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Dallas Mavericks' Johnathan Motley (6) shoots over Orlando Magic's Bismack Biyombo (11) during the first half of an NBA basketball game Wednesday, April 4, 2018, in Orlando, Fla.

(AP Photo/John Raoux)

Out with old: new look unveiled for 20th season as Titans

By **TERESA M. WALKER, AP Pro Football Writer**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Tennessee Titans are heading into their 20th season with that nickname sporting a new look that wound up more of an update featuring some subtle changes.

And the Titans themselves love the redesign.

"This is that fierce, tough, Titan look that we all wanted," linebacker Brian Orakpo said decked out in the all-white road uniform. "I was kind of skeptical at first with the whole new uniform change and things like that because you got so accustomed to the old ones. But these, we're going to love them. I know the rest of the guys are going to love them too."

The Titans unveiled the first major redesign of their uniforms in two decades Wednesday night with quite a party of a fashion show. An estimated

20,000 fans packed shoulder to shoulder over two city blocks blocked off on Nashville's famous honky tonk row for the event being capped with a concert by popular country pop duo Florida Georgia Line and fireworks.

"Man, it was electric," All-Pro safety Kevin Byard said. "I didn't realize how many people were out there until I actually got on stage and it was stretching out so far back on Broadway man it was excellent man just to see so many fans excited to see this jersey even though the leak and things like that it's definitely great."

Quarterback Marcus Mariota, Byard, Orakpo, tight end Delanie Walker and Pro Bowlers in left tackle Taylor Lewan and defensive lineman Jurrell Casey showed off the variety of options on a stage across the river from Nissan Stadium.

Controlling owner Amy Adams Strunk gave some tips at the NFL owners meetings, noting all her friends in Tennessee and Texas have been trying to get her to spill what the uniforms will look like. She had promised a "significant" change to what was first introduced in April 1999 as part of the franchise's switch from the Tennessee Oilers and the old Houston logo and uniforms.

The Titans' uniforms went through very minor tweaks in 2012, with Nike unveiling some new technology, but essentially the look remained the same.

The biggest switch comes with the helmet as the Titans are going from white with two navy blue stripes to navy blue with one stripe in two-toned silver for a sword. The fireball remains on the sides.

For the jersey, the Titans will wear navy at home, white on the road and light blue as the

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76ers win 12th straight, eliminate Pistons 115-108

By **NOAH TRISTER, AP Sports Writer**

DETROIT (AP) — The Philadelphia 76ers are rolling right along without Joel Embiid.

JJ Redick scored 25 points, and the 76ers won their 12th straight game, eliminating Detroit from playoff contention with a 115-108 victory over the Pistons on Wednesday night. Embiid missed a fourth straight game because of a concussion and orbital fracture.

"Everyone in this room has stepped up since Joel went down, and we know we're capable of winning games without him," guard Ben Simmons said. "We told him to get ready for the playoffs and that we'll take care of everything else. Now we're showing that we can do that."

The Pistons had their five-game winning streak snapped, and their defeat clinched a postseason spot for the Milwaukee Bucks. The Eastern Conference playoff field is now set, although there's still plenty of uncertainty over the actual matchups. Philadelphia pulled even with Cleveland for third place in the East.

Anthony Tolliver scored 25 points for the Pistons and went 7 of 8 from 3-point range. Detroit was without star forward Blake Griffin, who missed his fourth straight game because of a bruised right ankle.

Embiid had surgery last weekend to repair a broken bone around his left eye. The 76ers could certainly use him, but so far, they've gone right on winning. Redick scored 13 points in the first quarter Wednesday, and backup big man Richaun Holmes had back-to-back dunks to give Philadelphia an 18-17 advantage. An alley-oop to Holmes put the 76ers up 36-28 after one.

The lead reached 19 in the second quarter. Philadelphia was up 65-49 at halftime, and the margin didn't reach single digits again until the waning moments of the fourth. Detroit did manage to snap Philadelphia's streak of nine straight double-digit wins.

Redick finished 10 of 13 from the field and 5 of 7 from beyond the arc.

"They've got two of the best guys in the entire league moving without the ball, with Redick and (Marco) Belinelli," Pistons coach Stan Van Gundy said. "They tore us up tonight."

TIP-INS

76ers: Philadelphia was without F Dario Saric (right elbow cellulitis). F Robert Covington was shaken up in the third quarter after taking an elbow to the cheek from Detroit's Reggie Jackson. Covington was able to finish the game, however. ... Belinelli scored 19 points and Simmons had 16.

Pistons: Andre Drummond had 13 points and 15 rebounds.

DONE

The Pistons kept their slim postseason chances alive with this recent winning streak, and Detroit is 25-16 this season with Jackson suited up. But Jackson's late-December ankle injury sent the Pistons into a funk they ultimately weren't able to overcome.

"It's tough. It was a goal of ours in September, to be able to make the playoffs," guard Reggie Bullock said. "Things happen. Players left, players got hurt."

LATE RALLY

Detroit cut Philadelphia's lead to eight in the final minute, and after a turnover by Belinelli, Stanley Johnson had a 3-pointer that would have made it a five-point game. He missed.

"You always want to avoid turnovers down the stretch, but you have to give the Pistons credit. We're on the road on a back-to-back, and we're trying to end their shot at the playoffs," 76ers coach Brett Brown said. "It is always going to be difficult and there's going to come a point where you have to break their spirit to finish them off. They hit some huge 3s and forced some turnovers, and that's the way a lead starts to evaporate, but we were able to reply with the same things."

CELEBRITIES

Moe Wagner, Muhammad-Ali Abdur-Rahkman and Duncan Robinson, fresh off their Final Four appearance with Michigan, were shown on the big screen at the game and drew a roar from the crowd.



