



Police in riot gear watch protesters in Ferguson, Mo., on Wednesday.

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## FLAWED RESPONSE

### Military veterans decry police conduct in Ferguson riots

By THOMAS GIBBONS-NEFF  
*The Washington Post*

Jet-black rifles leveled at unarmed citizens and mine-resistant vehicles once used to patrol the roadways of Iraq and Afghanistan rumbling through small town America. These are scenes playing out in Ferguson, Mo., which has been racked by protests for the past week following the fatal shooting of unarmed 18-year-old Michael Brown.

For veterans of the wars that the Ferguson

protests so closely resemble, the police response has appeared to be not only heavy-handed but out of step with the most effective ways for both law enforcement and military personnel to respond to demonstrations.

"You see the police are standing online with bulletproof vests and rifles pointed at people's chests," said Jason Fritz, a former Army officer and an international policing operations analyst. "That's not controlling the crowd, that's intimidating them."

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#### CRISIS IN IRAQ

## Al-Maliki's departure may deepen US mission

By DAVID S. CLOUD  
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WASHINGTON — The resignation of Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki after a bitter political power struggle sets the stage for increasing U.S. arms shipments and military advisers, deepening America's role in a conflict President Barack Obama had sought to avoid.

White House officials, who had urged al-Maliki to step down, praised him for agreeing Thursday to back Haider al-Abadi, a less divisive successor who they hope can unite Iraq's political and religious factions against the Islamic State militants who control or threaten much of the country.

"Iraqis took another major step forward in uniting their country," national security adviser Susan Rice said in a statement. "These are encouraging developments that we hope can set Iraq on a new path."

Secretary of State John F. Kerry issued a statement late Thursday commending al-Maliki for his "important and honorable decision." Kerry urged al-Abadi and other Iraqi leaders to act quickly to form a new government, "which is essential to pulling the country together and consolidating the efforts of Iraq's many diverse communities against the common threat posed by the Islamic State."

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"I didn't castrate hogs, but I do know how to skin a chicken and I can do that pretty well."

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MILITARY

# Victim of insider attack laid to rest

By C.J. LIN  
Stars and Stripes

ARLINGTON, Va. — A cannon boomed across the hallowed grounds of Arlington National Cemetery on Thursday as a two-star general killed in an insider attack in Afghanistan was buried with full military honors.

The somber ceremony for Maj. Gen. Harold J. Greene included a riderless horse following the caisson — an honor given to an Army or Marine Corps officer ranked colonel or above — and was attended by more than 100 mourners.

U.S. Army Chief of Staff Gen. Ray Odierno presented the flag that had covered Greene's casket to his widow, Susan Myers, a retired Army colonel. Odierno then presented three more flags that had touched the casket to Greene's son, Matthew, a first lieutenant in the Army; his daughter, Amelia; and his father, also named Harold.

The burial was preceded by a chapel service that was closed to media. Lt. Col. Juanita Chang, an Army public affairs officer, said the 650-seat chapel at Arlington was filled beyond capacity. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel attended and met with the family.

At the chapel ceremony, Matthew Greene told stories about his father, Chang said, and Amelia Greene spoke about her father's love of New England sports, particularly the Boston Red Sox, who went the first 45 years of his life without winning the World Series. The Red Sox have since won three titles, and the family will attend a game at Fenway Park on Saturday and will be honored after the 5th inning, Chang said.

Greene, 55, was the first general officer killed in an overseas attack since the Vietnam War. He was killed Aug. 5 when an Afghan army soldier emerged from hiding in a bathroom at Marshal Fahim National Defense University outside Kabul and opened fire on a delegation of U.S. and European military officers. The shooter was killed. More than a dozen troops were wounded in the shooting, including a German brigadier general, a senior Afghan commander and nine U.S. troops.



Photos by C.J. Lin/Stars and Stripes

The funeral procession for Maj. Gen. Harold J. Greene approaches the burial site Thursday at Arlington National Cemetery. Greene was killed in an insider attack in Afghanistan on Aug. 5 and was buried with full military honors.



Army 1st Lt. Matthew Greene, the son of slain Maj. Gen. Harold J. Greene, mourns after placing a rose on his father's casket.

Three of the nine were treated in Kabul and were released, while the others were flown to Germany and were treated at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, where they were in stable condition. Five were flown to stateside hospitals

on Sunday while one remains at Landstuhl.

The DOD has not released their identities, but a Washington Post report said one of the American servicemembers was one of Greene's aides, an Army captain

who was shot several times and is paralyzed below the waist. He was identified as Capt. Jeremy Haynes by the Telegraph newspaper of Macon, Ga. The Telegraph also identified another of the wounded as Army Capt. Ibrahim Tantawi.

Greene joined the Army as a second lieutenant in the Army Corps of Engineers in 1980. He served in various assignments including as a platoon leader and an intelligence officer before attending the U.S. Army War College, where he earned a master's degree in strategic studies. He served consecutive Pentagon assignments before he was killed on his first combat tour in Afghanistan, where he was the deputy commander for training Afghan troops, a post he assumed in January.

His decorations included the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart and the Army Commendation Medal.

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## MILITARY

## Bibles to be returned to Navy lodging

By TRAVIS J. TRITTEN  
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WASHINGTON — Gideons Bibles are going back into Navy lodges.

The Navy on Thursday ordered the Bibles returned to rooms and said it is reviewing a decision by the Navy Exchange to remove them from its worldwide network of military hotels.

Atheists had cheered a victory after a complaint prompted the exchange to begin moving the Bibles to its lost-and-found bins this summer, but the Navy said the decision was made without consulting senior leadership.

"That decision and our religious accommodation policies with regard to the placement of religious materials are under review," Navy spokesman Cmdr. Ryan Perry wrote in an email to Stars and Stripes. "While that review is under way, religious materials removed from Navy Lodge rooms will be returned."

Bibles donated by Gideons International are a common sight in Navy lodges and at hotels around the world.

The Navy Exchange sent a memorandum in June to all its lodge managers saying the Bibles and all religious materials left in rooms will be removed using "established procedures for lost-and-found property."

In the meantime, managers were ordered to "refer all inquiries about placing religious materials including Bibles to the chaplain's office for the military installation where the lodge is located," according to the memo

written by Bill Mayhue, the Navy lodge program regional manager. It was signed by the director of the Navy Exchange lodges program.

"This will allow the commanding officer to determine ... whether the materials will be accepted and how they will be handled and distributed," Mayhue wrote.

The memo was prompted by a complaint in March by the Freedom from Religion Foundation, a Wisconsin atheist group that claims 21,000 members including hundreds of active-duty troops and veterans.

The group sent a letter claiming the Navy is showing an unconstitutional preference for Christianity. Staff attorney Sam Grover said a couple of members had served more than 20 years in the military and said they had never seen any other religious

text in Navy lodging other than the Bible.

"That demonstrates the Navy's preference for Christianity over all other religions and nonreligious texts," he said.

Grover said the Freedom from Religion Foundation does not expect Bibles or other religious materials to disappear from lodges. Instead, chaplains could make the Bible available to those who request it or Navy lodges could supply a collection of religious and atheist texts at the front desk,

he said.

The group suggested lodges offer patrons the Born Again Skeptics Guide to the Bible, which is sold through its website.

The brief removal of Bibles caused some outrage from religious groups.

The Chaplain Alliance for Religious Liberty, which advocates for the free practice of religion in the military, called it an act of censorship and criticized the Navy for bending to the atheist complaint.

"It's tiresome to see senior military leaders needlessly cave in to activist groups offended by anything Christian," Ron Crews, a retired colonel and chaplain who is the executive director of the group, said in a released statement.

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## Say what?

A sample of reader comments from stripes.com



## Navy orders Bibles back in lodging

The Navy on Thursday ordered Gideons Bibles returned to rooms in Navy Lodging, and said it is reviewing a decision by the Navy Exchange to remove them from its worldwide network of military hotels after an atheist group complained that their presence showed the military favored Christianity above other religions.

## Readers respond:

Finally a win for the majority, and for the basic foundation of this country!

— Douglas Riley

Placing Bibles in Navy Lodges implies that the Christian faith is THE faith of the US Navy and in that regard is not in keeping with the first amendment.

— JamesMN

Just put a lending library in the lobby and reference the fact in the MWR information binder in the room. Problem solved.

— SNCO

So what about Islamic Qurans? Jewish Torahs? Hindu, Buddhist or Jain religious texts? If the military puts one religious book in a hotel room, it has to put all. What about copies of atheist writers books, like "God is not Great"?

— mlwaukeeprogressive examiner

The military does not put the Bibles in the rooms. They are donated by the Gideons. Perhaps the Quran etc should be donated by a their religious organizations.

— RichardMNixon

Do the Gideons have a house-keeping pass key to all the lodges? Just wondering about the physical act of putting the Bible into the nightstands.

— SNCO

How come atheists/humanists preach tolerance but never tolerate the Christian? ... Why don't they see the irony in their argument? I AM inclusive ... I want everyone to become a Christian.

— Bo D.

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## Former Marine in urination video found dead in NC

By DAVID ZUCCHINO  
Los Angeles Times

DURHAM, N.C. — Former Marine sniper Robert Richards, a central figure in a 2012 video scandal involving Marines urinating on the corpses of Afghan insurgents, has been found dead at his home in North Carolina.

Richards, 28, died in Jacksonville, outside Camp Lejeune, on Wednesday morning, according to his lawyer and friend, Guy L. Womack. Richards' wife found his body, Womack said Thursday. Womack said the death did not appear to be self-inflicted, and there were no signs of a struggle. He said an autopsy was performed Thursday, with toxicological test results expected in about two weeks.

Womack said he suspected the death may be related to medication Richards took for combat wounds and post-traumatic stress disorder. "He was taking a whole cocktail of medications," he said. Richards, who left the Marine Corps in 2013 on a medical

retirement, pleaded guilty at a court-martial at Camp Lejeune in August 2013 to several charges related to a video that showed Richards and three other Marines urinating on the corpses in Helmand province. He was reduced in rank from sergeant to corporal, but avoided a bad-conduct discharge.

The 39-second video triggered international outrage when it was posted online in January 2012. One Marine could be heard saying to one of the dead men, "Have a good day, buddy."

One Marine testified that a sergeant in the platoon had been killed earlier in the day by a roadside bomb, and the Marines believed the dead insurgents had been responsible.

"It's heart-rending," Womack said of Richards' death. "He was truly a heroic young Marine."

Womack said he fielded condolence calls from Marine corporals all the way up to a Marine four-star general.

Richards and his wife had sold their home in North Carolina

and had bought a home in Florida, where the couple were from, Womack said. They were planning to move there within the next week or so, he said.

The Marine Corps said in a statement: "We are aware of reports of the tragic passing of Cpl. Robert W. Richards. We offer our deepest condolences to his family and friends."

Richards was a highly trained sniper who served three tours in Afghanistan. On his second tour, he was badly wounded by a roadside bomb in 2010 that sent shrapnel tearing through his neck and nearly severed his foot. He also suffered back injuries and a traumatic brain injury.

After months of hospital treatment for his wounds, Womack said, Richards volunteered for a third tour. It was on that tour that the video was taken.

Eight Marines were court-martialed or received nonjudicial punishment for their roles in the video incident. Richards pleaded guilty to conduct prejudicial to good order and discipline, includ-

# CRISIS IN IRAQ



IRAQI GOVERNMENT/AP

Iraq's prime minister for the past eight years, Nouri al-Maliki, announces that he is stepping down. Al-Maliki relinquished his post Thursday to fellow Dawa Party member Haider al-Abadi, left, ending a political deadlock that has plunged the country into uncertainty as it fights a Sunni militant insurgency.

# Al-Maliki departure hailed

## New leader aims to unite nation's competing factions

By SAMEER N. YACUB  
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*The Associated Press*

BAGHDAD — The decision by Nouri al-Maliki to step down as Iraq's prime minister brought celebrations from his opponents Friday, as the country's top Shiite cleric urged his successor to carry out dramatic reforms so the new government can take on Sunni insurgents who have overrun large parts of the country.

The man tapped to become the next prime minister, Haider al-Abadi, a veteran Shiite lawmaker, now faces the immense challenge of trying to unite Iraqi politicians as he cobbles together a Cabinet in just over three weeks.

Iraq's major factions deeply distrust each other. Sunni politicians are pressing for greater political influence, saying their disenfranchisement under al-Maliki's Shiite-dominated government fueled support among the Sunni minority for the insurgency, led by the extremist Islamic State group. At the same time, the military needs significant bolstering after falling apart in the face of the militants' advance and proving incapable of taking back lost territory.

But the immediate emotion Friday was relief that al-Maliki had relented after weeks of insisting he must be allowed to serve a third, four-year term in the post, causing a mounting political crisis as even his fellow Shiites pushed for him to go.

During Friday prayers in Baghdad's Shiite Sadr City district, a man distributed sweets to Shiite worshippers, proclaiming, "Sad-

dam has been brought down."

The comparison of al-Maliki to the late dictator Saddam Hussein showed the depth of opposition to the outgoing prime minister even among some of his fellow Shiites. Sadr City is dominated by followers of powerful Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, one of al-Maliki's harshest critics. Six years ago, al-Maliki sent security forces to battle al-Sadr's militias to establish his authority and project his image as a national leader.

"We congratulate the Iraqi people for the victory that has been done this week. It is the work of congratulations," said Ali Talaqani, a preacher loyal to al-Sadr, in his sermon to Sadr City worshippers.

Shiite factions turned against al-Maliki largely because they saw him as domineering and monopolizing power and allowing widespread corruption in favor of his loyalists. Critics say he staffed the military's officer corps with incompetent loyalists, playing a major role in the army's collapse in the face of the Islamic State militants the past two months.

Sunni factions also accused him of widespread corruption. But they also said his government sidelined their community, angered by his crackdown on Sunni protests and arrests of Sunni politicians.

On Friday, Iraq's most revered Shiite cleric, Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, called upon the next government to address "shortcomings" in security and to "crack down on corruption in the political establishment. He said there is a 'dire need' for new leadership that can

combat terrorism and heal sectarian divisions.

"This is a rare, positive chance for Iraq to pursue new horizons that will lead to solving all of its problems — especially political and security," the reclusive leader said in a Friday sermon delivered by his spokesman Ahmed al-Safi in the holy city of Karbala.

"The enormous spread of corruption in state institutions hampers any real progress in the sectors of security, services and economic development."

Al-Sistani, who rarely appears in public and almost always delivers messages through spokesmen, had been issuing veiled calls for al-Maliki to step aside for weeks, marking a rare intervention in politics by the normally quietist cleric.

Al-Maliki announced on national television Thursday evening he was giving up his post and throwing his support to al-Abadi. He stood along senior members of his Shiite Islamic Dawa Party, including al-Abadi.

The longtime prime minister had been growing increasingly isolated as he struggled to keep his post. The United States, the U.N., and perhaps his most important ally Iran were in agreement that he should go.

The U.N. Security Council urged al-Abadi to work swiftly to form "an inclusive government that represents all segments of the Iraqi population and that contributes to finding a viable and sustainable solution to the country's current challenges."

# Departure: US likely to send more weapons, advisers

FROM FRONT PAGE

Al-Maliki made his announcement in a nationally televised address from Baghdad, saying he was withdrawing his candidacy in favor of al-Abadi, who stood next to him. Al-Maliki referred to him as "brother."

"I will not be a reason for the spilling of one drop of blood," al-Maliki said, according to BBC monitoring. He added: "I say to you, oh people, I do not want any position. My position is your confidence in me, and there is no more sophisticated or honorable position."

Obama now is expected to approve proposals to open the Pentagon spigot wider, sending new shipments of weapons and equipment as well as potentially hundreds of additional U.S. advisers to help Iraqi and Kurdish units with tactics and potentially to call in airstrikes, officials said.

About 1,000 U.S. advisers and other military personnel already are in Iraq, mostly in Baghdad.

Obama said Thursday that most of the 20 or so special forces who had helped assess the conditions faced by Yazidi refugees stranded on a mountain in northern Iraq would leave the country in coming days.

He emphasized America's attempt to provide humanitarian relief, but he also said the Pentagon would continue the airstrikes he authorized last week "to protect our people and facilities in Iraq."

About two dozen airstrikes so far have supported Kurdish forces near Irbil, capital of the semi-autonomous Kurdish region, or helped break the militants' siege of Mount Sinjar, where the refugees had gathered.

But several senior U.S. officials said airstrikes could be launched closer to Baghdad if the extremist fighters show signs of threatening the capital. Asked about that possibility, Rear Adm. John Kirby, the Pentagon spokesman, did not rule it out.

"We stand by, and we're willing to help and to coordinate a little bit with [Iraqi forces], but as the president said, we're not going to become the Iraqi air force," Kirby said. "This is their fight to fight. We're willing to help to the degree we can."

Behind the scenes, the Pentagon and the U.S. Central Command had been preparing for weeks for a rapid expansion of military assistance, which is likely to include Hellfire air-to-ground missiles that Iraq can use to carry out its own air attacks, heavy weapons capable of attacking armored vehicles used by the militants, and

ammunition.

The U.S. also is likely to deliver additional shipments of Kurdish fighters in the north, who have been battling the militants outside Irbil.

A major U.S. concern is the Mosul dam, the largest in Iraq, which militants seized this month. The extremists could attempt to blow it up, threatening Mosul, about 30 miles downstream.

The U.S. has also sought to enlist allies in helping Iraq. France has begun to deliver weapons to the Kurds, and Germany has signaled it is likely to do so. Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the other Persian Gulf states, who all opposed al-Maliki, are now expected to increase their support.

On Thursday, U.S. fighters and drones conducted airstrikes northwest of Irbil against two armed vehicles and a U.S.-made mine-resistant ambush-protected vehicle, CENTCOM said in a statement.

The armed vehicles were destroyed after they were seen firing on Kurdish forces. Forty minutes later, the MRAP was struck, but it wasn't destroyed until it was hit a second time, the statement said.

The White House and its allies were reluctant to support al-Maliki because they didn't want to side with his authoritarian Shiite-dominated government and security force against the country's minority Sunnis and Kurds.

"We will see the nature of waiting until there is a new government, of saying the onus has to be on them," said a U.S. official, who asked not to be named to discuss the administration's strategy. "But now we are looking to how we can boost them and give them support."

In June the militants took Mosul in three days with a few hundred fighters, as an Iraqi security force of 50,000 fled their positions, according to U.S. officials. The group now controls oil fields and refineries, and has received as much as \$100 million in annual revenue, the officials said.

The militants' rule in areas controlled by Islamic State has been "brutal but so far effective," said a U.S. intelligence official. He said they have briefed reporters on conditions they not be identified in discussing internal intelligence assessments.

Nearly all the Islamic State leaders spent time in American-run jails during the Iraq War, according to U.S. intelligence officials, who briefed reporters on condition they not be identified in discussing internal intelligence assessments.

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# CRISIS IN IRAQ

# Aid workers: Iraq refugee crisis far from over

By MITCHELL PROTHERO  
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IRBIL, Iraq — Humanitarian aid workers warned Thursday that it was too soon to declare the U.S. mission to aid Yazidi refugees in northern Iraq a success, noting that at least 100,000 residents who fled the Islamic State's capture of Sinjar now crowd cities and refugee camps and will need humanitarian assistance for months to come.

There is no prospect that Islamic State militants will be pushed from Sinjar soon — the only long-term solution to the Yazidi displacement.

"We don't know exactly how many are still out there; it's just too widely dispersed an area," said one international aid worker who spoke anonymously because he did not have approval from his group's media relations office. "But what we know is over 100,000 people are going to need to be cared for, for the foreseeable future at least. And that's on top of what was already a massive crisis in the rest of Iraq with over 1 million people displaced from their homes."

The comment was in response to President Barack Obama's declaration that U.S. military actions in northern Iraq had broken what he called the siege of a desolate mountain region of thousands of Yazidis had fled after the Islamic State captured the nearby city of Sinjar.

In a brief appearance before reporters in Martha's Vineyard, Mass., where he is on vacation, Obama said that it was "unlikely" United States aircraft would drop more food and water over the desolate Sinjar mountains, and that "the majority" of 129 military advisers deployed to Irbil to help plan aid operations would soon depart Iraq.

"Americans should be very proud of our efforts," Obama said, only a week after he had authorized U.S. military action to protect the Yazidis. "Because of the skill and professionalism of our military and the generosity of our people, we broke the siege of Mount Sinjar, we helped vulnerable people reach safety and we helped save many innocent lives."

## More US strikes urged

Kurdish militia fighters who battled Islamic State forces near Sinjar suggested that the humanitarian crisis would not end until Sinjar had been retaken — and that that would require much more aggressive bombing from the United States, a prospect not anticipated in Obama's current authorizations for the use of force. Those limit U.S. airstrikes to protecting American people and property and preventing Islamic State attacks on the Yazidis.

"The fighting is very heavy at times and the Americans have helped with some airstrikes, but there have not been many," said Hamid, a militia commander who was one of hundreds of Syrian Kurds who crossed into Iraq to help battle the Islamic State near



KHALID MOHAMMED/AP

Displaced Iraqis from the Yazidi community settle under a bridge Thursday in Dahuk, Iraq, 260 miles northwest of Baghdad.

Sinjar. He agreed to speak but asked that only his first name be used.

On a break back in Syria, where he was reached by phone, Hamid said U.S. bombing strikes had provided only limited assistance.

"They helped us clear a path for the refugees, but it will not be enough to remove Daash from the area," he said, using the disparaging Arabic acronym for the Islamic State. "With more bombings, we could liberate Sinjar and they could all go home."

At the Pentagon, spokesman Navy Rear Adm. John Kirby said that of the 25 airstrikes mounted by U.S. aircraft since Aug. 8, about half were on targets connected to the Sinjar humanitarian mission. Kirby said the authorization for airstrikes to protect the Yazidis remained in effect, but with the Yazidis off the mountains, airstrikes related to their protection seemed unlikely.

The authorization to strike Islamic State targets that might threaten Kurdish forces' hold on Irbil, where the United States maintains a large consulate, a CIA station and a joint military operations center, was also active.

## MRAP targeted

Four strikes under that authorization took place on Thursday, the U.S. Central Command announced, including a pair that destroyed an Islamic State-operated MRAP. It was the first time one of the U.S.-provided heavily armored vehicles that Islamic State militants captured when they pushed through Iraq in June had been reported to have been targeted.

The U.S. account offered insight into why Kurdish forces have complained that they need heavier weapons to confront an Islamic State armed with such U.S.-provided weapons systems. U.S. aircraft first struck the MRAP, which was designed to withstand roadside bombs, northeast of Irbil at approximately 6:40 p.m. local time.

"After initial assessment," Centcom said, U.S. aircraft returned about 7:55 p.m. and "destroyed the MRAP."

Details of the assessment team's 24-hour visit to the Sinjar mountains suggested that the U.S. aid effort may have provided the refugees more psychological than actual value.

days leading up to the assessment, thousands successfully made their way down the mountains and to neighboring Iraqi and Syrian cities.

The assessment team found no bodies in the area it surveyed, and while Kirby said that as many as 4,000 people remained in the mountains, other officials said the assessors had concluded the number might be as low as 1,000. Of those still there, as many as half appeared to be permanent residents or did not want to leave.

