontation didn't escalate.

Cardinals 6, Brewers 1: Shelby Miller struck out seven and allowed three hits in six innings, and Mark Ellis had two RBIs on his return from the disabled list to lead St. Louis over host Milwaukee.

Matt Holliday and Johnny Peralta homered in the ninth for the Cardinals, who handed the Brewers their second straight loss following a nine-game winning streak.

Miller (2-2) routinely fired fastballs clocked in the mid-90s and gave up only a homer to Aramis Ramirez in the fourth. The Brewers have one run and six hits in the two first games of the series.

Mets 9, Diamondbacks 0: Kirk Nieuwenhuis had three hits and three RBIs in his season debut, and Jenny Mejia (2-0) pitched five effective innings in a combined three-hitter as visiting New York routed struggling Arizona.

The Mets placed center fielder Juan Lagares on the 15-day disabled list with a pulled hamstring and called up Nieuwenhuis from the minors. He slid into Lagares' spot nicely, hitting a two-run homer during a six-run fourth inning against Bronson Arroyo (1-1) and adding a diving catch in the fifth.

Giants 3, Dodgers 2 (2): Hector Sanchez singled home the winning run with two outs in the 12th inning as host San Francisco beat Los Angeles after Brandon Bell's tying double in the ninth.

Hunter Pence had four hits for the Giants, who have won three of four.

Brandon Crawford singled off Brandon League (0-1) with one out in the 12th and advanced to second on a groundout by Brandon Hicks. His bouncer deflected off third baseman Juan Uribe to shortstop Hanley Ramirez, who threw to first for the out.

But the Dodgers were unable to get the lead runner on the play, and it cost them.

Crawford went to third on a wild pitch and Sanchez hit a sharp one-hopper that glanced off the glove of diving second baseman Justin Turner and into center field.

Rockies 3, Padres 2: Juan Nicasio pitched six solid innings as Colorado edged San Diego for a rare road victory.

Nicasio (2-0) allowed hits to his first four batters as the light-hitting Padres took a 2-0 lead. But the right-hander gave up just two hits after that and improved to 3-0 in six starts against San Diego with a 2.89 ERA.

MLB

Honoring Jackie

MLB marks the 67th anniversary of Robinson breaking color barrier

By RONALD BLUM
The Associated Press

MARKING the 67th anniversary of the day Jackie Robinson broke baseball's color barrier, the Rev. Jesse Jackson praised Commissioner Bud Selig for the strides the sport has taken in minority opportunities over the past two decades.

Jackson traveled to baseball's 1992 winter meetings to criticize its lack of minorities in management, and he pushed for change.

Selig retired Robinson's No. 42 in 1997 on the 50th anniversary of the big league debut of the Brooklyn Dodgers first baseman. Selig established a Diverse Business Partners program the following year and in 1999 started requiring clubs to consider at least one minority for each manager and major executive opening. MLB also sponsors 35 Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholars.

Jackson said Jackie Robinson Day had become "a national holiday for all practical purposes."

"To honor Jackie in this way honors the best in America," Jackson told Selig on Tuesday at MLB's third Diversity Business Summit. "In many ways, had Jackie not succeeded you could not have Atlanta Falcons or the Braves or the Carolina Panthers. You could not have

these southern teams if Jackie had failed."

Robinson's daughter, Sharon, presented Selig with a large plaque. Jackson spoke from the audience after Selig's speech and told him "you took to heart that challenge."

"I guess if you're commissioner long enough, things can turn around," Selig said later.

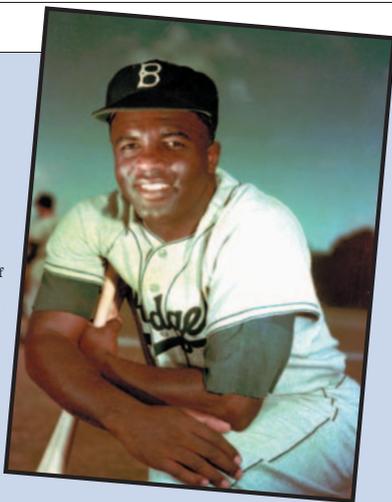
For the first time since Robinson's number was retired, no players in the major leagues were wearing No. 42. Players using the number were grandfathered at the time of Selig's announcement, and the last to use No. 42 was Yankees reliever Mariano Rivera, who retired at the end of last season.