IN THE COMMUNITY

(Photos: Leua)



Atlanta Hawks guard Isiah Taylor, center, drives between Miami Heat guards Goran Dragic, left, and Josh Richardson (0) during the second half of an NBA basketball game Tuesday, April 3, 2018, in Miami. The Heat won 101-98. (AP Photo/Wilfredo Lee)

Olynyk's hot shooting powers Heat past Hawks

By CHARLES ODUM, AP Sports Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — With an extra \$1 million in his pocket, Kelly Olynyk could have afforded a spending spree.

"Instead, I just made it rain," he said.

One 3-pointer at a time.

Olynyk scored 19 points, including 15 on five 3-pointers when Miami took the lead for good in the second period, and the Heat beat the Atlanta Hawks 115-86 on Wednesday night, capping a sweep of back-to-back games between Southeast Division rivals.

By logging his first two minutes in the game, Olynyk earned a \$1 million bonus for reaching 1,700 for the season.

That sort of detail doesn't go unnoticed on a team. Olynyk's teammates and coach Erik Spoelstra are expecting the 7-foot forward to pick up some tabs.

"Dinner, drinks, beers all that is on him," Spoelstra said. "I'm going to see if I can get tickets to a play. All that is on him. I'm going to bill his account for everything."

Spoelstra and his players have reason to celebrate.

Miami rested Dwyane Wade, Goran Dragic and James Johnson one day after clinching a playoff berth by beating the Hawks in Miami.

Olynyk made five of six 3s in the second period. His career high for 3s in a game is six.

"I was kind of in the zone," he said. "I felt like whatever I threw up was going to go in."

Olynyk's first two 3s in his streak of four straight for the Heat capped a 14-0 run for a 42-36 lead.

Following a basket by Atlanta's Damion Lee, Olynyk sank two more 3s before a miss ended his hot stretch.

"He's one of our best shooters," said Spoelstra of Olynyk. "He works on it all the time and it's such a weapon. And he picks the right spots. It's all because his heart's in the right place. He doesn't want to take all the shots. He only wants to shoot open ones."

Olynyk also had eight rebounds and five assists.

Josh Richardson also had 19 points, with four blocks and three steals, and Justise Winslow had

18 for Miami.

Miami stretched its lead with a 12-0 run late in the third quarter and increased the advantage to 20 points early in the final period.

Even without some of its top players, Miami had plenty of depth to control the game. The woeful Hawks have lost seven of eight and 13 of 15 to solidify their hold on the worst record in the Eastern Conference.

"Energy wise, our gas tank hit empty," said Hawks coach Mike Budenholzer.

Taurean Prince led Atlanta with 20 points, Lee and Tyler Dorsey each had 15. No other Hawks player scored in double figures.

"It's just one of those nights when we dug ourselves a hole," Dorsey said.

TIP-INS

Heat: Spoelstra said Dragic (right ankle), Wade (left wrist) and Johnson (left ankle) have played through injuries as the Heat "made a pretty big push without exhaling at all" to clinch the playoff spot. ... Rodney McGruder had 14 points. Wayne Ellington had 11. ... Miami made 17 of 38 3s.

Hawks: G Antonius Cleveland had five points in 12 minutes in his return after missing 18 games with a left ankle injury. He appeared in his first game since Dec. 18 with the Mavericks. ... Center Dewayne Dedmon (sore rib) was cleared following pregame warmups. He had six points and eight rebounds after missing Tuesday night's game.

SHORT REST

Spoelstra said he's not shutting down his starters before the playoffs.

"Right now we're not shutting everybody down," Spoelstra said.

Wade is confident he'll be ready for the postseason.

"I've got three more games," Wade said before the game. "Yeah, I'll be out there."

REMEMBERING KING

There was a pregame moment of silence to mark the 50th anniversary of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination.

UP NEXT

Heat: At New York on Friday night.

Hawks: At Washington on Friday night.

Ohtani homers again, Cozart lifts Angels over Indians in 13

By The Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Shohei Ohtani hit his second homer in two games at Angel Stadium in the fifth inning, and Zack Cozart had walk-off homer in the 13th inning of the Los Angeles Angels' 3-2 victory over the Cleveland Indians on Wednesday.

One day after Ohtani hit an electrifying three-run homer in his first home plate appearance, the Japanese two-way rookie connected for a tying two-run homer off AL Cy Young winner Corey Kluber in his second game at the Big A.

Neither team scored again after Ohtani's blast until Cozart, the Angels' new infielder, connected for his first career walk-off homer against Zach McAllister (0-1).

Ohtani also singled leading off the 10th to go 2 for 5, giving him six hits this season and five in his only two home games. The Angels' rookie sensation will make his first home pitching start Sunday against Oakland, one week after beating the Athletics on the road in his big-league pitching debut.

The Angels hadn't had a walk-off homer in extra innings since Aug. 9, 2014, when Albert Pujols did it.

Noe Ramirez (1-1), the Angels' eighth reliever, came on with two outs in the 13th and struck out Erik Gonzalez with two Indians on base.

DIAMONDBACKS 3, DODGERS 0

PHOENIX (AP) — Patrick Corbin shut out Los Angeles on one hit over 7 1/3 innings, striking out a career-high 12 for Arizona.

The Diamondbacks swept the three-game series and won their ninth straight regular-season game against the Dodgers, going back to a pair of three-game series sweeps last season.

Corbin (2-0) retired 14 batters in a row to start the game, eight on strikeouts. The Dodgers struggled to make solid contact, and it took Matt Kemp's bloop double with two outs in the fifth to break up Corbin's no-hit bid. Kemp had the Dodgers' only hit of the game.

Corbin was taken out after walking Kemp with one out in the eighth inning.

Brad Boxberger earned his second save with a scoreless ninth. The Dodgers had only four base runners, two in the ninth on Boxberger walks. The Diamondbacks scored a run in each of the first three innings.