Of those who still wanted to go, 90 percent were leaving by truck, the assessment team found.

## Conflicting accounts

The Pentagon did not offer any comment to questions about how aggressively the Islamic State had besieged the mountains amid accounts from the region that leave it unclear whether a siege had been imposed. One defense official, who asked not to be identified because of the sensitivity of the subject, said he would not have used the word siege to describe what took place.

While early news accounts after Sinjar fell described Islamic State militants hunting down Yazidis to execute them, the Islamic State never described the mountains as a target, as it had done with other military objectives. None of the Yazidi self-defense forces formed to protect the refugees on the mountains reported fighting Islamic State militants, and while Iraqi army helicopters reported tracking fire when they flew over

Islamic State lines, none was shot down.

One key question that remained a subject of speculation was how many Yazidis were ever trapped on the mountains. The United Nations initially suggested that 40,000 had fled there, and as recently as Tuesday, it reported that between 20,000 and 30,000 were likely still there.

U.S. aerial photographs suggested far fewer, but officials were worried that the photos had captured the same people more than once. The trapped Yazidis "kept moving," the senior defense official said.

Privately, some blamed the news media for overstating the situation, leading to confusion about how dire the situation was.

International aid officials warned that even though most of the Yazidis are now off the mountains, that's only the beginning of a long process of caring for yet another group of internally displaced people in a country where as many as a million residents have fled their homes since June.

A United Nations statement this week said those arriving suffer from dehydration, malnutrition, exhaustion and physical injuries.

"The Yazidi situation remains a very dynamic and challenging one, and it's of life-saving importance that people receive help and protection," said U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees Antonio Guterres. "We are doing all we can in very difficult circumstances to meet the urgent needs."

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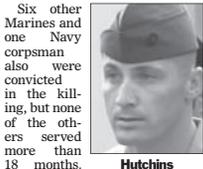
# Marine convicted of killing Iraqi to be retried

By JENNIFER HLAID  
*Stars and Stripes*

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — A Marine sentenced to 11 years in prison for the 2006 killing of an unarmed Iraqi in Hamdaniyah will be retried later this month after his conviction was thrown out because a confession was obtained after he had been improperly denied a lawyer.

But the civilian lawyer of the Marine, Sgt. Lawrence G. Hutchins III, argued in a hearing Thursday that he should first get a new Article 32 hearing because the confession was the centerpiece of the government's case against him.

Hutchins was convicted of unpremeditated murder in 2007 for the death of the unarmed Iraqi and served six years of his sentence before it was overturned. The Marine Corps announced in January that it would retry him for the crime.



Hutchins

Six other Marines and one Navy corpsman also were convicted in the killing, but none of the others served more than 18 months. Hutchins was the squad leader.

Hutchins' lawyer, Chris Oprison, is a former Marine prosecutor and now is a partner with the law firm Akerman LLP. He said he took Hutchins' case for free after reading the details.

"He's a Marine that needed help," Oprison said, adding that he thought the Marine Corps' retrying Hutchins is "pretty deplorable."

"His family's been through hell," Oprison said. "He's a stellar Marine ... he needs to be left

alone to go on with his life."

Hutchins lives in Oceanside, Calif., with his wife, Reyna, and three children. His wife, Reyna, sat behind him in the courtroom in the hearing Thursday.

During the hearing, Oprison said Hutchins' case may have been compromised by an unusual search of defense counsel offices here in May. Criminal investigators told Oprison they did the search to find a cellphone belonging to Sgt. Rigo Joseph Betancourt, who, in an unrelated case, was accused of drug use, kidnaping, assault and other offenses, including being a member of an outlaw motorcycle gang.

The investigators insisted that while they went through reams of files looking for the phone, they did not read any of them and did not see any information protected by lawyer-client privilege.

Maj. Bart Slabbekorn, a military attorney whose prosecution team was handling the Betan-

court case, said investigators learned that defense lawyers had the cellphone when they provided copies of text messages in an effort to have Betancourt released from pretrial confinement.

Slabbekorn said he had believed the defense attorneys would turn the cellphone over to investigators, and that he had hoped until moments beforehand that a search to seize the phone would not be necessary.

Gunnery Sgt. Trevor Hansen, a criminal investigator, testified that he videotaped the search because the investigators "were trying to be as transparent as possible."

They looked anywhere that someone could hide a cellphone, he said.

The testimony became heated when Hansen mentioned that defense lawyers standing in the hallway had made "snide comments" about the search, and Oprison sarcastically said he couldn't imagine why they would

be upset about people "rifling through privileged documents."

Hansen said he knew the officers had privileged information inside, but he also knew that some of the attorneys had the cellphone and were hiding it. Later, in response to a question, he said he has a fundamental distrust of defense counsel.

Lead prosecutor Capt. Peter McNeilly said Oprison's assertion that Hutchins' case is somehow tainted by the search is "pure speculation," and not backed up by evidence, though he urged the judge, Navy Capt. Andrew Henderson, to view the video before making a decision.

Henderson on Thursday denied Hutchins' motion for a new arraignment, but was to rule on four more motions, including the request for a new Article 32 hearing, Friday.

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## Kerry flies commercial flight after AF jet has problem

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HONOLULU — Flight delays stink, no matter who you are.

Secretary of State John Kerry flew around the world during the past week, zipping hither and yon for nine days on his Air Force jet till the plane broke down Thursday.

Kerry was supposed to fly home to Washington from Hawaii early in the morning, but instead took a commercial United Airlines flight hours later.

"Finally, some frequent-flyer miles," Kerry said when his staffers explained the alternate arrangements, according to a senior State Department official.

The State Department official, who requested anonymity because he was not authorized to speak on the record, said an electrical problem with the Air Force Boeing 757 forced it to remain on the ground at Hickam Air Force Base in Hawaii.

The glitch came on the very last leg of a trip that took Kerry to Afghanistan, Burma, Australia and the Solomon Islands.

Most of his staff boarded the United flight, along with reporters who had traveled with Kerry. He was in first class; most everyone else was not.

Kerry often has expressed frustration with his aging plane, which previously has run into technical problems during the global journeys that have made him one of the most-traveled U.S. secretaries of state.

While waiting for his flight, Kerry received a briefing from U.S. Navy Adm. Samuel Locklear, commander of the U.S. Pacific Command, and spoke with several administration and foreign officials, the Reuters news agency reported, citing a spokesman.

Since assuming office Feb. 1, 2013, Kerry has juggled priorities amid a virtually nonstop travel schedule that has left many around him often exasperated and exhausted.



HENDRICK SIMOES/Stars and Stripes

Flight deck crews on the USS George H.W. Bush in the Persian Gulf prepare for the first morning launch of aircraft recently in support of an ongoing mission to suppress Islamic State militants in Iraq.

## Yellow shirts on the move all night long

By HENDRICK SIMOES  
*Stars and Stripes*

ABOARD THE USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH — When flight operations aboard an aircraft carrier end, the work on the flight deck goes on.

After hours, U.S. Navy aviation boatswain's mate aircraft handlers, commonly known as yellow shirts, are responsible for repositioning aircraft in preparation for the next day's flight operations.

It's dark, it's loud, it's hazardous; There are more than 60 aircraft tightly parked on the flight deck and in the hangar bay

see a video of the "yellow shirts" at work on the Bush  
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of the USS George H.W. Bush, currently underway in the Persian Gulf. One slip-up can result in thousands of dollars in damage to an aircraft.

The Bush is in the midst of a nine-month deployment to the 6th and 5th Fleet areas of responsibility that started in February.

In June, the ship was retasked from supporting Operation Enduring Freedom

in Afghanistan and was ordered to the Persian Gulf. As the militant group Islamic State swept across parts of northern Iraq, aircraft from the Bush began flying armed patrol missions over the country.

F/A-18s launched from the Bush are among aircraft conducting airstrikes in Iraq since President Barack Obama authorized them on Aug. 7 to protect U.S. personnel and to support aid efforts for members of an Iraqi minority trapped by the militants.

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NATION

# Police: Teen shot by cop suspected in recent robbery

By DAVID A. LIEB AND ALAN SCHER ZAGIER  
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FERGUSON, Mo. — A suburban St. Louis police chief on Friday identified the officer whose fatal shooting of an unarmed black teenager ignited days of heated protests, and released documents alleging the teen was killed after a robbery in which he was suspected of stealing a \$48.99 box of cigars.

Ferguson Police Chief Thomas Jackson released several police reports and documents during a news conference where he also identified the officer involved as Darren Wilson.

**It still doesn't justify shooting him when he puts his hands up. You still don't shoot him in the face.**

Brown and his friend, Dorian Johnson, were suspected of taking a box of cigars from a store in Ferguson that morning, according to police reports. Jackson said Wilson went to the area after a call to police reporting a "strong-arm" robbery just before noon. He said a dispatcher gave a description of the robbery suspect, and Wilson, who had been assisting on another call, was sent to investigate.

Wilson, a six-year veteran of the police department, encountered Brown just after 12:01 p.m., with a second officer arriving three minutes later, Jackson said.

Brown's uncle, Bernard Ewing, questioned whether Wilson really believed Brown was a suspect. He noted Johnson's account that the officer told the two young men to get out of the street and onto the sidewalk, and that Brown had his hands up when he was shot.

"If he's a robbery suspect, they would have had the lights on," Ewing said. "If you rob somebody, you would tell them, 'Get on the ground' or something, not 'Get off the sidewalk.'"

"It still doesn't justify shooting him when he puts his hands up," he added. "You still don't shoot him in the face."

A phone message seeking comment from the family's attorney, Benjamin Crump, wasn't immediately returned.

Brown's death has sparked several days of clashes with furious

protesters in the city. The mood was quelled on Thursday after the governor turned oversight of the protests over to the state Highway Patrol. State troopers walking side by side with thousands of peaceful protesters replaced the image of previous nights: county police in riot gear and armored tanks.

But the police chief's announcement Friday was met with immediate disbelief and anger by several dozen community members who also attended the news conference, which was hastily held at a gas station burned during a night of looting earlier in the week in Ferguson, a town of 21,000 that is nearly 70 percent black and patrolled by a nearly all-white police force.

"He stopped the wrong one, bottom line," yelled Tatinisha Wheeler, a nurse's aide who was at the news conference.



J.B. FORBES, ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH/AP

**People drive down the street honking their horns, raising their arms and holding signs on West Florissant in Ferguson, Mo., on Thursday evening. Gov. Jay Nixon helped defuse tensions in the city when he assigned protest oversight to Highway Patrol Capt. Ron Johnson, who is black and grew up near Ferguson.**

A couple dozen protesters began marching around the charred gas station and in the street chanting, "Hands up, don't shoot" and "What do we want? Justice! When do we want it? Now!"

Police have said Brown was shot after an officer encountered him and another man on the street during a routine patrol.

They say one of the men pushed the officer into his squad car, then physically assaulted him in the vehicle and struggled with the officer over the officer's weapon. At least one shot was fired inside the car before the struggle spilled onto the street, where Brown was shot multiple times, according to police.

Dorian Johnson has told media a different story. He said he and Brown were walking in the street when an officer ordered them onto the sidewalk, then grabbed his friend's neck and tried to pull him into the car before brandishing his weapon and firing. He said Brown started to run, and the officer pursued him, firing multiple times.

Tensions in Ferguson boiled over after a candlelight vigil Sunday night, as looters smashed and burned businesses in the neighborhood, where police have repeatedly fired tear gas and smoke bombs.

By Thursday, there was a dramatic shift in the atmosphere after Gov. Jay Nixon assigned protest oversight to Highway Patrol Capt. Ron Johnson, who is black and grew up near Ferguson. He marched alongside protesters, along with other high-ranking brass from the Highway Patrol and the St. Louis County Police Department.

"We're here to serve and protect," Johnson said. "We're not here to instill fear."

The streets were filled with music, free food and even laughter. When darkness fell — the point at which previous protests have grown tense — no uniformed officers were in sight outside the burned-out QuikTrip convenience store that had become a flashpoint for standoffs between police and protesters.

"All they did was look at us and shoot tear gas," Pedro Smith, who has participated in the nightly protests, said Thursday. "This is totally different. Now we're being treated with respect."

The more tolerant response came as President Barack Obama spoke publicly for the first time about the shooting — and the subsequent violence that shocked the nation and threatened to tear apart Ferguson.

Obama said there was "no excuse" for violence either against the police or by officers against peaceful protesters.

Attorney General Eric Holder has said federal investigators had interviewed witnesses to the shooting.

## Response: Vet says use of police dogs among problems

FROM FRONT PAGE

The protests in Ferguson began in earnest just a day after Brown was killed, when a prayer vigil for the slain teen turned into an evening of looting.

Scriven King, a 10-year veteran of the U.S. Air Force's law enforcement component and a SWAT officer, attributed the initial spasm of violence to a lack of leadership and mismanagement of public perception on the Ferguson Police Department's behalf.

"The first thing that went wrong was when the police showed up with K-9 units," Scriven said. "The dogs played on racist imagery. ... It played the situation up and [the department] wasn't cognizant of the imagery."

King added that, instead of de-escalating the situation on the second day, the police responded with armored vehicles and SWAT officers clad in bulletproof vests and military-grade rifles.

"We went through some pretty bad areas of Afghanistan, but we didn't wear that much gear," said Kyle Dykstra, an Army veteran and former security officer for the State Department. Dykstra specifically pointed out the bulletproof armor the officers were wearing around their shoulders, known as "Deltoid" armor.

"I can't think of a (protest) situation where the use of M4 (rifles) are merited," Fritz said. "I don't see it as a viable tactic in any scenario."



JEFF ROBERSON/AP

**An explosive device deployed by police flies in the air as police and protesters clash Wednesday in Ferguson, Mo.**

Ferguson police have defended their handling of the protests and said some demonstrators have been trying to "co-opt" peaceful protests. But while the Ferguson and St. Louis County police departments may have made their presence felt in the streets, they have made only limited use of social media.

"They've kept people in an information black hole," King said, mentioning that their decision not to share details about operations more widely has only exacerbated the situation.

"There has not been a dialogue about the tactical situation the officers faced," he said, referring to the fact that there might have been a reason that caused the officers to respond with such heavy equipment. "There could have been threats to the officers, but that informa-

tion has not been shared to the public."

As the violence continued to escalate over the course of the week, King said, Ferguson police also exacerbated tensions by allowing individual officers to engage with protesters.

"Officers were calling the protesters 'animals,'" King said. "I can't imagine a military unit would do that in any scenario."

King added that if it were a military unit in a similar situation, there would be a public affairs officer or civil affairs engagement team that would help bridge the gap between the riot control elements and the general population.

"I would hate to call the Ferguson response a military one," he said, "because it isn't. It's an aberration."

## NATION

# Search for missing Amish sisters with return home

By GEORGE M. WALSH  
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ALBANY, N.Y. — The search for two missing Amish sisters who apparently were abducted from their family's roadside farm stand in northern New York ended with their safe return about 24 hours later when they were given a lift home. What happened in between hasn't been revealed publicly.

The girls, Della Miller, 7, and Fannie Miller, 12, were dropped off Thursday evening at a house in Richville, about 15 miles from the family farm in Oswegatchie, St. Lawrence County District Attorney Mary Rain said. Cold and wet but unharmed, they knocked on the door and asked for help getting home, she said.

A neighbor who visited the Miller family after hearing word of the girls' return said she spoke with one of their brothers, who said they were well and being checked out.

"We have the safe return of the two girls, but at the same time, we have a lot of work to do," county Sheriff Kevin Wells told WWNW-TV. "There's still been a crime committed here, these girls were still taken away from their homes."

No other details were immediately available about what had happened to the girls or if authorities had identified any suspects.

"We have the sheriff's department and the FBI speaking with the young ladies," Rain said, while noting that the Amish are a "very private people."

She said investigators believe more than one person was responsible for the girls' disappearance and she was confident they would be arrested.

Word of the girls' return came shortly after about 200 people attended a candlelight prayer vigil

at Cornerstone Wesleyan Church in nearby Heuvelton. They sang "Amazing Grace" and "This Little Light of Mine," read psalms and called children to the altar for a round of prayers.

Dot Simmons, a member of the congregation and neighbor of the Miller family, said despair turned to joy when she returned home from the vigil to word that the girls were safe.

She and her husband got a call saying that police scanner traffic was reporting the unexpected outcome and they drove next door to find an ambulance and one of the Millers' older sons sharing the good news.

At the nearby police command post, authorities weren't releasing any information, but the subdued atmosphere had given way to law enforcement officers exchanging smiles and high-fives.

"We are celebrating tonight, but now the real work begins," Wells said, according to the Watertown Daily Times.

Authorities initially said the sisters vanished about 7:30 p.m. Wednesday after a light-colored car pulled up to the farm stand and they went down to tend to the customers while the rest of their family stayed at a barn for the evening milking. By Thursday night, however, they were looking for a red car.

Searchers had scoured Oswegatchie, a farming community of about 4,000 people on the Canadian border, in a hunt hampered by a lack of photos of the girls for authorities to circulate. The Amish typically shun modern technology, but the family agreed to the release of a sketch of the older child, Wells said. They had to work with an artist who spoke their language, a German dialect.

# Williams had early stages of Parkinson's

By EMILY YAHR  
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Days after Robin Williams' death, people are looking for answers about why the beloved entertainer would take his own life. On Thursday, his wife, Susan Schneider, released a statement that said Williams was in the early stages of Parkinson's disease when he died.

"Robin's sobriety was intact and he was brave as he struggled with his own battles of depression, anxiety as well as early stages of Parkinson's Disease, which he was not ready to share publicly," Schneider said. (Her full statement is below.)

Already this week, rumors have been flying about Williams's

alleged troubles, from money issues to reports that he started drinking again. Williams, 63, had battled alcohol addiction for years, and he briefly spent time in a rehabilitation facility this summer.

Williams's representative, Mara Buxbaum, also said the actor had no financial problems, telling TheWrap, "We should be blessed to have Robin's financial status."

On Tuesday, investigators confirmed that a preliminary investigation revealed Williams died of suicide from hanging due to asphyxia. An official cause of death and toxicology report will be released in the next several weeks.



BILL O'LEARY/AP

A kitchen worker sets up the salad bar at the FDA cafeteria in Hillandale, Md.

# Background checks hinder federal kitchen staff hiring

By EMILY WAX-THIBODEAUX  
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WASHINGTON — The lunch lines at the main cafeteria on the sprawling campus of the Food and Drug Administration in White Oak, Md., are bigger than the brunch crowd at 14th Street's latest eatery, craft-cocktail, artisanal restaurant.

And the staff is struggling to keep up. They're short at least three employees to help prepare the dragon rolls, to work the turkey carving station and to replenish the croissants at the double-sided salad bar.

In post-Edward Snowden Washington, hiring for official kitchens and dining halls is grinding to a crawl. Every busboy, dishwasher and cashier requires elaborate background checks, which include lengthy waits for fingerprinting, credit checks and sometimes even polygraphs.

"This says so much about Washington right now," said David Filbeck, director of staffing at Occasions Caterers, which serves the State Department, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Supreme Court and the Library of Congress.

Before Snowden, he had to wait less than a week for background checks for his wait staff. But in recent months, they take up to six weeks, he said.

"By now, kitchen staff wade into that bureaucratic rigmarole when they can earn \$300 per night working on 14th Street now?" Meanwhile, to work for us, they have to go through the fingerprints and credit checks," he said. "It just limits the number of people we can send to a State Department dinner or an event at

the Supreme Court."

Most instead are finding ready employment in Washington's booming culinary scene, where 100 restaurants opened last year.

To compensate, employees of federal cafeterias and dining rooms simply work more hours, say those who hire for the government and their contractors. Or sometimes, they call in the military. They aren't always available because army mess cooks usually have to feed their own.

Undocumented immigrants, a staple of kitchens across Washington, need not apply for federal jobs. To make matters worse, kitchen staff, themselves, say they often fail the credit checks because they tend to be low-paid and frequently change jobs.

"We chefs lead kind of storied lives for background checks," said Frank Riita, who was a White House chef during the Reagan administration and until recently ran the upscale restaurant Palena in Washington's Cleveland Park neighborhood. "But in all seriousness, in Washington right now, the labor pool hasn't caught up with the boom. It's a real problem for hiring in restaurants, let alone in the government."

Some security experts argue that clearances and background checks are essential, especially for anyone handling food.

"There's a reason kings hired courtiers to taste their food," said Bill Golden, the chief executive of IntelligenceCareers.com and of USADefenseIndustryJobs.com.

Everyone who works for the government or is hired by a contractor is required to have a basic background check, which typically examines employment and both criminal and credit history.

Anyone working at a government-secured facility, like an intelligence agency, or who has access to classified documents must get a clearance, which involves an even more-rigorous vetting, Golden said.

It's long been true that support staff — from the NASA janitor sweeping the floors to the CIA driver ferrying high-profile agents — need varying levels of checks and clearance.

What's changed is that every agency "is running frantic about accidentally hiring the next Snowden." [Wikileaks leaker] Bradley Manning, and [Navy Yard shooter] Aaron Alexis, and so that means they are going to take a much deeper look and spend more time studying that cook or cleaner," said Evan Lesser, founder of ClearanceJobs.com, which matches employers with employees who have security clearances. "It's really about the proximity to power," Lesser said. "And those who don't make that much money and might be facing a financial hardship can be easily bribed to overhear things."

While there's been no new government policy requiring more rigorous checks after the Snowden leaks and Navy Yard shootings, agencies have grown skittish and are asking for better vetting of employees, he said.

The federal government spends at least \$400 million per year on investigations into 2 million employees who may not need clearances, according to Rep. Bennie Thompson, D-Miss., and Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., who have introduced legislation to revamp the security-clearance system.

## NATION

## Computer chip maps brain's architecture

By GEOFFREY MOHAN  
Los Angeles Times

Computer science is getting stunningly close to granting the wish of the Scarecrow, not to mention the needs of the modern soldier.

The Pentagon has long sought what the Wizard of Oz could not manufacture: a brain, or at least an electronic cognition machine that operates as closely as possible to the speed and efficiency of the human cortex.

A coalition of IBM's research institutes and several universities and government labs delivered a preliminary answer this month to that request: a 5.4-billion transistor chip with 1.1 million programmable neurons and 256 million synapses. The TrueNorth chip is the size of a postage stamp and is more than 1,000 times as energy efficient as a conventional chip, according to a study published online Aug. 7 in the journal *Science*.

Don't expect to see the tiny supercomputer on your smartphone anytime soon, although the lead researcher said his team is gaining momentum in that direction. He envisions a world populated with sensors that can process data at brainlike speeds, serving such roles as guides for the blind or instant detectors of industrial toxins.

"The impossible has become possible, and the next step is to make possible real, in terms of commercial applications," said Dhamendra Modha, head of the cognitive computing group at IBM Almaden Research Center.

Modha and many others have been metaphorically whistling "If I only had a brain" for decades. That's because for all the exponential advances in processing speed, materials and manufacturing, digital computing relies on architecture rooted in the 1940s. It has a well-known "bottleneck" between computers and memory, named for the architect himself, John von Neumann.