"Today all of our players league-wide will wear No. 42 to celebrate the man who helped change the future course of our game and more importantly our country," Selig said.

A ceremony had been scheduled for Yankee Stadium to unveil a plaque commemorating Nelson Mandela's visit to the old Bronx ballpark in 1990. The Yankees' game against the Chicago Cubs was rained out, and the ceremony, which includes Zondwa Mandela, a grandson of the late South African president, was pushed back until Wednesday evening.

Selig frequently points out that Robinson's first game occurred more than a year before President Harry Truman desegregated the U.S. military and seven years before the Supreme Court's Brown v. Board of Education decision that ruled state laws requiring segregated public schools were unconstitutional.

"Baseball must continue to be more than just a game on the field," Selig said. "The game's remarkable ability to serve as a common bond should be used to create opportunities for all people regardless of race, religion, sexual orientation or gender."



Selig calls replay start 'remarkable'

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NEW YORK — Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig says the sport's new replay system is working well despite a few problems during its first two weeks.

While baseball began video review late in the 2008 season, it was limited to potential home runs and boundary calls. The new system that began March 30 vastly expands the types of plays that managers and umpires can ask to be reviewed at a replay center in New York.

Calls by umpires on the field have been confirmed in 33 of 89 challenges through Monday and overturned in 30. For 25 others, calls stood because of a lack of "clear and convincing" evidence. In one instance, umpires asked for a video review to check the balls-strike count.

Selig called the rollout "remarkable" but wouldn't say whether MLB would make any adjustments in this initial season.

"We've had really very little controversy overall," Selig said Tuesday. "Everything in life will have a little glitch here and there where you do something new. And are our guys on top of it? You bet. But I'm saying to you again, you'll hear about the one or two controversies, but look at all the calls that have been overturned."

Umpires' review challenged calls in a room filled with computers, screens and technicians at the offices of Major League Baseball Advanced Media.

"Technology takes a while to work," MLBAM chief executive officer Bob Bowman said. "I don't know if you ever bought a new car. You don't know how all that stuff works right away. And if you ever get a new phone, it takes you awhile to learn it. We're under 30 days old, and I know we've arrived because ESPN is already criticizing us. And it must be great to be perfect the way ESPN is."

Boston manager John Farrell was ejected after a call was overturned during Sunday's game against the Yankees, which gave New York an additional run in a game it went on to win 3-2. Francisco Cervelli originally was called out at first for an inning-ending double play, but he was ruled safe on the review. All-Star Brian McCann to score from first.

"I don't expect any system to be perfect. So it's no different than before instant replay," Yankees owner Hal Steinbrenner said. "You're going to get calls that go your way, and you're probably going to get some that don't. And no system is perfect, but it's a vast improvement over what we had."

Cubs owner Tom Ricketts had a more playful view.

"We're two and two in challenges, so it's clear to us the replay system only works about half the time," he said.

Did you know

All 30 Major League Baseball clubs retired Jackie Robinson's No.



42 in 1997 on the 50th anniversary of his big-league debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers. Mariano Rivera of the New York Yankees, who retired last year, was the last player to wear No. 42.

SOURCE: The Associated Press

Selig became acting commissioner in 1992 and got the job permanently in 1998.

He plans to retire in January. He said the Diverse Business Partners program had led to purchases of more than \$1 billion in goods and services from minority- and women-owned businesses. But the percentage of African-American players in the major leagues has been cut in half since peaking at about 18 percent at times from the mid-1970s to mid-1980s.