YANKEES 7, RAYS 2

NEW YORK (AP) — Giancarlo Stanton turned boos to cheers with his first Yankee Stadium home run in pinstripes, an emphatic go-ahead drive in the first inning to help New York complete a two-game sweep.

Stanton turned on a high slider from Blake Snell (0-1), driving the ball 458 feet to left field at 117.9 mph for a two-run

homer with the hardest-hit ball in the major leagues so far this young season.

Acquired from Miami in December, the major league home run champion was booed a day earlier when he struck out a career-worst five times in the Yankees' home opener.

Aaron Judge and Gary Sanchez also hit two-run homers as the Bronx Bombers lived up to their nickname. Judge connected off reliever Matt Andriese, the pitcher who gave up a home run to Judge in the slugger's first big league at-bat in August 2016. Sanchez's drive ended an 0-for-17 slide.

Luis Severino (2-0) allowed two runs and five hits with seven strikeouts in 7 1/3 innings, the longest outing by a New York starter this year. The Yankees improved to 4-2 under new manager Aaron Boone and won their 11th straight home series against the Rays. Tampa Bay has lost five straight games since beating Boston in its opener and is off to its worst start since 2011.

METS 4, PHILLIES 2.

NEW YORK (AP) — Yoenis Cespedes homered, Amed Rosario hit a two-run triple and New York's bullpen faced the minimum batters over five scoreless innings.

New York swept the weather-shortened two-game series.

With runners at the corners and two outs in the sixth, Rosario cleared the bases with a liner over the head of shallow-playing right fielder Nick Williams to chase reliever Drew Hutchison (1-1) and snap a 2-2 tie. The 22-year-old Rosario has driven in five runs in as many games.

Mets relievers continued their strong start in a game that started 97 minutes late due to rain. Converted starter Robert Gsellman (1-0) threw two perfect innings. Hansel Robles struck out the side in his first appearance this season. A.J. Ramos pitched a scoreless eighth and closer Jeury Familia earned his third save in three chances. Mets relievers have allowed three runs in 20 1/3 innings (1.33 ERA), and the pitching staff as a whole has 61 strikeouts through the season's first five games.

ASTROS 3, ORIOLES 2

HOUSTON (AP) — Josh Reddick had three hits, and Alex Bregman's tiebreaking RBI single in the seventh inning lifted Houston past Baltimore for a three-game sweep.

Miguel Castro (0-1) took over for Dylan Bundy to start the seventh and walked Derek Fisher with one out. Fisher stole second base with two outs and the Astros went on top when he scored on Bregman's single to left field. Reddick, who started the season 1 for 11, singled three times after hitting a two-run homer and a grand slam in his last two at-bats Tuesday night.

Houston starter Dallas Keuchel allowed five hits and two runs — one earned — with four walks in five innings. Brad Peacock (1-0) allowed two hits in three scoreless innings.

TWINS 7, PIRATES 3.

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Brian Dozier homered for the third straight game, Miguel Sano drove in a pair of runs in frigid conditions and Minnesota handed Pittsburgh its first loss of the season.

Dozier hit a drive off the top of the left-field wall in the third inning for his fourth home run in four days. Sano finished 3 for 5 and started Minnesota's four-run rally in the sixth with an RBI single. He added another run-scoring single in the seventh. Eduardo Escobar also drove in two runs for the Twins.

Taylor Rogers (1-0) got two outs in the fifth to pick up the win.

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Deadline for filing applications with the LBJ Office of Human Resources will be April 6, 2018 at 4:00 pm. Application forms are available at the Office of Human Resources.

Sumo in uproar as women first responders ordered out of ring

TOKYO (AP) — The head of Japan's sumo association has apologized over an incident in which women first responders were asked to get out of the ring as they attempted to revive an official who collapsed.

In sumo's tradition, the ring is considered sacred and women are prohibited from entering.

That posed a problem Wednesday when the mayor of Maizuru in northern Kyoto collapsed during a ring-top speech. Two women, apparently medical experts, rushed in and started performing first aid.

When two more women rose to the ring, repeated announcements demanded the women get

out of the ring.

Footage posted on social media triggered outrage, with many criticizing sumo officials and saying they were choosing tradition over life.

Sumo chief Nobuyoshi Hakaku called the announcement inappropriate and apologized late Wednesday.

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color rush option. The change comes on the shoulders with a two-toned silver mimicking the sword in the team logo along with a new light blue insert under each arm. There's also a two-tone silver stripe on the outside of the pants.

The numbers feature a point in honor of the state's northeast corner, with red stars from the Tennessee flag inside the back neckline.

Tennessee has been teasing the new uniforms for weeks after the franchise was routed by New England in the divisional round of the playoffs before firing coach Mike Mularkey and then hiring new coach Mike Vrabel.

Eddie George, who helped introduce the original uniforms in 1999, was on hand with Frank Wycheck, Blaine Bishop and Craig Hentrich. George said he

was a bit jealous of the upgrade and noted that the Titans went to their lone Super Bowl in Atlanta the last time the team unveiled new uniforms.

"So hopefully the signs are all heading toward having a great year for the Titans and ending in Atlanta with us crossing over the 1-yard line for a win, a Super Bowl win," George said. "So I'm hoping it all leads to that great outcome."

Gray, Rockies shut down Villanueva and Padres in 5-2 win



Colorado Rockies starting pitcher Jon Gray throws to a San Diego Padres batter during the first inning of a baseball game in San Diego, Wednesday, April 4, 2018. (AP Photo/Alex Gallardo)

By **BERNIE WILSON**, AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Jon Gray pitched seven scoreless innings, Trevor Story and Ian Desmond each drove in two runs and the Colorado Rockies beat the San Diego Padres 5-2 on Wednesday night.