Supercomputers that have hurdled the von Neumann bottleneck have accomplished stunning feats, including trivializing a "Jeopardy!" champion. But supercomputers also can have energy requirements that vie with some municipalities, and have grown larger than the laboratory-sized calculating machines of the infancy of computers.

The human brain, meanwhile, uses roughly 20 watts and occupies the same volume as two cylinders of an old Harley-Davidson motorcycle (74 cubic inches).

"We have instrumented the planet with cameras, microphones, smartphones, a variety of sensors, and the data is coming at us fast and furious," Modha said. "Asking today's computers to understand this sensory tsunami is architecturally very, very expensive."



Wisconsin democratic gubernatorial candidate Mary Burke talks with Malcolm Johnson, left, 13, of Evansville, Wis., about his cow at the Rock County 4-H Fair on July 24 in Janesville, Wis.

ANDY MANIS/AP

## Seeking pigs, cows, votes

Out on the trail, Midwest candidates play up rural experience

By CATHERINE LUCY  
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DES MOINES, Iowa — For candidates in the Midwest, almost nothing tops a photo opportunity with a barnyard animal or a colorful anecdote about life on the farm.

Take Mary Burke, a former business executive running as a Democrat for governor in Wisconsin, who recently paused to check out the cows at a county fair. Or Illinois venture capitalist Bruce Rauner, who talks about his dairy farmer grandfather as a role model in his Republican bid for governor. And there is Iowa U.S. Senate candidate Joni Ernst, who gained national attention with an ad touting her hog castration skills.

Most voters in these states don't work on farms. Most candidates don't either. But many of those seeking office seem to be stretching farther than ever for a barnyard background to establish some common-man authenticity. "It's the classic, 'I grew up in a log cabin and walked uphill to school both ways,'" said Sue Dvorsky, a former chair of the Iowa Democratic Party.

Sometimes the connection requires a bit of tractor-pulling effort. Rauner is a millionaire by two Ivy League degrees, but his official biography stresses that thanks to granddad, "Bruce knew how to ride a horse at 6, milk a cow at 8, and shoot a rifle at 10." Burke's main selling point is her successes with the family bicycle company, but a key photo on her website shows her in a denim shirt in front of a tractor.

Recently in Iowa, both the governor and lieutenant governor, who do have rural backgrounds, felt the need to also assert their animal slaughter resumes.

"I held the hogs while the veterinarian castrated it." Gov. Terry Branstad said at a June news conference.



SETH PERLMAN/AP

Republican candidate for governor Bruce Rauner talks to central Illinois farmers in Lincoln, Ill., on July 31.

Then Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds chimed in: "I didn't castrate hogs, but I do know how to skin a chicken and I can do that pretty well."

So far, they have not demonstrated those skills on the campaign trail.

Nowhere is a rural record more desirable than in Iowa, a state with strong farming roots even though two-thirds of the population lives in urban areas. Candidates here trek around farms, gobble pie at state fairs and talk farm subsidies. While Ernst's ad became fodder for late-night comedy, it also struck a chord that helped propel the state lawmaker to victory in the five-way GOP primary.

"The great thing about Joni's ad is people relate to her," said Rob

Jesmer, a Republican consultant.

Ernst, a lieutenant colonel in the Iowa National Guard who was raised on a farm, now faces Democratic Rep. Bruce Braley in the battle to replace retiring Sen. Tom Harkin. The two are locked in a dead heat, and Ernst's campaign has tried to brand Braley as a lawyer who doesn't understand rural issues.

Braley's campaign has countered that he was raised in a small town, his grandfather was a farmer and he worked agricultural jobs in his youth. But he spent time apologizing earlier this year after a video was released of him referring to senior Sen. Charles Grassley, a six-term Republican, as a "farmer from Iowa who never went to law school, never practiced law."

Meanwhile, the candidates must be careful not to overreach. Of Rauner, Ken Snyder, a Chicago-based Democratic media consultant, notes: "Everybody knows he didn't make \$53 million last year as a farmer."

Rauner's spokesman, Mike Schrimpf, said the candidate just wants voters to know "what guided his life."

## Young boy detained despite US citizenship

By CINDY CARCAMO  
Los Angeles Times

TUCSON, Ariz. — An 11-year-old boy — one of hundreds who have been shuttled to an immigration detention facility in the middle of the New Mexican desert — was released this week after it was discovered that he is a U.S. citizen, according to the child's attorney.

The boy spent more than a month at the detention center in Artesia, N.M., before an immigration attorney who happened to be visiting the facility discovered his status last week. The child, whose father is a U.S. citizen, had migrated from Central America with his mother before both were detained.

"I don't think they asked him the right questions," said the boy's attorney, Stephen Manning. "He should never have been there."

Leticia Zamarripa, a spokeswoman with Department of Homeland Security, described the case as "a complex matter" but said she could not comment on individual immigration cases because of privacy issues.

She did say that if an immigration detainee claims U.S. citizenship, the person could be released from custody while Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials investigate. Ultimately, an immigration judge decides whether a person is eligible to remain in the United States.

The case highlights the difficulties and potential pitfalls federal officials have faced in speeding up the processing of the thousands of single parents with children who have fled Central America and entered the U.S. through its southern border, said Laura Lichter, an immigration attorney.

Lichter is part of a contingent of lawyers that has been given funding by the Artesia facility to provide free legal counsel to the detainees.

"I think the fact that a U.S. citizen was detained and for this long before anyone actually realized that there was even the possibility that they had detained a U.S. citizen shows that the system in respect and attention is being given to people's cases," said Lichter, former president of the American Immigration Lawyers Association. "What this shows you is that there really is no due process here and that the system is not working in a way to deport people from the country. It is not working to protect people's claims."

The boy's case also reflects what happens when U.S. immigration law collides with the reality of a family in a foreign land in which some members may be in the country legally while others are not.

Manning said that according to immigration law, because the boy's father is a U.S. citizen, his case is not, even though the boy was born abroad.

## WORLD

## Ukraine: Russian military vehicles destroyed

By JOHN VANDIVER  
Stars and Stripes

Some Russian military vehicles moving into Ukrainian territory were destroyed by Ukrainian artillery fire, Ukrainian officials said Friday, as concerns grow that Russia could be preparing for a formal invasion of the country.

Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko told British Prime Minister David Cameron in a phone call that "the majority of the machines had been eliminated by the Ukrainian artillery" Thursday night, according to a paraphrased account of the conversation on the presidential website.

Russia denied that any of its military vehicles had crossed into Ukraine or that any had been destroyed, The Associated Press reported, citing a Russian Defense Ministry spokesman.

In Copenhagen, however, NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen confirmed there had been a Russian "incursion" into Ukraine but stopped short of calling it an invasion.

Instead, he said, the actions on Thursday were similar to previous Russian efforts to transport supplies to pro-Russia separatists fighting government forces in eastern Ukraine.

"Last night we saw a Russian incursion, a crossing of the Ukrainian border," Rasmussen told reporters. "It just confirms the fact that we see a continued flow of weapons and fighters from Russia into the eastern Ukraine."

Ukraine did not elaborate on the numbers or type of military equipment it said were destroyed. If validated, the Ukrainian claim would reinforce allegations that

Russian forces are actively operating in Ukraine.

The U.S. and its European allies have threatened to impose more and stricter sanctions on Russia, if there is evidence that it is overtly supporting Ukrainian separatists.

In London, Cameron expressed "grave concerns at reports of Russian military vehicles crossing the border," his spokesman said in a statement. The statement added that Russia must not use a humanitarian aid convoy to civilians in eastern Ukraine, where separatists are fighting government forces "as a pretext for further provocation."

Andriy Lysenko, a spokesman for the Ukrainian military, told reporters in Kiev that Ukrainian forces engaged the Russian military convoy crossing the border

during the night.

"Appropriate actions were undertaken and a part of it no longer exists," Lysenko said, according to media reports.

A senior diplomat at NATO's head office in Brussels echoed Rasmussen's comments, saying the latest incursion appeared to confirm reports that Russia had been sending aid to the rebels for several months.

"It seems to be more of the same, rather than outright aggression against Ukraine," said the envoy who could not be identified under standing regulations.

Officials at U.S. European Command in Stuttgart, Germany, said they were still trying to determine what was happening along the border.

We've seen the same reports by the British journalists and

now statements by Ukrainian officials, but are unable to confirm the events as laid out," EUCOM spokesman Capt. Greg Hicks said.

Some British journalists reported that Russian armored personnel carriers were seen crossing into Ukraine, AP reported.

Russia's aid convoy of some 200 trucks, moving toward a border crossing under separatist control, AP reported, after initially agreeing to let Ukrainian officials inspect the convoy and to allow the Red Cross to distribute the aid. The AP reported that some Russian military vehicles were seen near the aid convoy Friday. The AP quoted a Red Cross official as saying the tentative plan was for the trucks to enter Ukraine without a military escort.

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## Rate of Ebola infection greater among women than men

By CAELAINN HOGAN  
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As the number of lives claimed by the Ebola epidemic in West Africa rises above 1,000, the rate of infection among women is outpacing that among men because women are the caregivers, nurses and cross-border traders, health officials report.

Outbreaks are thought to originate through contact with infected forest animals, often making men who hunt for bushmeat or handle the meat the first targets of infection.

But as an outbreak progresses, women tend to be disproportionately affected. Women account for 55 percent to 60 percent of the dead in the current epidemic in Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone, according to UNICEF.

"Women constitute a large section of the health workers and are on the front lines of this crisis," Nyama Koroma, first lady of Sierra Leone, said in a telephone interview.

At a task force meeting in Liberia a few weeks ago, health teams reported that 75 percent of those who were infected or died from Ebola were women, said Julia Duncan-Cassell, Liberia's minister for gender and development.

"Women are the caregivers — if a kid is sick, they say, 'Go to your mom,'" she said in an interview. "The cross-border trade women go to Guinea and Sierra Leone for the weekly markets, [and] they are also the caregivers. Most of the time when there is a death in the family, it's the woman who prepares the funeral, usually an aunt or another female relative."

Women are also the traditional birth attendants, nurses and the cleaners and laundry workers in hospitals, where there is risk of exposure.

Pregnant women are at high risk because of increased contact with health services and health workers. Two of the three largest



ABBAS DULEN/AP

Liberia women walk together Thursday in Monrovia, Liberia, and pray for help with the Ebola virus.

## US embassy families told to leave Freetown

The State Department on Thursday ordered family members of U.S. Embassy employees in Sierra Leone to evacuate the country's capital, Freetown, because of worries that the ongoing Ebola crisis is overwhelming medical facilities there.

"The embassy [in Sierra Leone] recommended this step out of an abundance of caution

following the determination by the Department's Medical Office that there is a lack of options for routine health care services at major medical facilities due to the Ebola outbreak," State Department spokeswoman Marie Harf said in a statement.

The agency added that it is "reconfiguring" staff at the embassy in Freetown "to be more responsive to the current situation." That includes focusing on helping U.S. citizens in the

country as well as working with Sierra Leone's government and international health and non-government relief organizations.

"We remain deeply committed to supporting Sierra Leone and regional and international efforts to strengthen the capacity of the country's health-care infrastructure and system," Harf said, "specifically, the capacity to contain and control the transmission of the Ebola virus, and deliver health care."

From The Washington Post

outbreaks of Ebola involved transmission of the virus in maternity settings, according to the World Health Organization.

"When a family member is sick and is tended at home, women cook and serve food to the sick, clean after them and wash their clothes," said Suafitua Tunis, a spokesperson for Community Response Group, a grass-roots initiative to combat Ebola in Sierra Leone and a leader of the Social

Mobilization Committee on Ebola that reports to the National Task Force. "This role is extended to the medical field, where women are mostly nurses and cleaners at hospitals and do not get the same support and protection as doctors, who are predominantly men."

She said that one woman contracted Ebola when she went to care for her mother-in-law in another village, and the wife of a chief in the Kailahun district, an

epicenter of the Ebola epidemic in Sierra Leone, was infected while caring for people at a local hospital. She then transmitted the virus to her child.

Understanding the role gender plays in an Ebola epidemic is crucial so that communication and intervention strategies can be targeted, health experts say. Women play a major role as conduits of information in their communities and, therefore, they are being en-

listed as leaders in campaigns to spread awareness about the disease. A government task force in Liberia is providing training for women's groups.

"By reaching the women, they are reaching those who can best protect their families and their own health," said Maricel Seeger, a WHO spokeswoman who is in Monrovia, Liberia.

From "mammie queens," traditional female leaders in Sierra Leone, to housewives and grandmothers, women are helping to inform other women about how to protect themselves and their communities.

Liberia has a history of women's movements driving social change, notably the role the women's peace movement had in helping to end the civil war of 1999-2003.

"Women have taken the lead in informing the community," Duncan-Cassell said.

Now spanning four countries — Liberia, Sierra Leone, Guinea and Nigeria — the worst outbreak of the Ebola virus on record is following the trend of previous outbreaks.

During the 2000-2001 Ebola outbreak in Gulu, Uganda, the number of women infected exceeded that of men throughout. "The tradition of the paternal aunt or another female relative washing the body before burial — a practice that also is common in West Africa — probably contributed to the high rate of infection in women."

In a 1979 Ebola outbreak in Sudan, 69 percent of those affected were women, according to a 2007 report by WHO.

The impact on women has economic implications. In rural areas, where the majority of smallholder farmers are women, food production could be affected, said Koroma, Sierra Leone's first lady. She added that border restrictions will affect traders, the majority of whom are women, making it difficult for them to provide for their families.

## NATION



ALIK KEPLICZ/AP

A boy looks into a Leopard tank barrel during an army picnic Friday following a military parade marking Polish Armed Forces Day, in Warsaw, Poland. The parade comes on the August 15 holiday that honors a stunning Polish victory against Russian Bolsheviks in 1920.

## Poland's parade a show of its force

The Associated Press

WARSAW, Poland — Poland put on its biggest military parade in years Friday to mark its annual armed forces holiday, with the president saying the violence in Ukraine shows that conflict is still a “brutal reality” in Eastern Europe and Poland must be able to defend itself.

Fighter jets and military helicopters flew over Warsaw as tanks rolled through the capital. More than 1,000 Polish soldiers marched, joined by dozens of U.S. and Canadian troops who are in Poland for NATO exercises.

The parade marked the stunning Polish victory against Russian Bolsheviks in 1920.

Poland has been occupied or controlled by Moscow for much of the past two centuries, leaving



CZAREK SOKOLOWSKI/AP

U.S. troops take a break from military exercises in Poland to march during the parade.

Poles shaken by the current Russian aggression in neighboring Ukraine. The government has reacted with appeals to NATO to set up permanent bases in Poland but is facing resistance from Germany and some other members.

“The Russian-Ukrainian conflict clearly shows that not all of the nations in our region can live in security,” President Bronislaw Komorowski said in a speech before the parade.

He said Russia’s annexation of Ukraine’s Crimean Peninsula, its

arming of separatists in eastern Ukraine and the “shooting down of a civilian passenger jet with children on board” show that the world must abandon its “illusions” and see that “armed conflict is still a brutal reality of Eastern Europe.”

He also called on NATO members to invest more in their defense, decriing that NATO spending has gone down even as Russia over the past eight years has significantly increased its own military spending.

## Pope calls on South Koreans to avoid trappings of wealth

BY NICOLE WINFIELD  
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The Associated Press

DAEJEON, South Korea — Pope Francis called Friday for Catholics to combat the allure of materialism during his five-day trip to South Korea. In the newly rich and hypercompetitive country, that might be a hard sell.

Far from being considered an evil, the trappings of wealth are often linked here to the hard work, sacrifice and gritty persistence of generations who hustled their nation out of war, dictatorship and poverty into an Asian powerhouse.

“I don’t want to knock successful people off their pedestal just because they have a lot of money,” said Kim Eun-kyun, 61 from Seoul, who described himself as a laic Catholic. “If someone has made a fortune for himself, fair and square, and has a lot of money, I don’t think that’s something to be condemned. I look up to you, actually, and I wonder, ‘What did I do wrong?’”

Francis made the call during his first public Mass in Asia. He received a boisterous welcome from tens of thousands of young Asians gathered for a Catholic festival in the central city of Daejeon. During his homily, Francis urged the faithful to reject “inhuman” economic policies that disenfranchise the poor and “the spirit of unbridled competition which generates selfishness and strife.”

It’s a theme he has raised frequently during his pontificate, railing against the “idolatry of money” and the excesses of capitalism that leave the poorest even further on the margins of society. While his message has been met with skepticism among some conservatives in the U.S. who have branded him a Marxist, it has been welcomed in much of the developing world and even some South Koreans said Friday he had a point.

“We are living in the age of limitless competition. But are we



KOREA POOL VIA YONHAP/AP

Pope Francis kisses a child Friday upon his arrival for Mass at Daejeon World Cup stadium in South Korea.

truly achieving happiness?” asked Chang Seouk-kyung, 57, a youth counselor. “If such a message is given by someone as powerful and revered as the pope, it will help people wake up, stop and look around them.”

South Koreans have also been charmed by Francis’ simple and humble manner — and surprised that he hopped into a modest compact car after arriving at the airport instead of the big luxury rides favored by the South Korean elite.

Before Mass got under way, Francis met privately with about a dozen survivors of the ferry disaster and relatives of the dead. One of them, Lee Ho Jin, whose son was killed, asked the pope to baptize him, and Francis agreed to perform the ritual on Saturday, said the Vatican spokesman, the Rev. Federico Lombardi.

The relatives presented the pope with a tiny yellow ribbon, a symbol of support for the ferry victims. The pope took the ribbon and wore it on his robe during the Mass.

## Thailand stops US, Australian couples from leaving with surrogate babies

The Associated Press

CANBERRA, Australia — Several couples from the United States and Australia have been prevented from leaving Thailand with surrogate babies as part of a government crackdown on the burgeoning commercial surrogacy industry, an Australian broadcaster reported Friday.

Thailand’s military junta, which seized power in May, has indicated it wants to ban commercial surrogacy in the Southeast Asian nation following recent publicity over allegations that an Australian couple had abandoned a baby boy born to a surrogate Thai mother after learning he had

Down syndrome. The couple, who took the boy’s healthy twin sister home, has said they wanted to bring the boy with them and the Thai surrogate has acknowledged she kept him because she feared he would end up in a state institution.

On Thursday, two Australian same-sex couples were prevented by Thai officials from leaving the Bangkok airport with babies born to Thai women, Australian Broadcasting Corp. reported. One couple had attempted to travel with the Thai surrogate mother in the hope of avoiding a challenge at the immigration desk, ABC said.

Two U.S. couples were also prevented

from leaving Thailand with babies in similar circumstances since Wednesday, ABC said.

In Bangkok, Cal. Suvitchphon Injaratch, a Thai immigration police commander overseeing the city’s Suvarnabhumi Airport, could not confirm those cases. However, he said he was aware of one heterosexual Australian couple that was stopped from leaving Thailand on Thursday with their surrogate baby “because their documents were not sufficient.”

He had no other details. Thai officials told ABC the couples would have to apply for court orders to take the

babies from the country, a process that could take months.

Melissa Sweeney, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Embassy in Bangkok, said in an email that the embassy was aware of the reports and officials were seeking clarification about Thailand’s immigration requirements.

Australia’s Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade on Friday would not confirm the ABC’s report, citing privacy reasons.

Scores of surrogates in Thailand are currently pregnant through Australian biological parents.

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OPINION

Former Marine still missing in Syria

Two years ago, Austin Tice, a former U.S. Marine who had been working as a freelance journalist and contributing articles to *The Washington Post*, *McClatchy Newspapers* and other news outlets, was kidnapped while reporting from Syria. Tice's parents have since repeatedly appealed for his release. Below is a letter written by the Tices to their son, who disappeared on Aug. 14, 2012. To mark the anniversary, *McClatchy Newspapers* has released two new documentary videos on Tice. Martin Baron, *The Washington Post's* executive editor, said: "Each month that passes without news of Austin deepens our concern for his well-being. His family has endured unimaginable pain as a result of his captivity. They have our support in their determined efforts to gain his release."

By DEBRA AND MARC TICE

On Monday night, we celebrated the 33rd birthday of our son, Austin Tice. Together with those who know him best, we laughed about Austin's childhood misadventures, reflected on his many accomplishments, and shared our fondest memories of the most devoted son, brother, uncle and friend any of us could ever ask for. Today, we mark the second anniversary of Austin's disappearance from somewhere outside Damascus, Syria. Austin was working as a freelance journalist for *McClatchy*, *The Washington Post*, *CBS* and other media when he was taken captive on Aug. 14, 2012.

Since that day, we have had no contact from Austin or his captors. We came together for Austin's birthday on Monday still not knowing where he is or who is holding him. So for every funny story and happy memory, there were the myriad questions

that have haunted us for the last 17,500 hours. What is Austin's life like today? Is he safe? Is he eating enough? Is he alone? Can he see the sky? How does he pass the time? Does he know how many people are praying and working for his safe return? When will we once again be able to share not just the momentous occasions or once-in-a-lifetime events he has missed; but also the small daily moments — the everyday joys, challenges, blunders and blessings — that family is all about.

Our greatest hope is that these questions, and the prayers of Austin's family, friends and supporters around the world, will soon be answered. Sadly, that happy day has yet to come. So we write today in the hopes that Austin will see these words, hear our voices, and receive three simple messages we wish to impart as he turns 33.

The first is that we love you and couldn't be prouder of the man you are today. From your earliest days as an Eagle Scout, a top student, a terrific athlete, and a caring friend and neighbor, we knew you were a special kid. When you put your Georgetown education on hold to follow your journalistic dreams, we knew you were extraordinary. When you did so to help people in one of the most dangerous regions in the world, we knew you were one in a million.

You saw suffering and put your talents to work to stop it — risking life and limb to share the personal and political stories people need to hear to stand up against violence and atrocity. Few people would put so much on the line for the well being of strangers half a world away. To think that we raised a man like you fills us with pride.

The second is that your compassion, loyalty, discipline, courage and commitment

Islamic State not following bin Laden's plan

By DAVID IGNATIUS

WASHINGTON  
 When Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi declared his terrorist Islamic State, he ignored a warning from Osama bin Laden that jihadists should be cautious about establishing a caliphate too quickly. In torching a firestorm in Iraq and Syria, al-Baghdadi has united his enemies and given them a target to attack, just as bin Laden predicted.

Al-Baghdadi's bloodbath has achieved the impossible: He has provided a common adversary for Saudis and Iranians, Turks and Kurds. He has united many of Iraq's Sunni, Shiite and Kurdish politicians behind an inclusive new government. He has forced a reluctant President Barack Obama to consider the possibility of authorizing airstrikes for "limited military objectives" in Iraq.

The counterattack against the Islamic State that began last weekend could last "months if not years," in the vague phrase used by U.S. and Iraqi officials. American power will be essential in this rollback, but Obama was right to warn Monday, "There is no American military solution to the larger crisis in Iraq."

"This is the last chance for Iraq," Kurdish leader Massoud Barzani said Monday in a video interview with the Aspen Strategy Group, at a foreign-policy gathering I attended. "While we need your military support," Barzani said, referring to the airstrikes and advisers Obama has authorized, "we will never ask you to put boots on the ground to fight for us."