Seattle Mariners manager Lloyd McClendon, who is black, says some of this generation's players don't know of Robinson's accomplishments.

"They don't know a lot about the history, and I don't really blame it all on them. I think their generation is a generation that was force-fed these things," he said, holding up a smart phone.

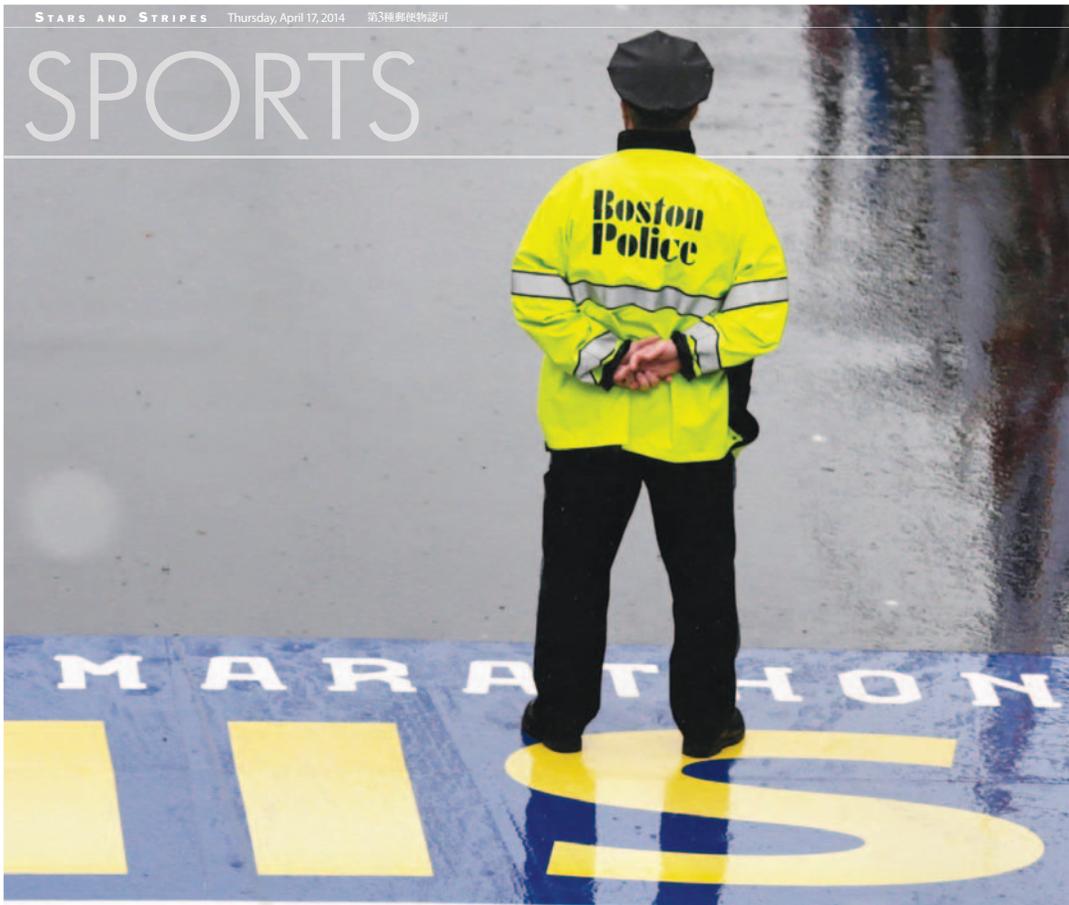
"Everything's now. Not much of an appreciation for the past and what it meant, particularly when it comes to baseball and baseball players. The paths that were paved for them, I don't think they really get it, or really understand it."



Pittsburgh Pirates outfielder Andrew McCutchen, left, wore No. 42 in Tuesday's game against the Cincinnati Reds on Jackie Robinson Day to honor Robinson, above, who broke Major League Baseball's color barrier with the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947.

FILE PHOTO, ABOVE, AND AL BEHRMAN, LEFT/AP

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