Gray (1-1) shut down the Padres a night after they won 8-4 behind rookie Christian Villanueva's three home runs and five RBIs. Gray retired Villanueva in three straight at-bats, including a strikeout. The right-hander struck out seven and walked none before three relievers finished a six-hitter.

Cory Spangenberg had two of the Padres' four hits off Gray.

Jake McGee allowed a hit and two San Diego runs in the eighth, one of them unearned due to his error. Bryan Shaw gave up an RBI single to Hunter Renfroe, but Wade Davis closed in the ninth for his third save.

The Rockies hit Clayton Richard (0-1) hard in scoring all their runs in the first two innings. Story's broken-bat, two-run double that bounced over the left-field wall highlighted the three-run first, when the Rockies also got an RBI double from Nolan Arenado.

Desmond's two-run single

with the bases loaded highlighted the second. Arenado was thrown out by Matt Szczur trying to go from first to third on the play.

Richard, who tossed seven strong innings against Milwaukee on opening day, allowed five runs and eight hits in five innings. He struck out six and walked three.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Padres: OF Wil Myers was placed on the 10-day disabled list with nerve irritation in his right arm. Myers also missed time this season with a sore back. RHP Phil Maton was recalled from Triple-A El Paso to take his roster spot.

UP NEXT

Rockies: LHP Tyler Anderson starts the series finale Thursday afternoon. He allowed seven runs over 2 1/3 innings last Friday, including five in the first inning, but didn't factor into the decision in a 9-8 loss at Arizona.

Padres: Rookie LHP Joey Lucchesi makes his second start. He gave up three runs and seven hits in 4 2/3 innings during his major league debut Friday night.



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Aboriginal activists use Commonwealth platform to protest



A small group of indigenous protesters blocked a Gold Coast road, bringing a temporary halt to the Queen's Baton Relay before the opening ceremony for the 2018 Commonwealth Games at Carrara Stadium on the Gold Coast, Australia, Wednesday, April 4, 2018. (AP Photo/John Pye)

By JOHN PYE, AP Sports Writer

GOLD COAST, Australia (AP) — An opening ceremony rich in symbolic tributes to Australia's indigenous people was about to get under way at the Commonwealth Games.

At the same time, Aboriginal activists gathered in the shadows of the main stadium to get their message across, too.

Flanked and outnumbered by a heavy police presence, about 100 protesters carried banners with the message "Colonisation Is Not A Game" and waved black, red and yellow Aboriginal flags.

Chanting "No Justice, No Games," they walked up to the stadium at Carrara in the rain on Wednesday night and were ushered by police, via a parking lot and soggy paddock, into a field across the road from the main entrance.

Queensland Police Deputy Commissioner Steve Gollschewski said three people were arrested for public nuisance offenses but otherwise there were no issues.

"The people were able to make their protest and get their message across," he said. "It was a very good outcome."

A smaller group had halted the Queen's baton relay briefly earlier in the day blocking a road before the route was altered slightly for the final 14 baton bearers to continue.

The Australian Broadcasting Corp. quoted one of the protesters, Wayne Wharton, as saying "We are calling on the Commonwealth heads of every nation that has come here to demand (Prime Minister) Malcolm Turnbull to initiate a truth commission."

The British established colonies in Australia in the late 1700s after declaring it "terra nullius" — owned by no one — despite the presence of Aboriginal people on the island conti-

ment for at least 50,000 years.

Today, Aboriginal people make up just three percent of the population of 24 million and are the most disadvantaged ethnic group in Australia by most measures from health, to employment and rates of imprisonment.

Activists, who have dubbed the event as the "Stolenwealth Games" aim to highlight that despite former Prime Minister Kevin Rudd's national apology in 2008 to Australia's Aboriginal people for past injustices, progress has been slow on the timetable he set for ending indigenous disadvantage.

Prince Charles, opening the 21st edition of the Commonwealth Games on behalf of his mother Queen Elizabeth II, said "sport can be a great force for good which can help create harmony between communities.

"The ancient stories told by the indigenous people of Australia remind us that even though we may be half a world away, we are all connected," said Charles, reading from a message from the queen.

The Commonwealth Games has brought together 71 nations and territories of the Commonwealth and the opening ceremony was billed as "a celebration of unity, culture and diversity."

The night included a traditional welcome to land by a local indigenous elder and a smoking ceremony near the end, and highlighted imagery, scenes and sounds of the ancient culture.

Wesley Enoch, an Aboriginal man who directed parts of the opening ceremony in 2006 in Melbourne and against on the Gold Coast, said it was important that the event had an "indigenous context."

"To watch that smoking ceremony ... we all smelt the same after that. It's also about

welcoming, cleansing, to begin from a new beginning," he said at a news conference Thursday. "The power of welcome is all throughout this ceremony. You can't welcome athletes from all over the globe and all over the nation to this place without having proper ceremony."

Indigenous protests also coincided with previous Commonwealth Games in Australia in 1982 at Brisbane and in 2006 in Melbourne.

Enoch said Australia had come a long way in the 12 years between hosting the games.

Asked about the protests, Enoch said it was important to be clear that local elders had

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▶ Ohtani...



Los Angeles Angels' Shohei Ohtani, right, of Japan, celebrates his two-run home run with Andrelton Simmons as Cleveland Indians catcher Yan Gomes watches during the fifth inning of a baseball game, Wednesday, April 4, 2018, in Anaheim, Calif.

(AP Photo/Jae C. Hong)

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Gorkys Hernandez connected leading off the second. Belt started the fifth with a drive to left. Sandoval's drive into the water three batters later chased Hernandez, and Crawford followed with his first homer. It was the first time the Giants hit three homers in one inning since June 2, 2016, at Atlanta — also in the fifth. They last did it at home on May 7, 2007, in the fifth inning as well, against the Mets.

BRAVES 7, NATIONALS 1

ATLANTA (AP) — Mike Foltynewicz outpitched Max Scherzer, Preston Tucker hit a three-run homer and Atlanta beat Washington.