As Obama must understand, America has returned to the slipperiest slope on

earth. He may seek a limited military involvement, but al-Baghdadi's Islamic State gets a vote. It will use suicide bombers against American targets anywhere it can find them. With its allies, it will try to attack the U.S. homeland. What began last weekend as an attempt to rescue Iraqi refugees on a mountaintop will likely have to expand.

Obama stepped gingerly into this fight, dropping humanitarian supplies, then bombing Islamic State mortar positions and hitting convoys. In an interview with Tom Friedman of *The New York Times*, he urged for Iraq the spirit of "no victor, no vanquished." That's a sensible call to compromise, but it was somewhat discordant alongside the president's explanation that he had used American power in Iraq in a situation "in which genocide is threatened."

Obama's strategy may be to deter the Islamic State from attacking the West, by focusing on the defense of U.S. personnel and rescue of Iraqis — and threatening massive drone attacks and targeted killings if they cross his line. But deterring terrorists is a risky course, because it counts on their rationality.

If Obama wants to send a signal that he's serious about helping a new Iraqi government, he should consider sending retired Gen. David Petraeus and former Ambassador Ryan Crocker — the two Americans who probably know Iraq best — to Baghdad as his special envoys.

Obama has gotten the broad outline of America's re-entry into Iraq right, by insisting that America will use its power in support of an inclusive Iraqi government that unites and battles the Islamic State. In practice, that will mean arming militia

remain an example not only to your parents and your six younger brothers and sisters; but to your people over. At a time when it's so easy to focus on what's wrong with the world, it may be a constant reminder of what's right with it — that there are still people out there who refuse to just throw up their hands and give up on problems that seem unsolvable. We see signs of your strength and inspiration each and every day. We see it up close in the calls, letters, and cards we've received offering every possible form of assistance and support. We see it from afar in the humanitarian acts of others seeking to end the misery and grief felt so vastly in so many corners of the globe. We even see it in ourselves — epitomized by our abiding faith and steadfast belief that we will see you again.

Third, we want you to know that your family, friends and people you have never known are working nonstop to bring you home safely. From hard tips about your possible whereabouts to simple prayers for your well being, we have received an overwhelming show of support from every continent on the planet. We are eternally grateful to every person who has reached out — and we fully expect even more people to come forward in the coming weeks and months. The piece of information that will bring you home safely is out there, somewhere. Rest assured that we will find it.

Austin, please know that we love and miss you more than words can say. God willing, you will be back to blow out the candles when you turn 34.

Debra and Marc Tice are the parents of Austin Tice, an American journalist kidnapped on Aug. 14, 2012. This column first appeared in *The Washington Post*.

groups that fight under an Iraqi banner, including the peshmarga and a new Sunni "national guard," which two senior Iraqi Sunni leaders recommended in a separate video interview Sunday night with the Aspen Strategy Group.

In the beginning, (Islamic) people were very sympathetic to the Islamic State as defenders of the Sunnis," explained one of the Iraqi leaders. "Now they see that they are al-Qaida, exploding mosques and killing people." Said a second Sunni official: "They are the enemy of all."

"This turn away from the Islamic State is just what bin Laden warned might happen if his followers were seen to be killing fellow Muslims in their grab for power. In a document found in Abbottabad, Pakistan, after he was killed in 2011, bin Laden cautioned that such red-hot tactics "would lead us to winning several battles while losing the war at the end."

Bin Laden thought Yemen was the most likely place where his supporters might declare a caliphate, but he worried they would do it too soon. An undated letter, perhaps written by bin Laden, cautioned: "We wish ... to establish the Islamic State, but first we want to make sure we have the capability to gain control of it. Even though we were able to militarily and economically exhaust and weaken our greatest enemy before and after [Sept. 11, 2001] the enemy continues to possess the ability to topple any state we establish."

Al-Baghdadi couldn't wait. His fighters ruthlessly seized the Sunni heartland of Iraq. Now we'll see if bin Laden's estimation of American power remains correct.

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## OPINION

## The militarization of the police on display

BY JAMELLE BOUIE  
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WASHINGTON  
The most striking photographs from Ferguson, Mo., aren't of Saturday's demonstrations or Sunday night's riots; they're of the police. Image after image shows officers clad in Kevlar vests, helmets and camouflage, armed with pistols, shotguns, automatic rifles and tear gas. In one photo, protesters stand toe-to-toe with baton-wielding riot police, in another, an unarmed man faces several cops, each with rifles at the ready.

What's more, Ferguson police have used armored vehicles to show force and control crowds. In one photo, riot gear-clad officers are standing in front of a mine-resistant ambush-protected vehicle, barking commands and launching tear gas into groups of demonstrators and journalists.

This would be one thing if Ferguson were in a war zone, or if protesters were violent — although, it's hard to imagine a situation in which American police would need a mine-resistant vehicle. But an episode of looting aside, Ferguson police aren't dealing with any particular danger. Nonetheless, they're treating demonstrators — and Ferguson residents writ large — as a population to occupy, not citizens to protect.

This is part of a broader problem. In his book "The Rise of the Warrior Cop," journalist Radley Balko notes that since the 1960s, "law-enforcement agencies across the U.S. at every level of government, have been blurring the line between police officer and soldier. Driven by martial rhetoric and the availability of military-style equipment — from bayonets and M-16 rifles to armored personnel carriers — American police forces have often adopted a mindset previously reserved for the battlefield."

This process ramped up with the "war on drugs" in the 1980s and 1990s, as the fed-



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Protesters raise their hands in front of police atop an armored vehicle in Ferguson, Mo., on Wednesday, four days after a police officer fatally shot Michael Brown.

eral government supplied local and state police forces with military-grade weaponry to clamp down on drug trafficking and other crime. And it accelerated again after the 9/11 attacks and the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, when the federal government had — and sent — billions in surplus military equipment to state and local governments. Since 2006, according to an analysis by The New York Times, police departments have acquired 435 armored vehicles, 533 planes, 93,763 machine guns and 432 mine-resistant armored trucks. Overall, since Congress established its program to transfer military hardware, local and state police departments have received \$4.3 billion worth of equipment. Accordingly, the value of military equip-

ment used by these police agencies has increased from \$1 million in 1990 to \$324 million in 1995 (shortly after the program was established), to nearly \$450 million in 2013.

At the same time as crime has fallen to its lowest levels in decades, police departments are acquiring more hardware and finding more reasons to use SWAT teams and other heavy-handed tactics, regardless of the situation. According to an American Civil Liberties Union report released this summer, 79 percent of SWAT deployments from 2011 to 2012 were for search warrants, a massive overreaction that can have disastrous consequences, including injury and death. That was the case for Aiyana Stanley-Jones, who was killed during

a SWAT raid by the Detroit police department. Serving a search warrant for an occupant of the house, Detroit police rushed in with flash bangs and ballistic shields. When one resident tried to grab an officer's gun, it fired, striking Aiyana. She was 7.

If you know anything about the racial disparities in the criminal justice system, then it also shouldn't shock you to learn that SWAT deployments are used disproportionately in black and Latino neighborhoods. The ACLU finds that 50 percent of those affected by SWAT deployments were black and Latino. Of these deployments, 68 percent were for drug searches. And a substantial number of drug searches — 60 percent — involved violent tactics to force entry, which lead predictably and avoidably to senseless injury and death.

The fact that police are eager to use their new weapons and vehicles isn't a surprise. As The New York Times notes, "The ubiquity of SWAT teams has changed not only the way officers look, but also the way departments view themselves. Recruiting videos feature clips of officers storming into homes with smoke grenades and firing automatic weapons." Put simply, when you give anyone toys, you have to expect they'll play with them.

That is how we get images like the ones in Ferguson, where police officers brandish heavy weapons and act as an occupying force. We should expect as much when we give police departments military weapons. Already — when it comes to predominantly black and brown communities — there's a long-standing culture of aggressive, punitive policing. Add assault weapons and armored vehicles, and you have a recipe for the repressive, violent reactions that we see in Ferguson, and that are likely innumerable in countless other poor American neighborhoods.

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## Ferguson incident tricky for some black politicians

BY CHARLES D. ELLISON  
The Root

It's the question bound to come up when an unarmed black person gets gunned down, choked or beaten by a white cop with a loose trigger: What are black politicians going to do about it?

And, to the consternation of folks asking, the answer is not as black and white as they'd like it.

Although protests continue on the streets of Ferguson, Mo., activists look to African-American elected officials for some perspective. Will the Congressional Black Caucus hold a press conference and push for justice on this string of unarmed black folks killed by cops? grouched veteran hip-hop commentator Davey D. Good question. And he teased it with an Operation Ghetto Storm analysis, exposing the "extrajudicial killing of 313 black people by police, security guards and vigilantes."

Unfortunately, Congress is on a five-week recess. That includes the 43 black members that don't convene in Washington until their annual late-September CBC Foundation extravaganza (which many disgruntled "revolutionaries" love to slam but end up attending, anyway). When Congress goes on break, so does the rest of Washington — along with President Barack Obama, acting on Martha's Vineyard, who quickly issued a statement on the death of beloved comedian-actor

Robin Williams but who took near three days before public "reflection" on events sparked by the death of a random college-bound black teen.

CBC members were tight-lipped last weekend as smoke started rising from the working-class St. Louis suburb. A joint statement finally emerged on Monday from CBC Chairwoman Marcia Fudge, D-Ohio, House Judiciary ranking member John Conyers, D-Mich., and Mount City-area Rep. William Lacy Clay, D-Mo., publicly nudging the Justice Department to probe the Michael Brown incident — which it has. But updates from the @OfficialCBC Twitter feed and CBC's website (cbc.fudge.house.gov) didn't get going until a spate of tweets later the same day. If you looked to Clay's Twitter timeline for real-time assessment, from the tone of the tweets, you'd think he was in another district than the one he represents — right where Ferguson is.

Meanwhile, the 600-plus-strong National Black Caucus of State Legislators hasn't (as I write this) huddled or issued a statement. But individually, black state legislators, like Missouri Rep. Clem Smith, D-St. Louis, are attempting something. "The leadership in Ferguson doesn't reflect [the racial composition] of the city," Smith told The Root. "This is where political power comes in, where we can elect a board that's responsive to [black residents'] needs."

Clay's cautious stance could be politically problematic for him down the road, should St. Louis 21st Ward Alderman Antonio French decide to capitalize. French went from 4,000 Twitter followers on Saturday to now more than 32,000 as he's boosted his credentials with far more comprehensive coverage of events in Ferguson.

Expectations differ from political realities. Justice-seeking black constituents demand commando-like advocacy in the form of G.I. Joe-like black politicians ready to battle heavily armed racist institutions.

But it's not that easy. Black congressional members, for example, have to fend off existential threats from gerrymandering Republican state legislatures diluting black political power. African-American state and local politicians are forced to forge winning "coalitions" of voters, including white voters — and powerful police unions that make influential endorsements.

Democratic-aligned black politicians must also navigate racially charged waters or risk tipping the scales further against their weakened party during elections. Voters conservative "tough on crime" voters siding with pro-police GOP candidates are clearly more energized than voters of color. And November is bleak enough electorally for Democrats. Being too strong on police brutality fuels Republican narratives of a "war on whites."

So black politicians are likely doing all

they can do — or, at least, all they think they can do. They're monitoring the situation, conducting official oversight and putting pressure on government agencies to act.

"It's important we redouble our efforts to respond to police violence," Rep. Hakeem Jeffries, D-N.Y., told The Root. "[But] the most important thing we can do is to make certain the Department of Justice enforces [affordable] civil rights statutes."

Jeffries, dealing with the killing of Eric Garner last month, concedes that "there's an epidemic of police violence." Jeffries and several colleagues in New York's congressional delegation have sought federal action in the Garner case, but even he will tell you he can't speak for the whole CBC. Plus, he's comfortably situated in New York's 9th Congressional District, where the population is overwhelmingly black and Latino. Clay doesn't have that luxury in a gerrymandered 47 percent white district that's forced him to tread softly. Many modern black politicians are not your neighborhood preacher or soapbox civil rights organizer. Fifty years since the Voting Rights Act, they are maturing into skilled elected officials who must get re-elected — at whatever political cost.

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# AMERICAN ROUNDUP

## Nude sunbather to fight lewdness charges

**UT** FARMINGTON — A 76-year-old man who police say was sunbathing nude in his backyard next to a church parking lot in Utah has pleaded not guilty to lewdness charges.

Myron Lee Kipp was in a Farmington, Utah, court Tuesday. Kipp pleaded not guilty to four counts of lewdness involving a child and three counts of lewdness.

Court documents show a police officer called to Kipp's house by neighbors on March 5 could see the man from the church parking lot. The backyard fence is chain link with no privacy slats.

When confronted, a completely nude Kipp told the officer it was his property and he could do what he wanted.

Several parents said they and their children could see the man from the parking lot.

## Women call police over cat's furry fury

**CA** CHULA VISTA — Two San Diego County women had to get help from police after being trapped in a bedroom by a family cat that a neighbor calls "a ball of fury."

Chula Vista police said a woman and her adult daughter called 911 Tuesday to say they were stuck in the bedroom because their cat Cuppy was in a rage and wouldn't let them leave.

Police said such matters are usually left to animal control, but officers decided to help out on a quiet night. They say eventually the cat walked out on its own.

Neighbor Karen Yarger said the cat has been a family pet for years but is unpredictable.

A Portland, Ore., family went through a similar ordeal when their cat Lux attacked a baby and boxed his owners in a bedroom.

## Child molester sues over rape in jail

**WA** WALLA WALLA — A child molester who was raped while held in the Garfield County Jail in Pomeroy is suing the county.

The complaint filed Tuesday in Walla Walla Superior Court says the man suffers anxiety and nightmares. He's seeking an amount of money that would be determined at a trial in the civil rights lawsuit.

The man was jailed in August 2011 for investigation of child rape when he was raped three times by cellmate John Markwell.

Markwell was convicted by a jury and, as a persistent offender with a history of violent sex crimes, he is serving a life sentence at the Washington State Penitentiary.

The plaintiff pleaded guilty to the child rape charges and is serving a 10-year sentence at the Monroe Corrections Center.

## State to use more humor on highway signs

**MA** BOSTON — The Massachusetts Department of Transportation on

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The cost of repairs and upgrades a rural Georgia city has agreed to make to its sewer system to settle a federal lawsuit by residents who complained that frequent spills flooded their homes and yards with raw waste. The city of Rochelle plans to install new sewer pipes, manholes and a pumping station. Mayor James Rhodes signed the document, as did eight residents who last year sued the city 70 miles south of Macon.



DAVID GOLDMAN/AP

## Gridiron dreams

Guests sleep in a tent next to the gift shop during a sleeperover Thursday in the College Football Hall of Fame in Atlanta. After touring the exhibits guests were served dinner on the football field before pitching their tents on the turf and settling in for the night as college football-themed movies such as "Rudy" were played.

Thursday announced the winners of a contest to come up with humorous-yet-important driver safety messages for electronic highway message boards.

The contest was inspired by a message posted on highways in May that encouraged drivers to "Use Yah Blinkah" — or turn signal — when changing lanes.

The winners were "Make yah Ma proud, wear yah seatbelt," to encourage belt use, submitted by The Parent's Supervised Driving Program team of Safe Roads Alliance; "Keep Calm and Drive On," to prevent road rage, submitted by Patrick Casey of Boston; and "Put down the phone! Your LOLs and OMGs can wait," to fight distracted driving, submitted by Justin Lovell of Whitman.

The winners get gift cards from gas stations and restaurants. More than 500 entries were received.

## High prices increase risk of cattle theft

**OR** PENDLETON — The state Department of Agriculture says Oregon ranchers must be extra vigilant this summer because high cattle prices are likely to attract thieves.

ODA supervising brand inspector Rodger Huffman said the agency anticipates Oregon ranchers will report 400 to 500 missing livestock this year, of which 20 percent may end up determined as stolen. Other types of losses could stem from weather, disease or predator attacks.

Market prices for cattle are, in some cases, more than twice the average of just a couple years ago. Demand for beef remains strong, and drought has whittled the U.S. cattle herd.

He told said that ranchers should check on cattle released onto vast rangeland or up in the Blue Mountains.

It also helps to brand livestock in case stolen animals are recovered.

## Couple get prison for theft from disabled man

**OH** AKRON — A northeast Ohio woman has admitted she pretended to be disabled in order to befriend a developmentally disabled man and steal from him.

Carol Hulet, 36, of Akron, was sentenced to four years in prison Wednesday after pleading guilty to burglary, forgery and

theft from the disabled. She was sentenced to an additional nine months for violating probation.

Hulet's husband, Shaun Hulet, pleaded guilty to burglary in the same case and was sentenced to two years in prison.

Prosecutors said Carol Hulet pretended to be disabled and eventually befriended a 60-year-old disabled man her husband had noticed riding the bus. Prosecutors said she convinced the man to cash three of his paychecks and to give her the money.

## Deputies: Man calls 911 after assaulting woman

**FL** PALM BEACH GARDENS — Palm Beach County Sheriff's officials in Florida say a man called 911 on himself after sexually assaulting a woman who had responded to a Craigslist ad for a cleaning job.

Jose Jones, 47, flagged down deputies responding to the call Tuesday evening. Before they could ask his name, he began shouting, "Take me to jail."

According to an arrest report, Jones told deputies he "tricked" the woman into meeting him and had "brutally raped her."

The victim said Jones attacked

her as he was showing her an office building she would be cleaning. She said he let her go after sexually assaulting her and she heard him calling 911 as she left.

## Police: Woman drove drunk with kids in SUV

**ND** BISMARK — A Bismarck woman is accused of running into two vehicles and a fence while driving drunk with three children in her vehicle.

The Bismarck Tribune reports Kayla McKenzie, 22, had a blood-alcohol content of 0.25 percent, more than three times the legal limit. She is charged with four counts, including felony reckless endangerment and felony child neglect.

The incident happened Tuesday night. Authorities said she drove her SUV with her 1-year-old child sitting in her lap and her two other children, ages 2 and 4, who were unsecured in the vehicle. The children were unharmed.

Police said the hit-and-runs caused about \$9,500 in damage.

McKenzie told a judge she drank "excessively" that night but could not recall driving.

From wire reports

## LIFESTYLE

# Like child's play

## Nonprofit puts adults on bikes and teaches them to ride

By KAREN ZAMORA  
Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

For many, learning how to ride a bike is a rite of passage. For others, it never happens. Now, some adults are finding out what they've been missing.

Sheldon Mains is helping adults in Minneapolis take care of that unfinished childhood business.

In a metro area known for its thriving bike culture, Mains discovered that there's a surprisingly large number of adults who have little or no experience on two wheels.

As an avid cyclist, he's trying to change that. Two years ago, Mains worked with a neighborhood group to establish a community bike center in Minneapolis. That center, SPOKES, offers free learn-to-ride classes for adults and teens that focus on what Mains calls the three basics of biking: balance, braking and the rules of the road.

The majority of students aren't native Minnesotans. Many come from areas where biking wasn't popular or affordable. But Mains believes that something as simple as a bicycle can offer independence.

Biking, he said, is all about "empowerment, freedom and joy." Here are some stories of the students.

### Sumitra Ramachandran

It wasn't the food or the weather or even the language that shocked Sumitra Ramachandran the most about her new home — it was the bikes.

"When I saw people (on bikes) it was weird, really different," said Ramachandran, who moved from India to Minneapolis two years ago.

Riding bicycles in India is common for kids, but as soon as young adults can drive, they trade two wheels for four. While Ramachandran, now 38, had childhood friends with bikes, she and her brother just never learned.

"And once I was older, I thought it wouldn't be easy to learn," she said. "I started driving and never had a chance to go back to biking."

Now, as a graduate student at the University of Minnesota, she depends on the bus, but that's not



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always convenient. If she misses a bus, she's stuck waiting 30 minutes for the next one. So she decided that she lived close enough to the university to try biking. "If I have a chance, I have to learn it," she told herself.

She found SPOKES and signed up for the program. She also started attending clinics on how to make simple bike repairs.

"Biking gives you more independence on what you want to do," Ramachandran said. "Which is exactly what I want."

### Asya Kosygina

Asya Kosygina has always been a walker.

While she was growing up, she and her Russian immigrant fam-

ily crisscrossed the United States. A bicycle was never in the picture, so she learned early on to rely on her own two feet.

Even when she moved to Minneapolis six months ago to study art history at the University of Minnesota, the 22-year-old kept walking. About 11 miles a day.

"I have some nice calluses now," she said.

She has tried to learn how to ride a bike several times. One summer, when she was visiting Russia, her grandfather tried to teach her. She somehow went flying into a field, which "put a damper on any romantic idea I had of biking at a young age," she said.

Later, when visiting friends in

San Francisco, she took a mid-night bike ride on the back of a tandem. She liked the feel of it.

When she landed in Minnesota, she made a decision: "I've been dancing around this issue long enough."

She signed up with SPOKES because it was "a place that could actually teach me how to ride from start to finish."

Halfway through her first class, she was pedaling around the backdrop.

"It was empowering; this thing I was gearing myself up to was much easier than I thought it would be," she said.

Now, she's planning to build her own bike. Until then, she'll keep walking.

### Vanessa Laven

The moment Vanessa Laven found out she was cancer-free, she made a bucket list:

Buy a house. Go rock climbing. Move to a new city.

At the top of the list? Learn to ride a bike.

"I want to have kids and not have them ask their father about that because I don't know the first thing about riding a bike," said Laven, 29.

Laven grew up in a "rough neighborhood" of New Jersey where bike theft was common. "I always had this feeling as a kid that the troublemaker, obnoxious

Asya Kosygina wobbles through the first lesson of a Learn-to-Ride bike class in Minneapolis. SPOKES, a nonprofit organization, offers free classes for adults who never learned to ride a bicycle.



Vanessa Laven adjusts her helmet after a break during the Learn-to-Ride program.

kids had bikes," she said.

So Laven got a pair of roller skates. They were less likely to be stolen, easier to store and cheaper for her parents, who immigrated from Cuba, to buy. Besides, "everybody was on roller skates," she said. "It was the '90s — that's just what we did."

When Laven moved to Minnesota last year, she noticed everyone was biking. "It wasn't just skinny hipsters riding bikes," she said. "It was older people, too."

In 2011, she found out she was in remission from stage two non-Hodgkins lymphoma, and made her list.

"A lot of the things were quintessential American, in my mind," Laven said. "And as a child of immigrants, it was all so foreign to me, like riding a bike."

She saw a notice about the learn-to-ride classes in a community bulletin and knew it was for her.

"That's one thing I can check off that I never did as a kid."



Sumitra Ramachandran talks with an instructor at the first lesson of a four-week Learn-to-Ride program.

HEALTH & FITNESS

# On vacation, don't throw in the towel on diet, exercise

By NORA KRUG  
The Washington Post

A beach vacation can be a runner's paradise: fresh air, free time and, if you're lucky, free baby-sitting. During annual trips to the Jersey Shore with my extended family, I'm happily up before my kids' 6 a.m. cry for chocolate chip pancakes, running longer and faster on the flat, stress-free ribbon of seaside road than I do on the hilly, anxiety- and traffic-clogged streets of my suburban neighborhood.

I realize that not everyone sees vacation as a time to escalate a fitness routine. If you're not a runner or a swimmer, or haven't bothered to lug a bike on the back of your car or don't have family around to watch your kids, it's not so easy to maintain your regimen. And with all that beautiful scenery and fun family activities to enjoy, it can be hard to find the motivation or time to exercise — or the justification for spending money on a gym guest pass, yoga studio or bike rental.

But exercise at the beach doesn't have to be difficult, expensive or burdensome. You can maintain your fitness through some basic exercises or even through beach activities you might be planning anyway — and if you decide to take the time off completely, the setback to your fitness level is easily restored, experts say.

If you decide on the minimalist option, you could bring a mat or towel to the beach and fashion your own yoga practice. You could also pack some lightweight exercise tools such as resistance bands or jump ropes, says Jo Zimmerman, an instructor in the department of kinesiology at the University of Maryland and a longtime trainer. Sue Zimmerman, a certified personal trainer at MAD Fitness in Takoma Park, Md., suggests buying two gallons of water and using them for a simple weightlifting routine.

An even more minimalist option: Use your family. "You have a 5-year-old nephew, you have a barbell," Zimmerman says. "Piggyback rides are great for the legs. Give a piggyback ride while doing squats and you have done some weighted squats."

Most of us, understandably, would prefer to have our back reclining into a beach chair. Many of her clients leave for vacation with the best of intentions, Zimmerman said in an email, but return "saying that they threw in the towel on eating well and exercise."

Yet all is not lost. First, says Rosemary Lindle, an exercise physiologist and an adjunct professor of kinesiology at the University of Maryland, studies show that you can maintain your fitness level even when taking some time off. Second, time off is itself an important part of any training program. "Think of your vacation as an active recovery or cross-training period," she said in an email. "A well-balanced, periodic fitness program, studies show that recovery breaks." On the beach, recovery could include lighter-level activities such as hiking, cycling, swimming, snorkeling, even beach volleyball.

But how well do these activities compare to a more typical exercise routine?

As you might expect, it depends on both the activity and level of effort. An hour of

## Break a sweat at the beach

All calories estimates below are based on an average 150-pound woman and 200-pound man. Numbers based on the accepted Metabolic Equivalent (MET) values from the compendium of physical activities. Activity/calories burned (estimates) for females/males

- 45-minute hike with a daypack: 399/532
- 30 minutes of beach volleyball: 272/364
- 30 minutes of sailing a Sunfish leisurely: 113/150
- 30 minutes of kayaking (moderate effort): 170/227
- 30 minutes of body-surfing waves: 102/136
- 30 minutes of wind surfing (not pumping for speed): 170/227
- 30 minutes of swimming in a bay: 205/272
- 30 minutes of scuba diving: 239/318
- 30 minutes of snorkeling: 170/227

— Source: Jessica Matthews, assistant professor of health and exercise science at Miramar College in San Diego and a certified personal trainer and health coach

## Eat wisely at the shore

- 1 medium steamed, broiled or baked lobster (2.5 pound) w/butter: 342 calories
- 1 cup lobster salad: 189 calories
- Potato chips (1 1/4-ounce bag): 260 calories
- Turkey sandwich with mayo: 329 calories
- One 6-inch funnel cake: 275 calories
- One hamburger w/mayo on bun: 294 calories
- One hot dog with mustard or ketchup on bun: 284 calories
- One 8-ounce beer: 155
- Ice cream sandwich: 148 calories
- One medium peach: 59 calories
- One 1/4-inch slice of double-crusted peach pie: 335 calories

— Source: USDA Food Tracker [choosemyplate.gov/supertracker-tools/supertracker.html](http://choosemyplate.gov/supertracker-tools/supertracker.html)

stand-up paddleboarding, for example, can burn as many as 545 calories, according to Jessica Matthews, a certified personal trainer and health coach and assistant professor of health and exercise science at Miramar College in San Diego who crunched some beach activity numbers. An hour of digging in the sand is almost as good: as many as 454 calories per hour (all numbers quoted here are approximate and for a typical 150-pound woman or 200-pound man).



Yoga offers a cheap and effective beach workout. All you need is a towel or a mat.

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Men can burn about 227 calories snorkeling for 30 minutes while women can burn about 170 calories.

Detroit Free Press

Even lugging all those chairs and buckets to the beach can do you some calorie-burning good (as many as 73 calories burned for every 10 minutes carrying 15 pounds of gear).

And yet that iconic walk on the beach isn't necessarily the best option, says Imrman, especially if brisk walking isn't part of your regular routine. A 30-minute beach walk (at a 3.5 mph pace on flat-packed sand) burns about 147 calories for a woman and about 195 for a man, according to Matthews. That's a decent workout — "better than spending the entire week in a beach chair," Imrman conceded — but a long walk on soft and slanted sand can pose challenges to knees, hips and even shoulders and backs.

And of course be mindful when doing ex-

ercises that seem to go hand-in-hand with eating. Biking to get a soft-serve cone, for example, isn't necessarily a net win: A 30-minute bike ride on a flat beach road burns up to 264 calories, according to Matthews' calculations. But that swirl cone could tip the balance with as many 335 calories, according to the USDA's Food Tracker. A glass of lemonade, at about 100 calories, might be a better way to cool off. Or better yet, stick to water.

Once you're back home, remember to ease back into your routine. "One week is not much time to be off at all," Imrman says. But be sure to warm up and pace yourself. "Foam roll or stretch after the workout and know that in a session or two you can be back to where you were when you left off."

VIDEO GAMES

# A new kind of war game

‘The Sun Also Rises’ looks to inform gamers on ‘complicated, fractal war’ in Afghanistan

By SAM LANEY  
Stars and Stripes

When you think of war in video games, the strongest associations are to the testosterone-filled first-person shooters of the modern era. “Call of Duty,” “Battlefield,” “Counter-Strike” — games that go through great pains to depict the ferocity and excitement of battle, while leaving the emotional consequences out of it (try as they might with the addition of dogs).

If indie game developer Horse Volume gets its way, games might be able to take war storytelling to a new level. Lead developer Ty Underwood sat down with Stars and Stripes for an interview about his project “The Sun Also Rises,” which vows to explore the human interactions and emotional toll of the Global War on Terrorism.

We got Underwood’s thoughts on the current state of mainstream war games, the complications of telling a story about a conflict that’s ongoing, and how a narrative with passive multiplayer could help better reveal the complicated nature of war.

Stars and Stripes: Hello, thanks for joining us. Let’s dive right into the first question that’s going to pop into anyone’s mind when they try to Google this: Why ‘The Sun Also Rises,’ and can you compete [with] the Google index ranking for the Ernest Hemingway novel?

Ty Underwood: (Laughs) The name has interesting thematic connections to some of the same things Hemingway was doing. And also, the sun imagery. We were both interested in the Bible quote that the name originally came from in Ecclesiastes. So so far, if you look up ‘The Sun Also Rises’ trailer, we’re starting to beat out a BBC movie that came out 20 years ago.

What are your thoughts on the way mainstream AA war games present conflict?

Just like there’s room in the world for crappy action movies, I think there’s room in the world for crappy action games. Not crappy in the sense that they’re bad, but their stories are pulpy, and show a very dramatized idea. A little bit of hero worship, a little bit of escapism. That’s fine, but there’s some work to be built on — like ‘Spec. Ops: The Line’ [where] there’s a little bit of bait and switch. It presents itself as the shooter, where it’s brown, kind of action-y, but it kind of pulls the rug out from under you. There’s been a couple of games in the past that kind of do that sort of thing; they comment on how games work. And in a lot of ways, we’re building off that evolution, and taking a more literary push into it.

What we’re trying to do is take the interviews and discussion that we’ve had with people and filter them through this narrative lens and through the lens of academics, and turn it into this engaging story. That’s

the thing that games haven’t done before.

The game’s visual style seems to call back to something like ‘Journey,’ especially the scene of memorials toward the end of the trailer. What’s the idea behind the visual style? How much do you expect it might change?

There’s a really old game called ‘Another World’ that one guy made. [It’s] this interesting sort of vertex, kind of angular game. That was a visual inspiration that was really interesting. As far as the color palette goes, we’re really looking at traditional Afghan and Pakistani art — taking a lot of the textures and vibrant cloth work — and working that into the whole world.

We’re paring down the details of what you see when you play the game because we’re trying to focus on composition and gesture — all these specific ways that people communicate. So getting rid of dirt textures, wall textures and detailed facial features helps it stay more focused.

We like where it is right now, but we aren’t 100 percent sold on every single aspect of it. If the game requires it, we could change any part of it.

Have you found it strange or difficult to tell the story of a war that’s ongoing?

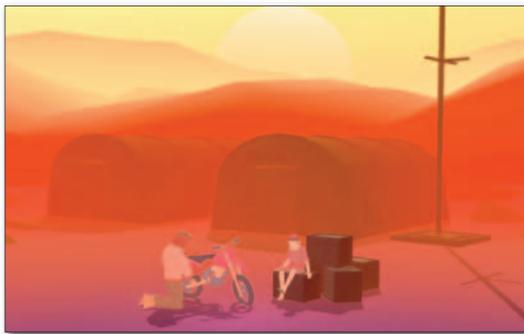
The further we are away from anything in history, the easier it is to focus on the broad strokes. Kind of do what historians call ‘great man history’ — focus on particular players and make it a neat package. Since we’re in the middle of the war right now, it’s far from a neat package. It’s very confusing and complicated. But that allows us to focus on the very tangible individual stories within the conflict — because those have not been lost to time yet.

The game’s main mechanic seems to hark back to something like that of a Telltale game. Is that accurate? What are your main influences on this project when it comes to gameplay?

I’m a big fan of Telltale games, and that kind of (narrative) style goes back to the first ‘Fallout’ game. I want to expand on (those games) by making a dialogue system that doesn’t just present choices.

We’re focusing on something ... that will allow you to interrupt people or not understand somebody or have to talk in gestures instead of speech if you’re not 100 percent on the same language page as other people. Sometimes your gestures are misunderstood from the way that you meant them.

‘Journey’ had a really cool passive multiplayer system, where you just existed with



Photos courtesy of Horse Volume

“The Sun Also Rises” is a multiplayer narrative adventure that explores the Global War on Terrorism through stories based on U.S. soldiers, their families and Afghan people. It focuses on the human struggle and portrays a side of war that’s often overlooked.

other people through your journey. We came up with our own kind of passive multiplayer. When someone plays the game, some of their decisions are saved in the cloud. When the next person plays the game, that changes how people react to them throughout the world and changes their experience.

A good example would be if a woman in Afghanistan has had certain kinds of dealings with soldiers, either good or bad, that’s gonna completely change how she responds to or how she helps the next platoon that walks by. We’re systemizing that a little bit by making it a passive multiplayer where previous people who have played the game kind of haunt the game for you, and you [will haunt] the next person.

Will players know when they’re interacting with a character who has been influenced?

You’ll know sometimes, and sometimes you’ll just wonder if someone else made the game this particular way for you. One of the stories we’re looking at is the life and

work of a CIA analyst in the modern world. A lot of what they do is about tracking different people’s movements and behaviors and communicating that to [soldiers] in the field. There’s a lot of opportunity for confusion and miscommunication.

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‘You’re interviewing war veterans for this project. How do they inform the story? Will there be direct representations of their stories in the game, or will it be used to color a completely fictional world?

There’s a range. Some things that we’ve written into the story have happened to people literally, and some things are more of a coloring. One of the characters is an infantry combat medic from Helmand province, in southern Afghanistan. In that case, we talked to a bunch of people doing that

job in that area, so we have a really good collection of what that experience was like for those guys. That’s a more literal approach in that case.

One guy [we interviewed] wrote fan fiction. We want to take snippets of that and

put those things here and there in the world. Just the interesting things about personalities and things, without betraying their identity or private conversations and things like that.

Tell us about your Kickstarter campaign.

One of the major reasons we’re doing it is so we can do better research and interview people from Afghanistan; for instance, nationalized Afghan interpreters who come over to the U.S. who would be interested in talking to us.

Some people ask us if we’re going to show both sides. It’s not a two-sided thing; it’s a very complicated, fractal thing. We’re looking at getting as many perspectives as we can. That requires a little bit of money to travel and talk to people. And we’re also looking to fund our development in the incubator to get the game done fast and at the highest level of quality that we can.

So we’re looking for people who believe in the project to come and pledge and back us early on.

What’s the game’s development schedule look like?

Right now we’re saying 2015. That’s based on talking to other developers, and it looks like the game could take up to a year, but [will] likely be less than that.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

# Maksim Chmerkovskiy: ‘I just want to win once’

By MOIRA MACDONALD  
*The Seattle Times*

“Dancing has been in us, in people, since the Neanderthal age,” says ballroom champion and longtime “Dancing with the Stars” pro Maksim Chmerkovskiy, on the phone last week. “There’s something about moving, something about interpreting yourself to the music, that’s attractive, that’s interesting, that’s intriguing, and everyone wishes they could do that.”

Chmerkovskiy’s been dancing since he was 4 years old in his native Ukraine, chosen from a class of preschoolers as one with a special talent. He’s touring now, unbuttoned shirts and all, in “Ballroom with a Twist” — a dance/music show featuring “Dancing with the Stars” pros (also Karina Smirnoff, Sharna Burgess and brother Val Chmerkovskiy) as well as performers from “So You Think You Can Dance” and “American Idol.” It’s also, for him, a bit of a farewell tour: Chmerkovskiy, who won the most recent season of “Dancing with the Stars” with Olympic gold-medal-winning ice dancer Meryl Davis (the two danced with a silken perfection), announced last month that he would no longer compete on the show.

“I just don’t want to replace Meryl and this experience with anyone else — it’s so dear to me, so special, so much emotion involved into it,” he said. “There’s nobody out there that I think will come along that I will be able to connect with on this level ... I don’t want to win five, six, seven times. I just want to win once. It couldn’t be more perfect.”

It was a departure that’s been a long time coming — he got tired, he said, of being “misinterpreted,” seeing himself stuck with the label of “bad boy of the ballroom.” The show routinely airs edited montages of rehearsals

footage, at times seeming to choose moments in order to make each cast member fit a role: Chmerkovskiy, early on, was labeled the tempestuous one. “People don’t understand where I come from,” he said, referring to his background on the international ballroom circuit — “the same circuit as any other competition, like golf or tennis.” Chmerkovskiy said he saw himself as a professional athlete, on the show to compete and win, and worked with his partners accordingly.

“I was the last one to understand that this is a TV show, this is there for good times,” he said. “I would try my best to win, I wouldn’t try my best to just smile and walk around. So that was the misunderstanding between me and the show.”

Though he doesn’t rule out returning to “DWTS” as a judge (“Never say never! Anything’s possible,” he said, in an uncharacteristically brief answer during a pleasant, not-at-all-bad-boy interview ... hmm), Chmerkovskiy’s looking forward to other career options. He’s already a co-owner of a chain of five dance studios in the New York/New Jersey area, called Dance With Me, and has launched a line of men’s jewelry and acquired an agent to help him sign acting roles. And, with brother Val and fellow “DWTS” pro Tony Dovolani, he recently put together a one-night New York staging of a show called “SWAY: A Dance Trilogy.”

No matter what, there will be dancing; the

defining activity of his life since very early childhood. Asked if he had any advice for newcomers to the ballroom, he said, “Just go start from scratch and move, in close proximity with somebody else. It’s a beautiful thing. The amount of happiness and joy that dancing brings to you is just — I don’t know any other activity that does that ... So if you have a local dance studio that you can go to, sign up, say that Maks said that I need to be happy and I need to do this and this needs to bring me joy.”



**Maksim Chmerkovskiy, left, and his dance partner, Meryl Davis, won the most recent season of “Dancing with the Stars.” Chmerkovskiy announced last month that he would no longer compete on the show.**

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BOOKS

# 'Graveyard' gloriously graphic

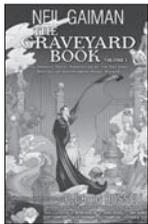
## Gaiman book's adaptation a heavenly pairing of writer, artist

By Andrew A. Smith  
McClatchy-Tribune News Service

**F**ans of "Coraline," "Murder Mysteries" and "Dream Hunters" already know how good a writer Neil Gaiman is. Those familiar with the graphic novel versions also how good an artist P. Craig Russell is.

That successful collaboration continues with "The Graveyard Book," Gaiman's New York Times best-selling and Newbery Medal-winning novel, which Russell is adapting to comics. "The Graveyard Book Volume 1" (of 2) arrived this month from HarperCollins (\$19.99), and it's just as good as its pedigree would suggest.

"Graveyard Book" is the story of Nobody Owens, a child adopted by the inhabitants of a graveyard — and perhaps by the



graveyard itself — after the brutal slaughter of his family by the lethal "Man Jack." Those inhabitants are mostly the spirits of the dead, but they also include Bod's mentor, Silas (a vampire, although the text is somewhat coy on that), the mysterious In-Slayer, digo Man and the dangerous Sleer. Silas and the spirits raise and educate Bod, as he's called, and as long as he remains in

the graveyard he is largely protected, and able to go unseen.

That's important, because the Man Jack — who is working for evil parties unknown, with an agenda that requires Bod's death — hasn't given up his search. Even in the graveyard, Bod isn't completely safe, as he finds when he is snatched through the gateway to the City of Ghouls.

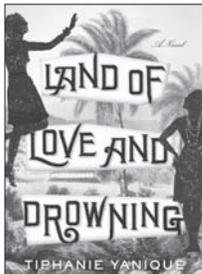
Creepy enough for you? And yet, a story that begins with multiple murders and takes place almost entirely in a haunted graveyard is also a charming coming-of-age tale. It is one of Gaiman's gifts that he can pull off this seamless blend of whimsy and the macabre.

Still, a graphic novel depends greatly on art, so it's fortunate "Graveyard Book" is graced by the presence of Russell. His lyrical, sensuous work is also a seamless mix

of styles, showing influences ranging from Renaissance painting to Burne Hogarth's "Tarzan" comic strip.

Russell doesn't do all the art — it would have taken him "four or five years," he told Publishers Weekly — but he did do the layouts throughout. Then he selected artists that meshed with his own style to do a chapter each, which for the first book includes Stephen B. Scott, Scott Hampton, Tony Harris, Kevin Nowlan, Glen Showman and Jill Thompson. The result is surprisingly smooth.

The only complaint one can imagine with "The Graveyard Book Volume 1" is that it contains only the first five chapters and an interlude. That leaves the reader hanging breathlessly until "Volume 2" arrives in late November. Which wouldn't matter all that much, if it weren't so good.



### Land of Love and Drowning

Tiphanie Yanique

A multigenerational novel set in Yanique's native land of the Virgin Islands, "Love and Drowning" opens just before the U.S. arrives, after purchasing several of the islands from Denmark in 1917. It concludes in the 1970s.

The coming of the Americans — and the ensuing arrival of the tourists — will change everything. The newcomers snap up prime real estate and privatize beaches, increasingly isolating themselves from the native population — except when they want a dose of local color as a backdrop. Meanwhile, islanders are shipped off to war, experiencing Jim Crow firsthand in Louisiana — decades before their kids watch Birmingham and Selma on television.

But while Yanique's novel keeps half an eye on these troublesome outsiders, its focus and energies are found elsewhere, as multiple narrators spin alternative histories rather than blandly accepting those being imposed. "Nothing ever happens just so," the book's most compelling character, Anette, tells us. "It must be story." One might not be able to escape the past. But one can learn to read and tell its slant.

— Mike Fischer  
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel



### The String Diaries

Stephen Lloyd Jones

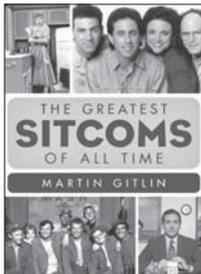
"The String Diaries" is hard to discuss without revealing too much. This is a book of authorial wizardry, as Jones hopscotches among three time periods and locales (late 1800s Hungary; 1970s France and England; and present-day Snowdonia, in northern Wales) with grace, wit and dexterity.

"The String Diaries" involves a partially human creature who develops a lust for a certain human woman and ends up pursuing her look-alike descendants through the centuries. How he does that is a marvel, a new take on a genre that one would have thought completely bled dry of new ideas by now.

As to Jones' immense credit that, like the best authors of psychologically rich horror (Anne Rice and Glen Duncan come to mind), he resists taking the easy way out and making his villain one-dimensionally pure evil. Jakab inspires both pity and empathy, even as we despise his actions and fear for his victims.

Finally, Jones displays a rare gift for writing about children, fully developing them in what's an essentially adult story. One of the children, in fact, gets set up as the possible protagonist for a sequel. Here's hoping.

— Joy Tipping  
The Dallas Morning News



### The Greatest Sitcoms of All Time

Martin Gitlin

It's one thing to argue whether "Seinfeld" is the greatest sitcom ever, as Gitlin claims. You might even want to battle over his top five, which includes "All in the Family," "M\*A\*S\*H," "I Love Lucy" and "The Mary Tyler Moore Show."

But how do you argue whether "The Flintstones" is 70th-best?

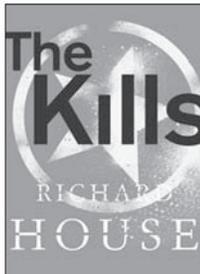
In the book "The Greatest Sitcoms of All Time," Gitlin does indeed list the top 70 along with descriptions, bits of dialogue, awards won and other information on the top shows. He gives some also-rans a line here and there, for example by noting the 10 shows from each of six TV decades that were good in their time, but not in the top 70, there are also lists of funniest characters and best spivots.

In Gitlin's view, one sitcom — which he ranked No. 2 — changed comedy entirely.

"Every sitcom that I have in the book had to be judged as pre-'All in the Family' or post-'All in the Family,'" he said.

Gitlin established a set of criteria for inclusion, among them the show's impact, how long it originally ran, ratings, awards, how funny a show was and whether it is still respected.

— Rich Heldenfels  
Akron Beacon Journal



### The Kills

Richard House

If you'd like to immerse yourself in a novel during your August vacation, and if you're skeptical of a world in which private contractors get away with dirty deeds outside the reach of the law, let me introduce you to Richard House's "The Kills."

Published in England in 2013 and long-listed for the Man Booker Prize, "The Kills" is an interlocking set of four novels under a single cover. It centers on a Brit named John Jacob Ford, who has taken a contract in Iraq for a shady multinational. On virtually a moment's notice, Suter is directed to disappear — a multimillion-dollar swindle is about to be exposed, and in return for taking the public fall and going underground, Suter/Ford will be rewarded with hefty cash in a bank account. His escape, his difficulties trying to access the account, and an intense, multinational hunt for him drive much of the action.

Forgo about the fog of war, "The Kills" reeks of the filth of war.

"The Kills" has the world-weary, deadpan tone of spy novelist John le Carré, and a sense of the world falling apart that author Roberto Bolano might have approved of.