Foltynewicz (1-0) allowed four hits, one run and two walks and had eight strikeouts in 5 1/3 innings. He snapped an eight-start skid during which he went 0-7 with a 7.34 ERA.

Scherzer (1-1) gave up six hits, two walks and five runs — two earned — in five innings. The three-time Cy Young Award winner struck out seven.

The Braves, with three straight seasons of at least 90 losses, improved to 4-2 and are two games over .500 for the first time since April 22, 2015.

CARDINALS 6, BREWERS 0

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Carlos Martinez pitched into the ninth inning and struck out 10, Yadier Molina homered and St. Louis beat error-prone Milwaukee.

Leadoff batter Dexter Fowler scored twice in the first three innings for the Cardinals.

A 4-0 lead after four innings was more than enough cushion for the hard-throwing Martinez (1-1). The two-time All-Star rebounded from a rough opening-day start last week against the New York Mets by cruising through the Brewers' dangerous lineup at hitter-friendly Miller Park.

Martinez allowed four hits and two walks. He retired 16 straight before Domingo Santana laced a one-out single in the seventh. The right-hander's fastball still registered 93 mph in the ninth.

Molina hit a solo shot to left field in the fourth off Jhouly Chacin (0-1).

ROCKIES 5, PADRES 2

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Jon Gray pitched seven scoreless innings, Trevor Story and Ian Desmond each drove in two runs and Colorado beat San Diego.

Gray (1-1) shut down the Padres a night after they won 8-4 behind rookie Christian Villanueva's three home runs and five RBIs. Gray retired Villanueva in three straight at-bats, including a strikeout. The right-hander struck out seven and walked none before three relievers finished a six-hitter.

Cory Spangenberg had two of the four hits off Gray. Wade Davis closed for his third save.

The Rockies hit Clayton Richard (0-1) hard in scoring all their runs in the first two innings.

Josh Bell hit a 432-foot home run through the snow flurries in the first inning for Pittsburgh. Corey Dickerson added two hits for the Pirates, but Pittsburgh's attempt to start 5-0 for the first time since 1983 ended when the Twins jumped on Ivan Nova (0-1) and the bullpen in the sixth.

WHITE SOX 4, BLUE JAYS 3

TORONTO (AP) — Matt Davidson hit his fourth home run of the season, Jose Abreu added a tiebreaking solo shot in the eighth inning and Chicago snapped Toronto's four-game winning streak.

Davidson homered leading off the second inning, driving a 3-1 pitch from Aaron Sanchez over the left-field fence. With the score tied at 3, Abreu connected on a 3-0 pitch from reliever Ryan Tepera (1-1), sending a solo shot into the second deck in left-center field for his second home run of the year.

Right-hander Nate Jones (1-0) picked up the win with 1 1/3 innings of scoreless relief. Closer Joakim Soria earned his second save of the season with a flawless ninth inning.

GIANTS 10, MARINERS 1

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Pablo Sandoval splashed a three-run homer into McCovey Cove while making a rare start, Johnny Cueto earned his first win of the season and San Francisco jumped all over Seattle ace Felix Hernandez.

Brandon Belt, Brandon Crawford and Gorkys Hernandez also homered as the Giants got their bats going at last to back Cueto (1-0).

San Francisco rebounded quickly after losing its home opener a day earlier. Sandoval drew a bases-loaded walk to put the Giants ahead against Hernandez (1-1) in the first, when they also scored runs on a wild pitch and Crawford's sacrifice fly.



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DeRozan scores 16 points as Raptors beat Celtics 96-78

By IAN HARRISON, Associated Press

TORONTO (AP) — The Toronto Raptors turned up the defensive pressure and tightened their grip on first place in the Eastern Conference.

DeMar DeRozan scored 16 points, Fred VanVleet and Serge Ibaka each had 15 and the Raptors moved closer to clinching the top seed in the East by beating the Boston Celtics 96-78 on Wednesday night.

“We had to rely on our defense tonight,” DeRozan said. “We missed a lot of shots but, with that, we played extremely hard defensively and made up for the low percentage that we shot from the field.”

Toronto, which made 40 of 92 attempts, increased its lead over second-place Boston to three games. Both teams have four games remaining.

“We didn’t score the way we needed to but we played defense the way we needed to,” Toronto’s Kyle Lowry said.

Lowry scored 13 points as the Raptors earned a split in the season series and clinched the tiebreaker over Boston, based on each team’s record in conference play. Toronto is 37-11 against the East, while Boston is 31-17.

“Obviously these guys are well into the driver’s seat on the one (seed),” Boston coach Brad Stevens said.

With its 56th win of the season, Toronto matched the franchise record set in 2015-16.

Still, Raptors coach Dwane Casey wasn’t celebrating.

“We’re not excited,” Casey said. “We still have some things to get better at.”

Delon Wright had eight points, eight assists and nine rebounds for the Raptors, who entered having lost five of their previous eight, including the

past two. Toronto lost at Boston on Saturday and again at Cleveland on Tuesday.

Marcus Morris scored 21 points, Greg Monroe had 17 and Al Horford 16 for the Celtics, who were held to their lowest point total of the season. Boston scored 80 in a Jan. 18 loss to Philadelphia.

“You always talk on offense about owning your space and they owned our space all night,” Stevens said. “They were very physical, they were very good.”

Boston made 25 of 75 shot attempts, including 3 of 22 from 3-point range, its fewest made 3-pointers of the season. Boston’s previous low was six, set twice.

The Celtics lost Tuesday in Milwaukee and have dropped consecutive games after winning six in a row.

“It’s vital that we get back on a good roll and go into the playoffs with some type of momentum,” Morris said.

Terry Rozier started for Boston after sitting out Tuesday because of a sprained left ankle. He scored two points in 28 minutes and shot 1 of 9.