— Jim Higgins  
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel



### A Spy Among Friends

Ben Macintyre

A lot of spy novels would have you believe that espionage is all about elite globe-trotting adventures laced with fog booze and cool toys. But this nonfiction book's most intense scene is prose — two old friends, middle-aged English gentlemen who came up as spies through British intelligence, share a cup of tea while "lying courteously to each other" in a Beirut apartment in 1963. Some authors would turn that moment into literary Ambien. But here, it hums.

One of those men was H.A.R. "Kim" Philby, perhaps the most notorious double agent ever. For almost three decades, beginning in the mid-1930s, this upper-class Englishman worked as a spy in British intelligence, passing information to Moscow that would cost the lives of hundreds, if not thousands, while crippling British and American intelligence operations.

The other man having tea in that Beirut apartment was Nicholas Elliott, and about the only thing he didn't have in common with Philby was his allegiance.

Philby's story has been covered before. Macintyre's aim here is to describe instead the "very British relationship" between these two men. He succeeds admirably.

— John Willwol/Newsday

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BUSINESS/WEATHER

# Three-wheeled Elio nearing production

By DEE-ANN DURBIN  
The Associated Press

ROYAL OAK, Mich. — Your next commuter car could have two seats and three wheels and could get 84 miles per gallon.

Elio Motors wants to revolutionize U.S. roads with its tiny car, which is the same length as a Honda Fit but half the weight. With a starting price of \$6,800, it's also less than half the cost.

Phoenix-based Elio plans to start making the cars next fall at a former General Motors plant in Shreveport, La. Already, more than 27,000 people have reserved them. Elio hopes to make 250,000 cars per year by 2016. That's close to the number Mazda sells in the U.S.

Because it has three wheels — two in front and one in the rear — the Elio is actually classified as a motorcycle by the U.S. government. But Elio Motors founder Paul Elio said the vehicle has all the safety features of a car, like



PAUL SANCTA/AP

The Elio, a three-wheeled prototype vehicle, drives in traffic Thursday in Royal Oak, Mich.

anti-lock brakes, front and side air bags and a steel cage that surrounds the occupants. Drivers won't be required to wear helmets or have motorcycle licenses.

The Elio's two seats sit front and back instead of side by side, so the driver is positioned in the center with the passenger directly behind. That arrangement, plus the low seating position — the Elio is just 54 inches tall — and the lack of power steering take a little getting used to.

But after a couple of spins around the block in this Detroit suburb, it felt like any other small car. That's partly because its two front wheels stick out by a foot on both sides, aiding balance and preventing the vehicle from tipping. The Elio has a three-cylinder, 0.9-liter engine and a top speed of more than 100 miles per hour. It gets an estimated 84 mpg on the highway and 49 mpg in city driving.

Elio keeps the costs down in

several ways. The car only has one door, on the left side, which shaves a few hundred dollars off the manufacturing costs. Having three wheels also makes it cheaper. It will be offered in just two configurations — with a manual or automatic transmission — and it has standard air conditioning, power windows and door locks and an AM/FM radio. More features, such as navigation or blind-spot detection, can be ordered through Elio's long list of suppliers.

EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Euro costs (Aug. 18)	\$1.3736
Dollar buys (Aug. 18)	€0.7280
British pound (Aug. 18)	\$1.71
Japanese yen (Aug. 18)	100.00
South Korean won (Aug. 18)	999.00

Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3771
British pound	\$1.6695/0.5990
Canada (dollar)	1.0870
China (Yuan)	6.1475
Denmark (Krone)	5.9679
Egypt (Pound)	2.1515
Euro	\$1.3390/0.7468
Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.7504
Hungary (Forint)	233.44
Israel (Shekel)	3.4875
Japan (Yen)	100.00
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2833
Norway (Krone)	6.1260
Philippines (Peso)	43.69
Poland (Zloty)	3.12
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.7208
Singapore (Dollar)	1.2447
South Korea (Won)	1,023.40
Switzerland (Franc)	0.9045
Thailand (Baht)	31.88
Turkey (New Lira)	1.6161

(Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. For nonlocal currency exchange rates (i.e., purchasing British pounds in Germany), check with your local military banking facility. Commercial rates are interbank rates provided for reference when buying currency. All figures are foreign currencies to one unit, except for the United Kingdom, which is represented in dollars-to-pound, and the euro, which is dollars-to-euro.)

MARKET WATCH

Aug. 14, 2014

Dow Jones Industrials	+61.78
	16,713.58
Nasdaq composite	+18.88
	4,453.00
Standard & Poor's 500	+8.46
	1,955.18
Russell 2000	+1.56
	1,143.34

INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	3.25
Discount rate	8.25
Federal funds market rate	0.09
3-month bill	0.03
30-year bond	3.19

## WEATHER OUTLOOK

### SATURDAY IN THE MIDDLE EAST



### SATURDAY IN EUROPE



### SUNDAY IN THE PACIFIC



The weather is provided by the American Forces Network Weather Center, 2nd Weather Squadron at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

Saturday's US temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	Chatanooga	90	63	Pcldy	Fort Wayne	81	55	Cldy	Louisville	87	63	Pcldy	Pocatello	85	55	Cir	Slous City	80	67	Rain
Ablene, Tex	100	75	Pcldy	Cheyenne	85	56	Cir	Ford	99	69	Cir	Lubbock	95	70	Pcldy	Portland, Maine	77	55	Pcldy	Siox Falls	80	66	Cldy
Akron, Ohio	78	51	Pcldy	Chicago	83	64	Cldy	Goodland	93	61	Pcldy	Macon	94	66	Cir	Portland, Ore.	81	58	Cir	South Bend	81	59	Cldy
Albany, N.Y.	95	66	Pcldy	Cincinnati	83	56	Cldy	Grand Junction	89	62	Cir	Madison	82	62	Cldy	Providence	80	59	Cir	Spokane	83	62	Cldy
Albuquerque	92	66	Pcldy	Cleveland	80	54	Pcldy	Grand Rapids	81	57	Cldy	Medford	93	60	Cir	Pueblo	93	61	Pcldy	Springfield, Ill.	82	67	Cldy
Allentown, Pa.	81	50	Cir	Colorado Springs	86	59	Pcldy	Great Falls	82	57	Cldy	Memphis	92	69	Pcldy	Raleigh-Durham	89	63	Pcldy	Springfield, Mo.	90	70	Pcldy
Amarillo	95	66	Pcldy	Columbia, S.C.	94	69	Pcldy	Green Bay	82	61	Pcldy	Miami Beach	92	75	Cldy	Reno	91	58	Cir	Tampa	86	62	Pcldy
Anchorage	61	51	Cldy	Columbus, Ga.	93	69	Cir	Greensboro, N.C.	86	62	Pcldy	Midland-Odessa	98	73	Cldy	Roanoke	84	56	Cir	Tallahassee	96	73	Pcldy
Ashville	82	59	Pcldy	Columbus, Ohio	81	54	Pcldy	Hartford	89	63	Pcldy	Milwaukee	79	63	Pcldy	Richmond	86	62	Pcldy	Tampa	90	77	Rain
Atlanta	90	69	Cir	Concord, N.H.	80	49	Pcldy	Hartford Springfield	81	53	Pcldy	Mpls-St Paul	86	69	Pcldy	Rockford	82	64	Pcldy	Tucson	97	74	Pcldy
Atlantic City	84	55	Pcldy	Corpus Christi	88	79	Cir	Helena	84	56	Pcldy	Missoula	82	53	Pcldy	Rochester	76	54	Pcldy	Topeka	91	72	Pcldy
Austin	78	75	Pcldy	Dallas-Ft. Worth	101	77	Pcldy	Honolulu	93	75	Cir	Mobile	93	75	Pcldy	Rockford	82	64	Pcldy	Tulsa	97	74	Pcldy
Baltimore	82	57	Cir	Dayton	81	52	Pcldy	Houston	96	77	Pcldy	Montgomery	94	68	Cir	Sacramento	90	60	Cir	Tucson	99	77	Pcldy
Baton Rouge	93	72	Pcldy	Daytona Beach	93	75	Cldy	Huntsville	92	62	Pcldy	Nashville	93	64	Pcldy	St. Louis	89	72	Cldy	Tulsa	93	65	Cir
Bilings	88	60	Pcldy	Denver	98	59	Pcldy	Indianapolis	84	58	Pcldy	New Orleans	91	75	Pcldy	St. Petersburg	90	80	Rain	Washington	100	75	Pcldy
Birmingham	92	66	Cir	Des Moines	81	69	Rain	Jackson, Miss.	94	65	Cir	New York City	80	61	Pcldy	St. Thomas	90	69	Pcldy	Waco	93	59	Cir
Bismarck	81	65	Cldy	Detroit	80	57	Cldy	Jacksonville	92	74	Pcldy	Newark	86	60	Pcldy	Salem, Ore.	84	55	Cir	W. Palm Beach	91	77	Cldy
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Boston	79	61	Pcldy	El Paso	95	73	Cir	Kansas City	91	70	Pcldy	North Platte	90	63	Pcldy	San Diego	103	74	Pcldy	Wichita Falls	99	75	Pcldy
Bridgport	85	55	Pcldy	Elkins	79	48	Cir	New York	81	61	Pcldy	Oklahoma City	88	73	Pcldy	San Antonio	100	77	Pcldy	Wichita Falls	99	75	Pcldy
Brownsville	96	80	Pcldy	Erie	75	55	Pcldy	Knoxville	88	61	Pcldy	Omaha	82	66	Cir	San Diego	78	70	Cir	Wilkes-Barre	77	50	Cir
Buffalo	74	55	Rain	Eugene	87	53	Cir	Lake Charles	92	76	Pcldy	Orlando	94	76	Cir	San Francisco	75	60	Pcldy	Wilmington, Del.	84	55	Pcldy
Burlington, Vt.	70	51	Cldy	Evansville	86	64	Cldy	Lansing	80	55	Cldy	Paducah	89	65	Pcldy	San Jose	81	61	Cir	Youngstown	87	62	Cir
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Charleston, W.Va.	83	54	Pcldy	Flint	79	55	Cldy	Little Rock	92	68	Pcldy	Phoenix	106	86	Cir	Seattle	77	61	Cir				
Charlotte, N.C.	88	67	Pcldy	Fort Smith	96	70	Pcldy	Los Angeles	85	66	Cir	Pittsburgh	78	48	Pcldy	Shreveport	95	73	Pcldy				

National temperature extremes  
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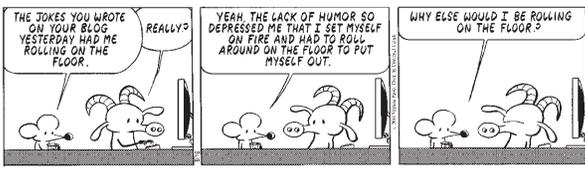
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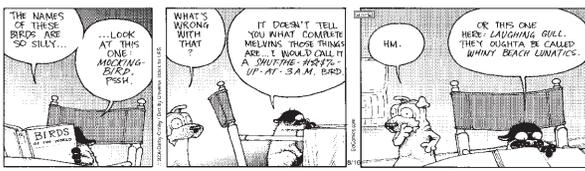
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Candorville



Get Fuzzy



Doonesbury



Fort Knox



### Eugene Sheffer Crossword

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#### ACROSS

- 1 Serengeti equine
- 6 On — of (for)
- 12 Allergy cause
- 13 Tax cheat
- 14 Beethoven piece
- 15 "Shoo!"
- 16 Desire
- 17 Singer Campbell
- 19 Spacecraft compartment
- 20 Nil
- 22 Body art, for short
- 24 — carts
- 27 Seductress
- 29 Laugh-a-minute sort
- 32 Neil Diamond song
- 35 Crosby's pal
- 36 Mystery writer
- 37 Profit
- 38 Conclusion
- 40 Array at the eye doctor's
- 42 — culpa
- 44 Loosen
- 46 N. Mex. neighbor
- 50 Out of the storm
- 52 Split
- 54 Strains
- 55 De-ceased?
- 56 Least normal
- 57 Casino supply

#### DOWN

- 1 Author — Neale Hurston
- 2 Carolina college
- 3 Intense media campaign
- 4 Fun and games
- 5 William Hopper and Philip Marlowe, e.g.
- 6 Actress Neuwirth
- 7 Occurrence
- 8 Crone
- 9 Pet shelter deal
- 10 Fallow's predecessor
- 11 Pebbles' dad
- 12 Churchiller's place
- 18 Winding street in San Francisco
- 21 Leading lady?
- 23 Upper limb
- 24 Bontfire residue
- 25 Zodiac cat
- 26 Pacified
- 28 Happening at intervals
- 30 Raw rock
- 31 Stick with a kick
- 33 X rating?
- 34 Aries
- 36 Actress Neuwirth
- 39 Guys
- 41 Taste
- 42 Japanese soup
- 43 Writer Bagnold
- 45 Egg container
- 47 Orange cat
- 48 Midmonth date
- 49 Londoner's letter
- 51 "— got it!"
- 53 401(k) alternative

#### Answer to Previous Puzzle

F	L	O	P	R	A	M	D	A	Y	S
L	A	P	H	U	L	A	O	L	E	O
E	V	A	M	A	R	I	E	Z	E	S
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8-16 CRYPTOQUIP

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 NMSUW NBY MZB GXMYKRYF  
 MZWPYK XUB FZRAA PGRYP

E Z W E M Y B A M Y F P M F B .  
 Yesterday's Cryptquip: WHAT COULD YOU CALL THE PERIOD RIGHT BEFORE SOMEBODY SOWS SOME PLANTS? THE PRE-SEEDING DAY.  
 Today's Cryptquip Clue: X equals T

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## Pro soccer

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
W	L	T	Pts	GF/GA
Sporting KC	11	6	39	32/22
Real Salt Lake	9	9	29	36/27
Toronto FC	9	7	35	32/30
New York Red Bulls	6	7	18	28/34
Columbus	6	8	9	27/31
New England	6	8	9	29/35
Chicago	4	5	13	25/34
Houston	3	13	9	23/42
Montreal	2	14	14	21/41

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
W	L	T	Pts	GF/GA
Seattle	13	6	21	41/27
Portland	10	9	29	36/32
FC Dallas	10	7	30	36/32
San Jose	7	4	11	33/29
Los Angeles	8	9	6	24/32
Portland	6	8	6	24/25
San Jose	6	8	6	24/25
Chicago	5	10	9	23/35

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

**Wednesday, Aug. 6**  
MLS All-Star 2; Bayern Munich 1  
**Friday, Aug. 8**  
Los Angeles 2, San Jose 2, tie  
FC Dallas at San Jose  
Philadelphia 2, Montreal 1  
Toronto FC 3, Columbus 2  
FC Dallas 3, Colorado  
Real Salt Lake 3, D.C. United 0  
Chicago 1, New York 1  
**Sunday, Aug. 10**  
Real Salt Lake vs. D.C. United  
Seattle FC vs. Houston  
Vancouver 2, Sporting Kansas City 0  
Seattle FC vs. Houston  
**Friday, Aug. 8**  
Philadelphia at Houston  
**Saturday, Aug. 9**  
Seattle FC at Real Salt Lake  
Portland at Montreal  
Los Angeles at Columbus  
Portland at New England  
Toronto FC at Sporting Kansas City  
Vancouver at Chivas USA  
FC Dallas at San Jose  
**Sunday, Aug. 10**  
Colorado at D.C. United

## NWSL

W	L	T	Pts	GF/GA
Seattle	10	7	54	69/32
FC Kansas City	12	7	51	41/31
Portland	10	7	51	49/32
Chicago	9	7	34	29/23
Portland	7	8	28	28/37
San Diego FC	7	8	28	28/37
Western New York	8	12	27	39/35
Portland	5	16	21	33/53
Boston	5	16	21	33/53

Three points for victory, one point for tie.

**Wednesday's games**  
Sky Blue FC 3, Western New York 2  
Chicago 2, Boston 0  
**Thursday's games**  
Sky Blue FC at Washington  
Portland at Chicago  
**Sunday's games**  
Seattle FC at Portland  
Houston at Boston

## AP spotlight

**1920** — Cleveland shortstop Ray Chapman is hit in the head by a pitch from New York's Carl Mays. Chapman survives a fractured skull and dies the next day. It's the only field fatality in major league history.

**1924** — Helen Wills Moody beats Molla Bursztadter Maloney, aged 61, 8-3, to win second straight straight set in the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association championship.

**1954** — The first Sports Illustrated magazine issues with a cover story that, the scene on the cover was a game at Milwaukee's County Stadium. Eddie Brown of Brown was swinging at the bat. Wes Westrum catching and Augie Donning hitting.

**1989** — Tom Flores pitches his third no-hitter of the season for the San Francisco team, leading the Canadians over Las Vegas 5-0 in a seven-inning, first game of a doubleheader. It was the first no-hitter in a seven-inning first pitcher in the history of the major leagues with two no-hitters in a year.

**1993** — Nick Faldo holds off a comeback bid by Nick Faldo with a 1-under-70 in the final round and captures his first major title with a three-shot victory in the PGA national championship.

**2009** — Yang Dong-hyun becomes the first Asian player to win one of the four majors. He won the 2009 Tiger Woods at the PGA Championship. Yang shoots a 2-under-70 and finishes at 8 under 280 and Woods, who led by two strokes when the day began, finishes with a 75.

## Pro football

NFL preseason AMERICAN CONFERENCE				
W	E	L	Pct	Pf PA
N.Y. Jets	1	0	1.000	13 10
Buffalo	1	0	.500	33 35
Jacksonville	1	0	.500	39 41
New England	0	0	.000	6 23

NFL preseason NATIONAL CONFERENCE				
W	E	L	Pct	Pf PA
Tennessee	1	0	1.000	20 16
Jacksonville	1	0	.500	30 32
Houston	1	0	.500	30 32
Indianapolis	0	0	.000	10 13

NFL preseason NATIONAL CONFERENCE				
W	E	L	Pct	Pf PA
Baltimore	0	1	.000	23 3
Washington	0	1	.000	39 41
Cleveland	0	1	.000	12 13
Pittsburgh	0	1	.000	16 20

NFL preseason NATIONAL CONFERENCE				
W	E	L	Pct	Pf PA
Denver	0	1	.000	21 16
Kansas City	0	1	.000	41 39
San Diego	0	1	.000	27 27
Oakland	0	1	.000	6 10

NFL preseason NATIONAL CONFERENCE				
W	E	L	Pct	Pf PA
N.Y. Giants	2	0	1.000	37 29
Washington	2	0	1.000	39 41
Dallas	1	0	.500	7 27
Philadelphia	1	0	.500	28 34

NFL preseason NATIONAL CONFERENCE				
W	E	L	Pct	Pf PA
Atlanta	1	0	1.000	16 10
New Orleans	1	0	.500	16 24
Carolina	1	0	.500	18 20
Tampa Bay	1	0	.500	18 20

## Youth baseball

Little League World Series				
W	L	T	Pts	GF/GA
South Williamsport, Pa.	10	0	50	69/32
United States	9	1	47	62/42

**GREAT LAKES, Chicago:** MID-ATLANTIC, Philadelphia; MIDWEST, Rapid City, S.D.; NEW ENGLAND, Cumberland, R.I.; PACIFIC, Lynnwood, B.C., Canada; SOUTH-EAST, Nashville, Tenn.; SOUTHWEST, Pecos, N.M.

**INTERNATIONAL**  
Double Elimination, Thursday, Aug. 14  
Houma 10, Bro 3  
Chicago 12, Lynnwood 2, 5 innings  
Seoul 16, Perth 3, 1 innings  
Chicago 12, Rapid City 2

**Friday, Aug. 15**  
Game 5: Vancouver vs. Quadajule  
Game 6: Philadelphia vs. Nashville  
Game 7: Tokyo vs. Maracabo  
Game 8: Rensselaer vs. Cumberland

**Saturday, Aug. 16**  
Game 9: Reno vs. Perth  
Game 10: Lynnwood vs. Rapid City  
Game 11: Loser G5 vs. Loser G8  
Game 12: Winner G5 vs. Winner G8

**Sunday, Aug. 17**  
Game 13: Seoul vs. Las Vegas  
Game 14: Chicago vs. Las Vegas  
Game 15: Winner G9 vs. Winner G7  
Game 16: Winner G6 vs. Winner G8

**Monday, Aug. 18**  
Loser G9 vs. Loser G10  
Game 17: Winner G9 vs. Loser G15  
Game 18: Winner G10 vs. Loser G14  
Game 19: Winner G11 vs. Loser G13  
Game 20: Winner G12 vs. Loser G15

**Tuesday, Aug. 19**  
Loser G11 vs. Loser G12  
Game 21: Winner G13 vs. Winner G11  
Game 22: Winner G18 vs. Winner G20  
Game 23: Winner G14 vs. Winner G15  
Game 24: Winner G13 vs. Winner G15  
Game 25: Winner G12 vs. Winner G15

**Thursday, Aug. 21**  
Game 26: Winner G21 vs. Loser G23  
Game 27: Winner G22 vs. Loser G24  
Game 28: Winner G23 vs. Winner G26

**Friday, Aug. 22**  
Game 29: Winner G24 vs. Winner G26  
Game 30: Winner G25 vs. Winner G26

**Saturday, Aug. 23**  
Game 31: Winner G27 vs. Winner G26  
Game 32: Winner G24 vs. Winner G26

**Sunday, Aug. 24**  
Game 33: Winner G27 vs. Winner G26  
Game 34: Winner G27 vs. Winner G26

## College football

FCS Coaches poll				
Rank	Team	W	L	Pct
1	North Dakota State (1)	15	0	1.000
2	Eastern Washington (6)	13	0	.923
3	Southeastern La. (1)	11	0	.542
4	Chattanooga	10	0	.500
5	Montana	10	0	.500
6	Coastal Carolina	12	4	.750
7	Towson	12	4	.750
8	Jacksonville State	12	4	.750
9	Delaware State	12	4	.750
10	South Dakota State	9	5	.324
11	Eastern Illinois	12	5	.706
12	Fordham	12	6	.667
13	Villanova	9	6	.600
14	North Carolina	9	6	.600
15	Northern Iowa	7	5	.583
16	Chattanooga	10	4	.706
17	Tennessee State	10	4	.706
18	Sturman	8	6	.571
19	Montana State	7	5	.583
20	Maine	10	3	.769
21	Youngstown State	9	4	.692
22	William & Mary	7	5	.583
23	North Carolina	10	3	.769
24	Richmond	6	6	.500
25	Northern Arizona	8	6	.571

TSN FCS poll				
Rank	Team	W	L	Pct
1	Eastern Washington (82)	13	0	.857
2	North Dakota State (62)	11	0	.692
3	Southeastern Louisiana (2)	11	0	.300
4	New Hampshire (1)	10	0	.600
5	Montana	10	0	.600
6	Jacksonville State (1)	10	2	.833
7	Coastal Carolina	11	2	.846
8	McNeese State	10	2	.833
9	Delaware State (1)	10	2	.833
10	South Dakota State	9	5	.643
11	Fordham	12	3	.769
12	Villanova	9	4	.692
13	Towson	8	3	.727
14	Chattanooga	10	4	.714
15	Tennessee State	10	4	.714
16	Sturman	8	4	.667
17	San Houston State	7	5	.583
18	Montana State	7	5	.583
19	William & Mary	7	5	.583
20	Richmond	6	6	.500
21	Bethune-Cookman	10	4	.714
22	Northern Arizona	8	4	.667
23	Youngstown State	8	4	.667
24	Maine	10	3	.769

**Other receiving votes:** Samford 95, Harvard 42, Charleston Southern 39, James Madison 35, Princeton 24, Southern Utah 20, Alcorn State 19, Sacred Heart 15, South Carolina State 15, La Poly 14, Missouri State 12, Sacred Heart 10, Wake Forest 8, Central Arkansas 7, Alabama State 6, Lehigh 6, Eastern Kentucky 4, Holy Cross 1, North Carolina A-T, Jacksonville State.

## Golf

Wyndham Championship				
Player	Score	Par	Strokes	Finish
Camilo Villegas	31-32-63	-7	106	1
William McGirt	34-31-64	-6	109	2
Andrew Simpson	34-31-65	-5	110	3
Scott Langley	34-31-65	-5	110	4
Martin Laird	31-34-65	-5	110	5
Paul Casey	34-31-65	-5	110	6
Heath Sticum	34-31-65	-5	110	7
Ben Curtis	34-31-65	-5	110	8
Ryuji Imada	33-33-66	-4	113	9
Justin Rose	33-33-66	-4	113	10
Jonathan Wagner	33-33-66	-4	113	11
Ricky Barnes	33-33-66	-4	113	12
Brand Snedden	33-33-66	-4	113	13
Steve Marino	33-33-66	-4	113	14
Justin Rose	34-33-67	-3	114	15
Steven Bowditch	33-33-66	-4	113	16
Robert Allenby	31-35-66	-4	113	17
Adam Scott	33-33-66	-4	113	18
David Lingmerth	32-35-67	-3	114	19
Peter Dinklage	34-33-67	-3	114	20
Nick Watney	34-33-67	-3	114	21
Justin Rose	34-33-67	-3	114	22
David Tom	34-33-67	-3	114	23
Jonathan Vegas	32-35-67	-3	114	24
Andrew Symonds	33-33-67	-3	114	25
Patrick Reid	32-35-67	-3	114	26
Justin Rose	34-33-67	-3	114	27
Tim Petros	33-34-67	-3	114	28
Justin Rose	33-34-67	-3	114	29
Bo Van Pelt	33-34-67	-3	114	30
D.A. Points	31-36-67	-3	114	31
Matt Bettencourt	31-36-67	-3	114	32

## Tennis

Western & Southern Open A U.S. Open Series event				
Player	Score	Par	Strokes	Finish
Stan Wawrinka (2)	6-3	6-1	12	1
Marin Cilic (4)	6-3	6-0	12	2
Samuel Groth (1)	6-3	6-1	12	3
Jerzy Janowicz, Poland	7-5	6-1	14	4
Andy Murray (6)	6-3	6-1	12	5
John Isner (11)	6-3	6-1	12	6
Fabio Fognini (15)	Spain, def. Yen-Hsun Lu	6-3	6-3	7
Tommy Robredo (16)	Spain, def. Novak Djokovic (1)	6-3	6-3	8
Milos Raonic (5)	Canada, def. Steve Johnson	6-3	6-3	9
Roger Federer (2)	Switzerland, def. Gael Monfils	6-3	6-3	10
David Ferrer (6)	Spain, def. Mikhail Youzhny	7-5	6-3	11

Western & Southern Open A U.S. Open Series event				
Player	Score	Par	Strokes	Finish
Sifona Halep (2)	Romania, def. Lucie Safarova (1)	6-2	6-2	1
Simona Halep (2)	Romania, def. Lucie Safarova (1)	6-2	6-2	2
Flavia Pennetta (13)	Italy, def. Carla Suarez Navarro (15)	Spain	6-4	6-2
Jelena Jankovic (8)	Serbia, def. Sloane Stephens	United States	7-6	6-4
Maria Sharapova (5)	Russia, def. Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova	Russia	6-4	6-2
Ana Ivanovic (3)	Serbia, def. Svetlana Kuznetsov	Russia	2-6	6-3
Agnieszka Radwanska (4)	Poland, def. Sabine Lisicki	United States	2-6	6-3
Carolina Wozniacki (12)	Denmark, def. Angelique Kerber	Germany	7-5	6-2

Western & Southern Open A U.S. Open Series event				
Player	Score	Par	Strokes	Finish
Alexander Peya	Austria, and Bruno Soares (2)	Brazil	6-3	6-3
Adrian Panatta	Italy, def. Santiago Gonzalez	Mexico	7-6	6-3
Robert Anderson	San Querrey, United States, def. David Marrero	Fernando Verdasola	6-3	6-3
Bob Bryan	United States, and Mike Bryan (1)	United States, def. Eric Buter	6-3	6-3
South Africa	6-1, 6-4			

Wegmans Championship				
Player	Score	Par	Strokes	Finish
Anabel Medina Garrigues	Spain, and Yaroslava Shvedko	Kazakhstan	6-3	6-3
Carla Suarez Navarro	Zimbabwe, and Sania Mirza (4)	India	6-3	6-3
Alla Kudryavtseva				

## SPORTS BRIEFS/AUTO RACING

## Briefly

## Cousins injures knee in practice

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — DeMarcus Cousins had a big bag of ice on his right knee while he watched the end of practice Thursday. He briefly covered his face with a towel as trainers milled around his table next to the folded gym bleachers.

Just making it to the World Cup of Basketball is proving to be quite a chore for the U.S. national team. Cousins was injured when he tangled with Anthony Davis after both big men hit the floor during practice. An MRI on Cousins' knee showed no structural damage.

The test result for Cousins was a breath of fresh air for a U.S. team still recovering from the gruesome injury to Paul George.

In other NBA news:

■ Sim Bhullar has signed a contract to join the Sacramento Kings in training camp, becoming the first player of Indian descent to ink a deal with an NBA team.

The 7-foot-5, 360-pound center was born in Toronto and played two seasons for New Mexico State, where he averaged 10.2 points, 7.2 rebounds and 2.9 blocks to lead the Aggies to back-to-back NCAA tournaments.

Kings owner Vivek Ranadive, the league's first Indian-born majority owner, says in a statement he's "long believed India is the next great frontier for the NBA."

## San Francisco saying goodbye to Candlestick

SAN FRANCISCO — San Francisco said goodbye Thursday to Candlestick Park — the stadium where the city's beloved Giants and 49ers celebrated some of their greatest triumphs.

The Stick, as it is known, opened more than 50 years ago

and served as the home field for the 49ers and Giants.

The Giants played their last game at Candlestick in September 1999. The 49ers will play at a new stadium about 45 miles south starting this year.

In other NFL news:

■ A person familiar with the situation says Kansas City Chiefs receiver Dwayne Bowe is expected to be suspended for the season opener against Tennessee after his arrest for marijuana possession.

■ Jacksonville Jaguars right tackle Austin Pasztor says he broke his hand in Thursday night's preseason loss at Chicago. Pasztor says he fractured the fourth metatarsal in his right hand and has no timetable for his return.

■ Prosecutors in Miami have dropped battery and disorderly conduct charges against St. Louis Rams linebacker Jo-Lonn Dunbar in a fight outside a South Beach nightclub.

## Red Wings sign GM Holland to 4-year deal

DETROIT — The Detroit Red Wings have signed executive vice president and general manager Ken Holland to a four-year contract through the 2017-18 season.

Holland has been Detroit's GM for the last 17 seasons, and since he took over in July 1997, his teams have won more regular-season games (746) and postseason games (115) than any other organization. The Red Wings won Stanley Cups in 1998, 2002 and 2008 — and another in 1997 while he was an assistant GM.

Holland has been with the Red Wings in some capacity for the last 31 seasons. He was a player and a scout before joining management.



MIKE GROLL/AP

A Kevin Ward Jr. racing sticker is displayed on a vehicle outside South Lewis Central School after his funeral on Thursday in Turin, N.Y. Ward died after being struck by NASCAR driver Tony Stewart's car during a race last weekend at a dirt track in western New York.

## Frood: Stewart is grieving

No timetable for NASCAR driver to return to racing

BY NOAH TRISTER

The Associated Press

BROOKLYN, Mich. — Tony Stewart is skipping a second straight Sprint Cup race, and it is not clear when the NASCAR star might return after he struck and killed a driver at a dirt-track race in New York last weekend.

"This decision was Tony's," said Brett Frood, executive vice president of Stewart-Haas Racing. "An emotional week for him. He's grieving — made the decision he's not ready to get in the race car and will take it week by week."

Jeff Burton will drive the No. 14 car in Stewart's place in Sunday's Cup race at Michigan International Speedway. Frood says they haven't discussed any other races.

Last Saturday during a sprint car race in Canandaigua, N.Y., Stewart appeared to clip Kevin Ward Jr.'s car, sending it spinning. Ward left the car during the caution period, walked down the track and was hit by Stewart's car. His funeral was Thursday.

Stewart could face criminal charges. Frood said Friday that Stewart was surrounded by his closest friends and family, although he didn't say where.

Defending Cup champion Jimmie Johnson said he's tried to contact Stewart but hasn't heard back.

"I'd imagine there's still a lot going on, and I'd assume he's being advised to keep comments to a minimum right now with all the legal things that are out there pending," Johnson said. "As much as I'm concerned for Tony and his well-being, the pain and sorrow that the Ward family and friends are going through — it's such a



BRIAN SMITH, THE JACKSON CITIZEN PATRIOT/AP

Stewart-Haas Racing executive vice president Brett Frood, left, crew chief Greg Zipadelli, center, and driver Jeff Burton are shown during a news conference at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, Mich., on Friday. Tony Stewart will not race Sunday at Michigan International Speedway, skipping a second straight NASCAR Sprint Cup race since striking and killing a driver in a dirt-track race at a small New York track. Jeff Burton will drive Stewart's No. 14 Chevrolet in Michigan.

sad, sad set of circumstances."

Burton, who made his Cup debut in 1993, has been making the transition to the broadcast booth, but he's ready to help SHR in Stewart's absence.

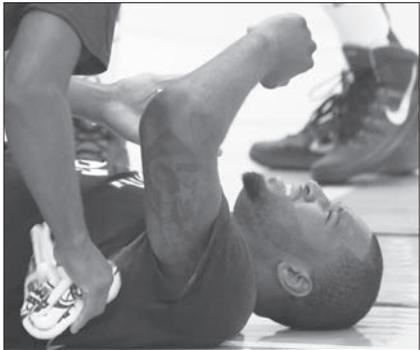
"My role here is to hopefully provide a little stability, give that team a chance to have the most success they can have in a very difficult situation," Burton said.

"Hopefully me being here in some kind of way can help. I don't know how, but hopefully I can find a way to help a healing pro-

cess start. I don't know how that is, but that would be my ultimate goal for everybody."

Stewart is winless and 21st in the Cup standings this season. It's not clear what sitting out does for Stewart's chances to reach the Chase for the Sprint Cup. NASCAR rules say a driver must either qualify the car or race the car each weekend. NASCAR does have the power to grant a waiver.

"The Chase is of the lowest priority, as it relates to Tony right now," Frood said.



CHARLES REX ARBOGAST/AP

U.S. National Team player DeMarcus Cousins lays on the court and is looked over by trainers after hurting his knee during practice on Thursday in Chicago. Cousins' injury is not believed to be serious. The U.S. team will face the Brazilian team in an exhibition game at the United Center in Chicago on Saturday.

# AUTO RACING



DERIK HAMILTON/AP

**AJ Allmendinger earned a spot in the 10-race Chase for the Championship with a victory at Watkins Glen International last week. It was just his fifth top-5 finish of the season for JTG Daugherty Racing.**

## A chance to shine

### Allmendinger gives single-car JTG Daugherty exposure, Chase spot

By JOHN KEKIS  
The Associated Press

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. — When a beaming Brad Daugherty sat down to address the media at Watkins Glen International after AJ Allmendinger had given JTG Daugherty Racing its first Sprint Cup triumph, the former NBA star couldn't curb his enthusiasm.

"We're coming for you Jimmie!" Daugherty belted out, gleeful about being able to challenge six-time champion Jimmie Johnson for the season title.

Yep, an underfunded single-car team with around 40 employees has made NASCAR's coveted 10-race Chase for the championship, and it's not just happy to be there.

"We've got a shot," said Allmendinger, whose first Cup win came in his 213th start. "It's huge to be in the Chase. This doesn't automatically make us a championship contender. We're still a small team. We're still building. To get that exposure by saying we're a Chase team is big for us because of our sponsors. It gives them more exposure, and that's what it's all about."

After Allmendinger took the checkered flag, Daugherty, who worked the race as a television analyst, began jumping up and down, grinning as he hugged fellow analyst Rusty Wallace. He then departed to Victory Lane and hoisted Allmendinger off the ground as a wild celebration got underway.

Allmendinger's life changed two years ago in the hours before the July race at Daytona International Speedway. NASCAR officials had just kicked him out of the track, suspending Allmendinger indefinitely for failing a random drug test.

The failed drug test sidelined him for more than three months and cost him his job with Penske Racing. It also spurred much soul searching, and after a handful of one-off Cup rides he landed a full-time



MEL EVANS/AP

**Just two years ago, AJ Allmendinger was fired by Penske Racing after failing a drug test, but Roger Penske was in Victory Lane on Sunday to congratulate his former driver at Watkins Glen.**

Cup ride last August with JTG Daugherty Racing. That Penske was among those to congratulate Allmendinger in Victory Lane spoke volumes.

"I knew he was the right guy for this team," said Tad Geschickter, a co-owner of the team with wife Jodi. "We try and run it like a family, and he was looking for a home."

Allmendinger's victory was timely. It came just two days after the team announced that Kimberly-Clark had extended its sponsorship through the 2017 Sprint Cup season with their SCOTT, Viva, Kleenex, Cottonelle, and Huggies brands. Kimberly-Clark has been with the team for five years.

"The significance of this win goes without saying how big and how important it is to this race team," said Allmendinger, who told his parents to make the trip because he felt good about his chances. "You know, to be able to share it with Tad and Jodi and Brad and everybody at this whole No. 47 race team, they make this team feel like such a family, like we're their own. To be able to share that together, that was what to me rolling into Victory Lane meant, that I was pulling into Victory Lane with my family."

In the broadcast booth, Daugherty was hesitant to pick his driver during the telecast because of the team's three-stop pit strategy. But when a handful of cautions flew in the final third of the 90-lap race, crew chief Brian Burns looked like a genius.

Still, Allmendinger had to prove his mettle by out-driving Australian road ace Marcos Ambrose in a fender-bending, door-slamming finish over the final laps in a desperate attempt by both drivers to make the Chase.

"He won the race today in a fashion that everyone is proud of him for doing, to beat one of the best in the world at driving these stock cars," said third-place finisher Kurt Busch, who was poised to take the victory if the two front-runners took each other out. "He deserves the trophy, and he had to pull from within. He had to dig in deep, and he had to believe in himself all the way through this."

"He's put himself through all those mental challenges, and today he persevered," Busch said. "He didn't break down and he brought home a victory, so we're all very proud of him."

It was just the fifth top-5 finish of the year for Allmendinger and the No. 47 Chevrolet but a step in the right direction with NASCAR's version of a regular season winding down. Only four races remain until the Chase begins.

"I think we have more in us. I think we've got a chance," Daugherty said. "If the dominoes fall correctly, we've got a chance. So we've got to put our eggs in one basket. We don't want to just be there as a back-marker. We want to make some noise."

Added Allmendinger: "You never know. We may go and shock the world and have a shot when it comes down to Homestead-Miami Speedway. You never know."

## Around the tracks

### SPRINT CUP

**This week:** Pure Michigan 400 at Brooklyn, Mich.

**TV:** AFN-Xtra, 7 p.m. Sunday Central European Time.

**Track:** Michigan International Speedway (oval, 2.0 miles).

**Race distance:** 400 miles, 200 laps.

**Last year:** AJ Allmendinger won on the road course at Watkins Glen for his first career Sprint Cup victory. He drives for JTG Daugherty Racing.

**Last week:** Joey Logano won on fuel mileage at Watkins Glen. Kevin Harvick was second.

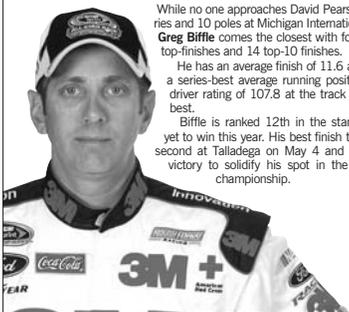
**Next race:** Irwin Tools Night Race, Aug. 23, Bristol Motor Speedway, Bristol, Tenn.

Online: [nascar.com](http://nascar.com)

### DRIVER STANDINGS

1. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	773
2. Jeff Gordon	768
3. Matt Kenseth	703
4. Brad Keselowski	696
5. Joey Logano	671
6. Carl Edwards	658
7. Jimmie Johnson	650
8. Kevin Harvick	645
9. Ryan Newman	645
10. Kyle Larson	635
11. Clint Bowyer	634
12. Greg Biffle	626
13. Casey Mears	622
14. Austin Dillon	616
15. Kyle Busch	615
16. Marcos Ambrose	584
17. Paul Menard	574
18. Brian Vickers	573
19. Jamie McMurray	566
20. Denny Hamlin	552

### DRIVER TO WATCH



While no one approaches David Pearson's nine victories and 10 poles at Michigan International Speedway, **Greg Biffle** comes the closest with four victories, 10 top-finishes and 14 top-10 finishes.

He has an average finish of 11.6 at the track and a series-best average running position of 8.9. His driver rating of 107.8 at the track is also a series best.

Biffle is ranked 12th in the standings and has yet to win this year. His best finish this season was second at Talladega on May 4 and needs to get a victory to solidify his spot in the Chase for the championship.

### NATIONWIDE SERIES

**This week:** Lexington Children's Hospital 200 at Lexington, Ohio.

**TV:** AFN-Xtra, 8:45 p.m. Saturday

**CT:** Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course (road course, 2.258 miles).

**Race distance:** 203.22 miles, 90 laps.

**Last year:** AJ Allmendinger raced to his second road-course victory of the season.

**Last week:** Marcos Ambrose won at Watkins Glen.

**Next race:** Food City 300, Aug. 22, Bristol Motor Speedway, Bristol, Tenn.

Online: [nascar.com](http://nascar.com)

### VERIZON INDYCAR

**This week:** ABC Supply Wisconsin 250 at West Allis, Wis.

**TV:** Delayed, AFN-Xtra, 6 a.m. Monday

**CT:** Track: Milwaukee Mile (oval, 1.0 mile).

**Race distance:** 250 miles, 250 laps.

**Last year:** Andretti Autosport's Ryan Hunter-Reay won at the track for the second year in a row.

**Last race:** Target Chip Ganassi's Scott Dixon won at Mid-Ohio on Aug. 3.

**Next race:** Grand Prix of Sonoma, Sonoma Raceway, Aug. 24, Sonoma, Calif.

Online: [indycar.com](http://indycar.com)

### CAMPING WORLD TRUCK

**This week:** Careers for Veterans 200 at Brooklyn, Mich.

**Track:** Michigan International Speedway (oval, 2.0 miles).

**Race distance:** 200 miles, 100 laps.

**Last year:** James Buescher raced to his first of his two 203 victories.

**Last race:** Austin Dillon won at Pocono on Aug. 2.

**Next race:** UNOH 200, Aug. 20, Bristol Motor Speedway, Bristol, Tenn.

Online: [nascar.com](http://nascar.com)

### FORMULA ONE

**Next race:** Belgian Grand Prix, Aug. 24, Spa-Francorchamps Circuit, Spa-Francorchamps, Belgium.

**Last race:** Red Bull's Daniel Ricciardo won the Hungarian Grand Prix on July 27.

Online: [formula1.com](http://formula1.com)

### NHRA MELLO YELLO DRAG RACING

**This week:** Lucas Oil Nationals at Brainerd, Minn.

**TV:** AFN-Xtra, 3 a.m. Monday CET.

**Track:** Brainerd International Raceway.

**Last year:** Ron Capps won Funny Car. Spencer Massey won in Top Fuel, and Mike Edwards topped Pro Stock.

**Last event:** John Force won the Northwest Nationals in Kent, Wash. Doug Kalitta won in Top Fuel, and Jason Line won in Stock.

**Next events:** U.S. Nationals, Aug. 27-Sept. 1, Lucas Oil Raceway at Indianapolis, Clermont, Ind.

Online: [nhra.com](http://nhra.com)

## BASEBALL



GENE J. PUSKAR/AP

Chicago's Pierce Jones hits a two-run home run off Lynnwood, Wash., pitcher Logan Kruse during the third inning of a Little League game in United States pool play at the Little League World Series in South Williamsport, Pa., on Thursday.

## Little League World Series roundup

## Chicago wins opener

## Windy City OF Jones smashes 3 homers in victory

The Associated Press

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Moments after Chicago beat Lynnwood, Wash., on Thursday in the Little League World Series, outfielder Pierce Jones looked at his phone — and had to turn it off.

"I didn't want to deal with all the notifications," Jones said.

Jones had three homers and four RBIs in Jackie Robinson West's 12-2 victory in five innings.

Manager Darold Butler let the players on the all-black team hear about the support in and around Chicago, but they haven't grasped the magnitude.

"I know for a fact they off his cell phone don't know how big it is, or after Thursday's 12-2 what exactly is going on at home," Butler said. "It's just baseball to them."

In the other U.S. game, Las Vegas beat Rapid City, S.D. 12-2 in five innings.

In openers Friday, Philadelphia will face Nashville, Tenn.; and Pearland, Texas, will meet Cumberland, R.I.

In International play, South Korea topped the Czech Republic 10-3, and Puerto Rico routed Australia 16-3 in four innings. On Friday, Canada will play Guadalupe, and Japan will meet Venezuela.

Jones homered leading off in the first inning, and also tripled in the game. Shortstop Ed Howard added a two-run homer in the second inning.

Chicago scored five runs in the third inning. Logan Kruse relieved Ian Michael, and Chicago capitalized on a passed ball and other misplays be-

hind the plate.

For Chicago, pitcher Joshua Houston settled down after Lynnwood scored two in the first. Houston went four innings, striking out seven and giving up two hits.

"We're just trying to make the city proud. We're trying to make the state proud," Butler said. "From the batting practice we've been taking here and the comeback win that got us here, the kids have been very relaxed. ... I felt good going into this game."

**Las Vegas 12, Rapid City 2 (5):** Zach Hare hit a leadoff homer in the third inning to help Las Vegas rout Rapid City.

Hare tied it at 2 with his homer to center field and finished 2-for-2 with four runs. Las Vegas added two more runs in the third and Brennan Holligan had a two-run double in a four-run fourth.

Las Vegas starter Austin Kryszczuk had an RBI single in the fifth and Rapid City conceded three more runs, two on wild pitches and the other when a batter was hit by a pitch.

Kryszczuk went 2½ innings. He struck out six and allowed two earned runs on three hits.

**Puerto Rico 16, Australia 3 (4):** Abimael Torres hit a grand slam in Puerto Rico's 13-run first inning.

Torres homered after Puerto Rico scored two runs on five straight walks. Oscar Lopez added a three-run homer in the third for Puerto Rico.