“It didn’t bother me,” Rozier said of his ankle. “It might have looked like it bothered me but it didn’t bother me.”

Jaylen Brown and Monroe each scored five points in the first as Boston led 20-14 after one. Toronto made six of 23 attempts in the opening quarter, going 2 of 11 from 3-point range, and didn’t score over the final 3:29 in its lowest-scoring first quarter of the season.

Boston made nine turnovers in the second, leading to 17 points for Toronto, as the Raptors rallied behind six points from Wright to lead 43-33 at halftime. The Celtics had more turnovers in the first half (14) than made baskets (13).



Boston Celtics center Greg Monroe (55) goes to the basket over Toronto Raptors guard DeMar DeRozan (10) and centre Jakob Poeltl (42) during the first half of an NBA basketball game Wednesday, April 4, 2018, in Toronto. (Frank Gunn/The Canadian Press via AP)



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- Associate of Arts/Science degree in an Information Technology- related field from an accredited community or technical college, or successful completion of a two year certificate program in a relevant area, or equivalent combination of relevant education and experience.
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invited the games organizers, athletes and people onto their land and had helped find a way to express their culture.

“We all own that story. As Australians, we own that indigenous heritage,” he said. “And that’s a big lesson to learn.”

Gold Coast 2018 chairman Peter Beattie, a former Queensland state premier and trade ambassador, said his organization had worked closely with local indigenous groups had a “philosophical commitment to indigenous reconciliation.”

Beattie said Thursday he’d

meet with protesting groups if he was asked.

“We are really committed to this — it’s not just a ceremony,” he said. “If people have genuine grievances they have a right to go and out demonstrate them. We believe in people’s rights. I think it’s fair enough for them to express their view.

“Let’s be really honest, this nation doesn’t have a great record if you look at how indigenous people have been treated. Frankly, we need to reach out to people and part of that is being tolerant and understanding.”





In this Thursday, March 15, 2018, photo, marathon runner John Young, of Salem, Mass., makes his way along a training route in Salem. Young was born with dwarfism, but that hasn't stopped him from conquering multiple marathons and triathlons. While most marathoners take about 35,000 steps to reach the finish line, Young uses about 80,000.

(AP Photo/Steven Senne)

A giant feat: Marathoner with dwarfism conquers Boston, life

By WILLIAM J. KOLE, Associated Press

SALEM, Mass. (AP) — Most marathoners take 35,000 steps to reach the finish line. John Young needs 80,000.

The high school math teacher from Canada is part of a rare and spirited breed of athlete: those who've overcome the daunting challenges of dwarfism to conquer the 26.2-mile (42.2-kilometer) distance.

Many endure not just the usual rigors of training but cruel taunts from onlookers — “Hey, check out the midget” — as they put in their miles.

But Young, who lightheartedly refers to himself as an LP (“little person”), has become an inspiration to others with dwarfism — and his accomplishments have won him

respect and admiration around the globe.

“A lot of people in my life, especially when I was younger, said, ‘You can't do that — you're too small. You can't do that — you're too short. You might get hurt,’” Young, 52, said at his home in Salem, famed for its 1690s witch trials.

“I heard that a lot and I used to listen,” he said. “Now I don't listen.”

Young is a member of an elite club: Only four athletes with dwarfism are known to have completed marathons, and he's finished the most — 10 — including four Boston Marathons and three New York City Marathons. He's also competed in 50 triathlons — including Ironman Maryland — and his latest goal, starting with Boston on April 16, is to run 12 marathons in 12 months.

He stands only 4 feet 4 inches, but he's the biggest little person Boston Marathon race director Dave McGillivray knows.

“He's an example of somebody who's overcome his own physical challenges and inspired thousands of people to live their dreams,” McGillivray said. “He trains and competes just like every other athlete. He says, ‘I am who I am. I'm going to succeed at my level and I'm going to feel good about myself.’”

That wasn't always the case for Young.

Born in Toronto with achondroplasia, the most common form of dwarfism, he grew up in foster care. “People asked, ‘Are you going to be in the circus? Are you going to be a midget wrestler? Are you going to be an entertainer?’ And I was like, ‘No, I like school. I like math. I want to go to college,’” he said.

Young, who graduated as valedictorian, swam and played street and pond hockey. But he never ran — doctors worried the pounding would cause back problems.

“They always said, ‘Don't run, don't run, it's not a good idea, stay away from it,’” he said.

Over the years, Young's weight ballooned to nearly 200 pounds (90 kilos) — dangerously obese for his height — and he developed sleep apnea. To shed pounds, he returned to the pool and took up cycling. He entered a triathlon but skipped the run portion, still worried it might cripple him.

Finally, he caved, and he couldn't believe what he'd been missing.

“What I found was the more I ran, the less my back actually hurt,” said Young, whose light running style enables him to recover remarkably quickly.

Colleagues noticed other benefits.



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Mae'a toe fa'aleleia laina telefoni Bluesky ae o loo galulue pea ASTCA

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O se iloilogaga sa fa'ataunu'uina i luma o le Komiti o Fesootaiga a le Maota o Sui i le vaiaso nei, na mafai ai ona fa'afoga afioga i Faipule i le tulaga ua i ai le toe fa'aleleia o fesootaiga tau telefoni atoa ai ma le initaneti mai nei kamupani telefoni e lua i le atunu'u.

O le afioga i le tama'ita'i faipule ia Fialupe Fiaui Lutu na ta'ita'ia le iloilogaga, lea na maua ai le avanoa o afioga i Faipule e fesiligia ai molimau e tusa ai o mataupu o loo atugalua i ai le atunu'u.

O le Pulesili o le ASTCA ia Puleleite Li'amatua Tufele Jr na fai ma sui o le Ofisa o Fesootaiga a le malo, atoa ai ma sui o le Bluesky na malaga atu e tali fesili ma atugaluga o Faipule, e aofia ai le susuga a Faimanifo Joe Tuiteleleapaga ma le susuga Stuart Fong.

O ni isi o atugaluga mai afioga i Faipule, o le tele lea o vaiaso talu ona mae'a le 'afa o Gita ae o loo tumau pea le fa'aletonu o fesootaiga tau telefoni i ni isi o vaega o le atunu'u i le taimi nei. E oo lava fo'i i le tautua tau initaneti ma le cable, o loo maitauina pea le tuai ma fa'aletonu.

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Ina ua fa'atoa mae'a le 'afa

o Gita, na taua e Tuiteleleapaga le tele o ni vaega o laina tetele o fesootaiga a le Bluesky sa fa'aleagaina, o le mafua'aga lea o le fa'aletonu o fesootaiga tau telefoni ma le cable i vaega eseese o le atunu'u.

Ae na taua e Puleleite e faapea, o le fa'aletonu i laina telefoni a le ASTCA, ona o le mafuaaga ua ala ai ona tumau pea le tele o vaega o le atunu'u o loo fa'aletonu ai fesootaiga tau telefoni, ona ua fa'aleagaina pou autu o fesootaiga a le ASTCA sa i Aunu'u ma Lau'i'i.

O le taimi nei, ua mae'a ona oka pou fou e lua ma ua fa'amoemoe e tatau ona taunu'u mai i se taimi o Iuni poo Iulai, ona amata ai loa lea ona fa'apipi'i ma toe fa'aleleia laina telefoni mo fesootaiga.

O le taimi nei, e na o le 47% o laina telefoni i le atunu'u ua mafai ona toe fa'aleleia i nofoaga o loo mafai ona 'au atu i ai fesootaiga, se'i vagana ai lava nofoaga ua fa'aletonu ai a latou pou tetele mo fesootaiga, pau lea o vaega o le atunu'u o loo tumau pea ona fa'aletonu.

Saunoa le afioga i le ali'i faipule ia Kitara Vaiau mai le itumalo o Saole e fa'apea, o se tasi o fa'afitauli sa ia maitauina talu ona mae'a le 'afa, o le tele o laina telefoni e tautau solo i luga o le auala, ma ua ave ma popolega i ni isi o le atunu'u, ina ne'i aafia ai se soifua o se isi.

Saunoa atili Vaiau e fa'apea, o ni isi o taimi ua ave uaea nei e fa'alalava solo ma itu e fa'alavelave ai i ave ta'avale.

Saunoa ni isi o afioga i Faipule e fa'apea, talu lava ona mae'a le 'afa o Gita e le ola atu lava le tautua o laina telefoni a le ASTCA atoa ai ma le initaneti. E ui i fa'asea ma atugaluga e pei ona fa'aalia, ae na fa'afetaia ia Puleleite ona o le auaunaga a lana aufaigaluega, o loo mafai ai ona maua e le atunu'u fesootaiga tau telefoni i le tele o taimi.



O le tina o Matagofie Maføe Fuimaono, lana ulumatua o Jessica ma lana fanau e to'alima, e auau i ai le tama, ua sauni le ui'i e taimi le pese ae usu le isi to'afa o i latou. Matagofie lea vi'iga, ae o le molimau fo'i a le tama'ita'i matua o fanau a fanau, na matua maligi ai lava loifofoga o le au fa'alogologo. [ata: Leua Aiono Frost]



O le fanau a to'atele a Maføe Fuimaono, o ana vasega e a'otauina i matata eseese i le a'oga maua-luga a Nu'uuli Voctech High i Nu'uuli. Ua usuina le latou pese fa'amavae. [ata: Leua Aiono Frost]



O le susuga le ali'i Laufali o Ta'aloga a le JPS, Talataina Valusia, ua ave ma sui o i latou e to'atele fa'apea ma le pulega o i latou e fa'atautaia ta'aloga a a'oga JPS, ina ia saunoa i le toe sauniga mo Aiga ma Uo a le latou uso, na maliu lava o faia ta'aloga a le fanau i le aso To'ona'i, Maføe Fuimaono, ma avatu le latou meaalofa, seleni ma lona la'e i fa'ailo ai o se laufali. [ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

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I le fonotaga na fa'ato'a mae'a atu nei a le Pacific Islands Health Officers Association (PIHOA), sa toatele sui na malaga mai Amerika.

O se tasi o nei sui o se alo o Amerika Samoa, Jason Tu'uao, o lo'o galue i le matagaluega a le fetarale, US Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

"O a'u o se tasi e matua Samoa lava lou tuputupu a'e i lo'u aiga, aua o o'u matua o le fa'afeaiga taulagi EFKAS i Kalefonia. O lo'u tama o Rev. Dr Iese Mapu Tu'uao mai le Auaiga o Paogofie ma le Aiga Sa Paopao mai Pavaiai, ma Fitiuta Manu'a. O lo'u tina o Iaeli Lago'o Tu'uao mai le Aiga Sa Lagoo i Faga'alu ma Ofu i Manu'a," o se tala lea a Tu'uao ina ua fesiligia e le Samoa News.

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Hawaii ma ua avea lava fo'i ma Fa'afeaiga Taulagi a le Ekalesia Samoa fo'i i'ina."

Amatalia a'oga a Tu'uao i Gahr High School i Kalefonia, ona ulufale lea i le Chapman University ma maua ai lon fa'ailoga o le Bachelor of Science in Biology.