Joel D. Santos pitched two solid innings, striking out five and allowing one hit.

**South Korea 10, Czech Republic 3:** Jo Ho Park had a three-run homer in South Korea's five-run fourth inning.

After Park's homer off of Patrik Kadronozka, Jae Yeong followed with a solo shot. South Korea starter Jae Yeong Hwang struck out eight in three innings.

## Many issues await new commissioner

By RONALD BLUM  
The Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Kenesaw Mountain Landis is remembered for throwing out the Black Sox, Ford Frick for an asterisk, and Bowie Kuhn for squabbles with players and owners.

A. Bartlett Giamatti ran Pete Rose out of baseball, Fay Vincent suspended George Steinbrenner, and Bud Selig presided over the cancellation of a World Series, super-sized Steroids Era sluggers, increasingly strong drug-testing agreements, and instant replay to aid umpires.

Minutes after he was elected baseball's 10th commissioner, Rob Manfred didn't want to discuss what great issues he expects to take on when he succeeds Selig on Jan. 25.

"I really don't want to get too deeply today into agendas," he said Thursday after winning a three-way race.

Others speculated the length of games will be a top priority.

Some pitchers step on and off the rubber so much you'd think they were on a StairMaster, and hitters move in and out of the batter's box as if they were rhythmic gymnasts. All the pausing and preening — along with the expanded use of relief pitchers — has led to the average time of a nine-inning game expanding 30 minutes since 1981 to 3:03.

"That's going to be toward the top of his list. I would think," San Francisco Giants President Larry Baer said. "I'm not going to comment specifically on pitch clock. I think that's one of several ideas. Every candidate talked about it, and every owner wants it. Obviously, they will need to be player input."

Since taking over following Vincent's forced resignation in 1992, Selig mostly built consensus before announcing decisions. That deliberate decision-making ended public bickering among owners but also led to lengthy discussions prior to changes.

Several issues remain unresolved and could be passed along to Manfred, who under the Major League Constitution will receive a term of at least three years.

The 55-year-old Manfred, who has worked for MLB in roles with ever-increasing authority since 1998, dealt with two of baseball's more difficult issues in recent years: efforts to force out then-owner Frank McCourt during the Dodgers' bankruptcy proceedings in 2012, and the MLB's Biogenesis drug investigation last year that led to the suspensions of Alex Rodriguez, Ryan Braun and a dozen others.

He probably can't predict upcoming controversies. Could new NBA Commissioner Adam Silver have foreseen the need to ban Los Angeles Clippers owner Donald Sterling for life for making derogatory remarks about blacks? Could NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell have anticipated the New Orleans Saints bounty scandal?

Manfred also will have to lead baseball as a chief executive officer in an age in which technology is disrupting established models at a rapid rate.

"The job is much more complicated," Baer said. "Now you're in a 500-channel universe and you're on the Internet and you're communicating to people that are walking down the street consuming baseball."



STEVE RUARK/AP

Major League Baseball Chief Operating Officer Rob Manfred speaks to reporters after team owners elected him as the next commissioner of Major League Baseball during an owners quarterly meeting in Baltimore on Thursday.

MLB SCOREBOARD

American League

Table with columns: Team, East Division, W, L, Pct, GB. Includes Baltimore, Toronto, New York, Tampa Bay, Boston, Kansas City, Detroit, Cleveland, Chicago, Minnesota, Oakland, Los Angeles, Seattle, Houston, Texas.

National League

Table with columns: Team, East Division, W, L, Pct, GB. Includes Washington, Atlanta, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, Colorado.

Wednesday's games

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Minnesota 3, Houston 1
San Francisco 3, Oakland 1
Cleveland 3, Arizona 2

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Milwaukee 6, Chicago Cubs 2
Pittsburgh 4, Arizona 2

Saturday's games

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Keynote

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Pittsburgh (Locke 9-3) at Washington (Gonzalez 6-9)
Arizona (Wiley 7-8) at Miami (Alvarez 8-5)



Miami Marlins right fielder Giancarlo Stanton reacts after being forced out at second base in the third inning against the Arizona Diamondbacks on Thursday night. The host Marlins won 5-4 in 10 innings.

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Tigers 5, Pirates 2

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Pittsburgh 4, Arizona 2

Cardinals 4, Padres 3

Los Angeles 4, Atlanta 4
Milwaukee 6, Chicago Cubs 2
Pittsburgh 4, Arizona 2

Rockies 7, Reds 3

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Milwaukee 6, Chicago Cubs 2
Pittsburgh 4, Arizona 2

## MLB

# Scherzer fans 14 as Tigers top Pirates

The Associated Press

DETROIT — Max Scherzer and Brad Ausmus both knew early on Thursday afternoon that something special might be happening.

Their reactions were slightly different. When Scherzer struck out eight Pittsburgh batters in the first three innings, Ausmus was thinking of two of the worst days of his playing career.

"I've been the victim of two 20-strikeout games, and when he started out that fast, I was starting to wonder if he could put up a huge total," said Ausmus, who faced Roger Clemens in his 1996 20-K game and Kerry Wood two years later. "He was making pitches that looked like the ones Kerry was throwing that day."

Scherzer also knew a big number was possible, but he didn't care about records.

"I was thinking about it, but not for the reason you probably think," he said. "When I'm getting that many strikeouts early, it means I've throwing all four of my pitches. I'm getting hitters into the kill-zone counts and I'm putting them away. When that's happening, I know I'm probably going to have a good day."

As it turned out, Scherzer had to settle for only 14 strikeouts in eight shutout innings, leading the Detroit Tigers to a 5-2 victory.

"He pitched like a Cy Young winner," Pittsburgh manager Clint Hurdle said. "The volume of pitches that he can throw and command is impressive. I think there's 29 teams in this league that could find a spot for him at the top of their rotation."

Scherzer (14-4) took another step toward a second straight American League Cy Young Award, holding Pittsburgh to three hits and two walks. Since June 22, Scherzer is 6-1 in 10 starts with a 1.78 ERA and 85 strikeouts as opposed to only 52 hits.

Scherzer's performance and a homer from J.D. Martinez gave the Tigers a



CARLOS OSORIO/AP

**Tigers starting pitcher Max Scherzer struck out 14 batters over eight shutout innings in Thursday's interleague game against the Pirates in Detroit. The Tigers went on to win 5-2, sweeping their short two-game series with Pittsburgh.**

much-needed sweep of the short two-game series and a split of the four games in the home-and-home series that started Monday in Pittsburgh.

Francisco Liriano (3-9) took a tough loss for Pittsburgh, allowing two runs on

three hits and four walks in six innings. He struck out nine, but wasn't able to match Scherzer's brilliance.

"We needed a win, and our bullpen needed a break," Scherzer said. "So this was a huge game for us."

The Tigers broke the game open in the eighth, scoring one run on a throwing error by Michael Martinez before Nick Castellanos added a two-run single. That became important when Gaby Sanchez hit a 2-run homer off Phil Coke in the ninth.

## Roundup

# Surging Royals rally past A's

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Nori Aoki and Billy Butler each drove in two runs during a five-run seventh inning that rallied surging Kansas City to a 7-3 win over Oakland.

The Royals (66-54) have won 18 of 22 to move 12 games above .500 for the first time since July 20, 2003. Kansas City took the season series, winning five of seven against the Athletics, who have the best record in the majors at 73-48.

Aoki's two-run triple put the Royals ahead 5-3. Butler's single scored Aoki and Alcides Escobar.

Jeff Samardzija (3-2) took the loss, giving up four runs — three earned — and eight hits in 6 2/3 innings. He left with a 3-2 lead, but Ryan Cook failed to hold it. Cook faced three batters and all of them scored, ending his streak of 21 consecutive shutout innings.

Aaron Crow (6-1), the third of six Kansas City pitchers, retired his only batter. Greg Holland got two outs for his 36th save in 38 opportunities.

**Nationals 4, Mets 1:** Stephen Strasburg bounced back from a poor start to pitch seven efficient innings. Bryce Harper and Adam LaRoche each hit a two-run homer, and Washington beat New York to set a franchise record with its 11th consecutive win on the road against one team.

The Mets' 11 straight losses to Washington in Queens are their most against one club at home. New York dropped 10 in a row to the Braves at Shea Stadium from 1991-92.

**Dodgers 6, Braves 4:** Drew Butera hit a two-run homer, his first in almost three months, and Roberto Hernandez threw six strong innings against slumping host Atlanta to earn his first win with Los Angeles.

Hernandez (7-3), making his second start since his trade from the Phillies last week, allowed one run on three hits and four walks in six innings.

**Brewers 6, Cubs 2:** Mike Fiers struck out a career-high 14 through six innings of three-hit ball, and visiting Milwaukee beat Chicago to widen its NL Central lead.

**Cardinals 4, Padres 3:** Pinch-hitter Jon Jay delivered a two-run double in the eighth inning and right fielder Shane Robinson threw out the potential tying run at the plate in the ninth to help host St. Louis hold off San Diego.

**Rockies 7, Reds 3:** Charlie Culberson hit his first homer in more than a month — a three-run shot in the fifth — and Jorge De La Rosa pitched seven effective innings to lift host Colorado over Cincinnati.

**Marlins 5, Diamondbacks 4 (10):** Marcell Ozuna doubled home Garrett Jones in the 10th inning to give Miami a victory over visiting Arizona.

**Red Sox 9, Astros 4:** Dustin Pedroia's two-run double capped a seven-run sixth inning that sent host Boston past Houston for its fourth straight win.

**Rays 6, Rangers 3:** Evan Longoria homered and drove in three runs, and Jake Odorizzi helped extend Tampa Bay's impressive road pitching streak with seven strong innings against host Texas.



Ed Zurga/AP

**The Royals' Norichika Aoki hits a two-run triple in the seventh inning of Thursday's game against the Oakland Athletics in Kansas City, Mo.**

NFL

# Jags' QBs sharp in loss to Bears

## Henne trying to hold off Bortles

By Andrew Seligman  
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Chad Henne did all he could to keep the starting quarterback job with the Jacksonville Jaguars. First-round pick Blake Bortles was about as good. Henne passed for 130 yards and a touchdown, and Bortles threw for 160 in relief before backup quarterback Jordan Palmer rallied the Chicago Bears to a 20-19 preseason victory over the Jaguars on Thursday night.

Palmer, trying to beat out Jimmy Clausen for the No. 2 job, led Chicago to two fourth-quarter touchdowns. Senorise Perry scored on a 5-yard run with 50 seconds left, and C.J. Wilson intercepted a pass to seal the win after Henne and Bortles picked the Bears apart.

Jared Allen made his first appearance for Chicago after signing in the offseason and finished with one tackle for a loss on an otherwise quiet night. The five-time Pro Bowl defensive end sat out last week's opening win over Philadelphia after he missed practices because his wife had a baby.

Henne showed mobility in the pocket and completed 12 of 17 passes before leaving with a 13-7 lead in the second quarter.

"We feel very strongly about

Chad," coach Gus Bradley said. But he also plans to give Bortles some snaps with the first team, possibly in the coming week.

The rookie looked sharp again after an impressive showing last week in a victory over Tampa Bay. The No. 3 pick in the draft, Bortles went 11-for-17, but the Jaguars came away with the loss.

Chicago's Jay Cutler completed 7 of 9 passes for 79 yards and called it a night after throwing a 4-yard touchdown pass to Brandon Marshall early in the second quarter.

Clausen got the first call after Cutler left the game, with Palmer serving as the second man in relief in a flip from the preseason opener. But Clausen struggled through some headset problems after a strong performance last week.

The former Notre Dame star and Carolina Panther went 11-for-15 for 94 yards. He also had a pass intercepted by Josh Evans early in the third quarter off linebacker Telvin Smith's deflection after the headset went out on him.

"There were three to five plays where it just became confusion and he really didn't get us into the best plays," coach Marc Trestman said. "He was trying to make something good out of a bad situation, and there wasn't any way



MICHAEL CONROY/AP

Jacksonville quarterback Chad Henne throws to a receiver during the first half of Thursday's preseason game in Chicago. Henne completed 12 of 17 passes for 130 yards and a touchdown.

I could help him. That group of I would say up to a half a dozen plays when Jimmy was in there, it was very difficult to evaluate."

Palmer started the fourth quarter and threw for 73 yards, completing 6 of 9 passes.

"This is a competition and coaches have done a phenomenal job of making it very fair, evaluating us every day and so when you get to the preseason, you wait until your turn and then you go in there and try to make the most of it," Palmer said.

Martellus Bennett had a 25-yard catch after being suspended by the team last week for an al-

tercation in practice with cornerback Kyle Fuller, who left this game after injuring his ankle on the opening possession.

Jacksonville's Toby Gerhart ran for 19 yards in his first appearance with the Jaguars. The former Minnesota Vikings back-up had missed nearly two weeks because of a hip flexor injury.

Marque Lee caught four passes for 27 yards and a touchdown after struggling against Tampa Bay. Mercedes Lewis had 46 yards on three receptions.

The Jaguars scored on all three first-quarter possessions while grabbing a 13-0 lead, with Josh

Scobee kicking a pair of field goals and Henne hitting Lee with a 6-yard touchdown pass. The TD came after Chicago's Eric Weems fumbled away a kickoff.

The Bears cut it to 13-7 early in the second quarter, when Cutler hit Marshall with a 4-yarder to cap a 10-play drive. But a 43-yard field goal by Scobee late in the half made it 16-7.

"Definitely the first couple of drives we wanted to get the tempo going," Henne said. "The way we did that was first and second down. We moved the chains and got some explosive plays out of it as well."

## Other: With Trevathan sidelined, Marshall gets chance to shine



CHARLES REB AXBOGAST/AP

Chicago wide receiver Brandon Marshall (15) is the more well-known Brandon Marshall and even played for the Broncos, which only adds to the confusion.

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This Brandon (Markieth) Marshall gets confused with that Brandon (Tyron) Marshall "all day, every day," he said. "Twitter, Instagram, you name it."

On Instagram, fans see his face, his jersey and his No. 54, "but they still ask me, 'Why do you post so many Broncos pictures?'" Marshall said.

He estimates that he gets about 150 misdirected tweets every day from people mistaking him for the five-time Pro Bowl receiver who has made public his borderline personality disorder and who makes more money in one week — \$535,294 — than Marshall will all season — \$495,000.

"People ask me for donations," Marshall said. "People talk about mental health and say you're doing a great job. I used to respond as jokes but now I don't even respond. I figure, 'One day I'm just going to make a name for myself.'"

He's getting that chance with Trevathan out for the remainder of the preseason and likely the first month of the regular season.

Marshall, who was already playing alongside Trevathan in the nickel, has a message for Broncos fans who don't really know much about him.

"I'm ready. I've always been ready," he said. "I've been playing this game since I was 8 years old. So, it's really nothing for me."

Oh, and his Twitter handle is @BMarshh54. THAT Brandon Marshall's is @BMarshall.

And this Brandon Marshall promises there will be no drop-off in Denver's defense even though Trevathan led the team with 124 tackles last season and added a team-best two dozen more in the playoffs.

"I will get it done," said Marshall, who had the earpiece in his helmet at practice Thursday so he could get the calls from coordinator Jack Del Rio and relay them to the defense just like Trevathan does.

Marshall played weakside linebacker in the base, alongside Lamin Barrow in the nickel and as the lone linebacker in the dime defense.

"It was a new experience for me," Marshall said. "I've never played 'niker' linebacker before. I've never made the calls before. It was fun, actually. It stressed me in a way I've never been stressed before. But I liked it. I liked the challenge since I know the defense. And like I said, they only sign smart linebackers here and they expect you to know everything."

Del Rio said Marshall turned heads last season with his work ethic, and now "I'm excited to get a chance to really evaluate him in a more prominent role. He's an athletic linebacker. Much like Danny, he has a nose for the ball. And we'll just see where it goes."

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL



PAUL RODRIGUEZ, ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER/MCT

Fifth-year senior linebacker A.J. Tarpley is stepping into the spotlight for Stanford this season after the departure of linebackers Shayne Skov and Trent Murphy for the NFL. Tarpley has a team-high 216 tackles over the last three seasons.

# Tarpley's turn to shine

## Senior linebacker expected to fill leadership void

By ANTONIO GONZALEZ

The Associated Press

STANFORD, Calif. — A.J. Tarpley heard all offseason how Stanford would need to replace the production and locker room leadership linebackers Shayne Skov and Trent Murphy provided.

He heard how the departures of defensive coordinator Derek Mason and inside linebackers coach David Kotulski to Vanderbilt could complicate the Cardinal's transition. And he heard how the linebackers that were left behind, most notably himself, could be set up for a major setback this season.

Tarpley's response? He has heard this all before.

"Look at Coach Shaw. When everyone said, 'Coach Harbaugh's leaving, how are you going to replace his excitement, his determination for the game?' He just said he's David Shaw. He has his way of doing things," Tarpley said. "To me, that's worked out pretty well."

Tarpley is at the forefront of Stanford's latest leadership shift. With Skov and Murphy in NFL training camps, the fifth-year senior middle linebacker is the most experienced and decorated player on defense. He has led the team with 216 tackles over the last three seasons, though his success has often been overlooked because of those playing next to him.

"I think Shayne's personality and Shayne's big plays that he

made maybe put A.J. in the shadow a little bit," Shaw said. "But when you go back and watch the film, A.J. was extremely productive. And that's what you're looking for, a guy that makes the plays

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A.J. Tarpley

Stanford LB

wearing Skov now fighting for a spot on the San Francisco 49ers. Tarpley said he is ready to take on whatever role is needed to help the two-time defending Pac-12 champions win another title.

But he won't be somebody that he's not.

Instead, Tarpley intends to lead teammates by the way he plays and the way he works. He admits there are roles that will have to be filled, such as leading the breakdowns after practices and games,

but he believes that is just part of the natural evolution of any Stanford player.

"You become a leader through your whole career here," Tarpley said. "It's not something that you're automatically respected when you're a senior. You're respected because of what you've done, how you've carried yourself through the years."

Tarpley began to emerge after Skov's season-ending knee injury in 2011 — wearing a liberal display of eye black to honor his injured teammate — and has remained a constant contributor since. He finished that season with 57 tackles, had 66 in 2012, and 93 last season.

Shaw said Tarpley started to make an impression on the coaching staff in his redshirt freshman season in 2010 during the team's scrimmages. But there were All-Americans and all-conference performers in front of him, so the former Minnesota Gatorade Football Player of the Year would have to wait his turn to shine on Saturdays.

"It is not surprising at all to see A.J. Tarpley be successful on the field. That dude works just as hard as anybody on this team, if not harder," senior safety Jordan Richards said. "He's kind of been outlined by some guys that have a little more media personality, but that's a darn good football player."

# Cyclones still in search of No. 1 quarterback

By LUKE MEREDITH

The Associated Press

AMES, Iowa — It's become a late summer tradition that Iowa State would like to break.

If it's the middle of August, the Cyclones are in the middle of yet another quarterback controversy.

Iowa State is again unsettled at the game's most important position. The Cyclones have narrowed their choices down to junior Sam Richardson and sophomore Grant Rohach, and coach Paul Rhoads said Thursday that he'll name a starter by Monday.

Iowa State opens the season at home on Aug. 30 against North Dakota State. "I've seen great improvement from them, and that's the fun thing," Rhoads said. "Not only is it a true competition, we've seen an elevated level of play."

When the Cyclones left a chilly Puskas Stadium in Morgantown, W.Va., at the end of November, there didn't seem to be a controversy at all.

Rohach had just led the biggest comeback in school history, throwing for 331 yards and four TDs to help the Cyclones overcome a 24-point deficit and beat West Virginia 52-44.

Then Mark Mangino showed up.

The former Kansas State and Oklahoma coordinator and Kansas head coach was put in charge of yet another Big 12 offense in the offseason, and one of his first priorities was to open the quarterback job to all comers.



CHARLIE LITCHFIELD, THE DES MOINES REGISTER/AP

Iowa State football coach Paul Rhoads takes questions from members of the media at the Iowa State football media day on Sunday at Jack Trice Stadium in Ames, Iowa.

Though Rohach ended last season as the starter, he believes that an intrasquad scrimmage set for Saturday could go a long way in determining who wins the job for 2014.

Rohach threw for eight touchdowns and seven interceptions in 2013, with a completion rate of 57.6 percent.

"It's not like a day-by-day update of who's in the lead or anything like that. I think they just want us going out there and play hard,"

Rohach said.

The events of last season — when Iowa State lost seven straight and finished 3-9 — made it easy to forget just how highly the coaching staff thought of Richardson last August.

The Cyclones thought he had all the makings of a three-year starter.

But Richardson injured his ankle in an opening-day loss to FCS rival Northern

Iowa and was never quite the same quarterback who completed 23 of 27 passes with four TDs in his 2013 debut.

Richardson then hurt this thumb, and an offensive line decimated by injuries didn't help matters.

Still, the coaching staff has seen Richardson improve his strength, accuracy and grasp of the offense in the past nine months — perhaps even enough to leap past Rohach on the depth chart.

Despite his struggles in 2013, Richardson has 15 career TD passes against seven pikes.

"He's got a firm grasp on (the offense)... he's growing with it every day," Iowa State quarterbacks coach Todd Sturdy said. "I'm real pleased with his growth."

The instability Iowa State has suffered through at quarterback has kept the program from making a serious push up the Big 12 standings. But the Cyclones appear to have plenty of talent at both running back and wide receiver, so whoever is named the starter should have a chance to succeed.

The winner of this summer's annual quarterback competition shouldn't get too comfortable, though.

Redshirt freshman Joel Lanning might be third-string for now. But anyone who has watched Iowa State knows that, a year from now, Lanning could be in the mix as well.

"Joel's a strong kid," Sturdy said. "He's got a lively arm. I think he's very, very talented. His skill set as a quarterback is really good. I've been really impressed so far."

# SPORTS



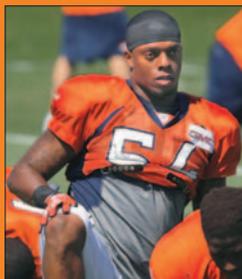
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# THE OTHER ONE



PHOTOS BY JACK DEMPSEY/AP

Denver linebacker Brandon Marshall is constantly correcting people who mistake him for Chicago's star receiver.

Denver's Brandon Marshall often mistaken for more well-known Chicago wide receiver

BY ARNIE STAPLETON  
*The Associated Press*

ENGLEWOOD, Colo.

**B**randon Marshall is embracing the opportunity to make a name for himself with the Denver Broncos.

If he can do that, maybe fans will stop mistaking him for the Chicago Bears' 30-year-old star wide receiver with the same name, the one who wore out his welcome in Denver five years ago.

The Brandon Marshall now playing in Denver was drafted in the fifth round out of Ne-

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vada in 2012 by the Jacksonville Jaguars, who cut him three times before the Broncos added him to their practice squad last year and then activated him for the season finale and the playoffs.

The 24-year-old linebacker is getting first crack at filling in for Danny Trevathan after Denver's leading tackler broke his left knee at Tuesday's practice.

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