Ina ua mae'a le a'oga ma ua maua lea fa'ailoga sa ia fa'aaogaina loa e saili ai sana galuega e feso'otai ma le Soifua Maloloina. Sa fautuaina o ia e se tasi o uso o lona tama, e saili sona avanoa faigaluega i le FDA. Sa amata faigaluega i le FDA i le 2008, peita'i o le atoaga lenei o lona 10 tausaga o galue ai. I le taimi nei, ua avea o ia ma Consumer Safety Officer a le FDA, o se matata o lo'o sili fo'i ona mana'omia e le tatou malo nei, aua o lo'o tele ina fesuisuia'i mai ituaiga mea tausami tu'upepa ma tu'uapa ma tu'ufagu, ua la'uina mai i malo eseese i le tatou nei maketi mo fefa'ataua'iga ma le mamalu o le atunu'u.

O lona Ofisa autu ua i ai nei i Hawaii, ma e le'i faigofie fo'i ona maua lenei tulaga talu mai ona amata faigaluega.

"O le ususita'i ma le fa'alogo, fa'aopopo atu i ai ma le fa'amoemoe tasi i le Atua i le atamai e mo'omia ma tau-mafai atili, na mafai ai ona sologalemu le folauga i le galuega ua faia nei. O le mau teuloto lea a matua e fautuaina ai pea a'u i

aso uma, aua nei galo le punaao na maua mai ai mea uma, ma ia fa'amuamua le Atua i mea uma e manatu e fai," o sana tala lea e tusa o lana taumafaiga i le galuega o tautua ai nei.

"O nei mea uma ua mafai ona maua e lo'u nei sui talavou, e afua mai ona o le nofo tatalo a matua ma le la'ua fo'i fa'atonu ma fa'asino le ala e tatau ona savali ai, o i la'ua na soifua a'e iinei i le fita o ala e saili ai manuia o le tino, ma ua la'ua iloa le faigata o le olaga a'o le'i fa'anofonu'u i le ekalesia i Kalefonia. A'o lei avea i la'ua ma faife'au, sa mua'i a'oga lo'u tina fa'a-Tausima'i ma o lana matata lena sa tau'avea. Peita'i o lo'u tama sa aoga fa'afai'au ma mafua ai ona avea ma Faife'au i le taimi nei."

TA LE ATULE I LE AFIOAGA O FAGASA

Ua mae'a ona ta le Atule i le afio'aga o Fagasa, ma sa va'aia fo'i le a'e manuia o faiva o Tautai o le afio'aga, ma e ui fo'i ina ua mae'a fa'atulaga ogasami e le pulega a Ali'i ma Faipule o le afio'aga e tatau ai ona fagota ma le ogasami ua fa'asa, aua le fa'asao mo a taeao i le gataifale, ae ua va'aia le 'oa o le tai i lea afio'aga.

"O le mau lava lea a le afio'aga, ina ia fai fa'aeteete fo'i sosia o le gataifale, ina ia le afaina aua fo'i tupulaga o fai a'e, ia latou ae'ae i manuia e pei o lenei fo'i vaitau," o se sau-

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[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

The Latest: Mexico says US troops on border won't be armed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Latest on President Donald Trump and immigration (all times local):

The Mexican foreign ministry says U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen has told Mexico's top diplomat that U.S. National Guard troops being deployed to the border "will not carry arms or carry out migration or customs control activities." Mexican Foreign Secretary Luis Videgaray is in Washington on a visit. A foreign ministry statement issued Wednesday night says Nielsen told Videgaray that the troops will only be providing support for Department of Homeland Security work. It says the deployment will be similar to ones in 2006 under President George Bush and in 2010 with President Barack Obama. Trump signed a proclamation earlier Wednesday ordering the secretary of defense to support the Department of Homeland Security in securing the southern border to stop the flow of drugs and migrants.

Arizona Gov. Doug Ducey says his state welcomes the deployment of the National Guard to the U.S.-Mexico border. In a statement Wednesday, Ducey says he looks forward to working closely with federal officials on the issue.

President Donald Trump has ordered the Secretary of Defense to support the Department of Homeland Security in securing the southern border to stop the flow of drugs and people. Ducey says "Washington has ignored this issue for too long and help is needed."

The governor says he's been in touch with Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen multiple times this week and Arizona will cooperate fully with the Trump administration.

President Donald Trump has signed a proclamation directing the National Guard to be deployed to the U.S.-Mexico border. Trump says Wednesday in a memorandum to his secretaries of defense and homeland security and to his attorney general that the "situation at the border has now reached a point of crisis." The document orders the Secretary of Defense to support the Department of Homeland Security in securing the southern border to stop the flow of drugs and people.

And it orders the agency heads to submit a report within 30 days outlining what other steps can be taken.

Trump says that "lawlessness" at the southern border is "fundamentally incompatible with the safety, security, and

sovereignty of the American people." And he says his administration "has no choice but to act." New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez says she appreciates the Trump administration's efforts to involve states as the federal government takes steps to better secure the border.

Martinez spokesman Mike Lonergan said Wednesday that the Republican governor offers her full support to the New Mexico National Guard as the Trump administration announced it would deploy Guardsmen to the southwest border.

The governor's office says the U.S. wouldn't be in the current situation if Congress would act on immigration reforms that address border security.

Martinez often has framed immigration issues as a matter of public safety for New Mexico, and she has been a proponent of close cooperation between local law enforcement and Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

She clashed with Trump on his comments about Mexican immigrants during his campaign for president.

Mexican senators are urging President Enrique Peña Nieto to temporarily suspend cooperation with the U.S. on immigration and security issues, responding to angry tweets from President Donald Trump about their country.

The nonbinding statement was approved unanimously Wednesday. It asks Mexico's government to freeze joint efforts "in the fight against transnational organized crime" until Trump acts "with the civility and respect that the people of Mexico deserve."

The senators condemn the "baseless and offensive comments about Mexico and Mexicans," reject efforts to militarize the countries' shared border and ask the U.S. Congress to insist the president deal with Mexico "on the basis of respect and collaboration."

Peña Nieto told reporters his government is waiting for clarifications about U.S. intentions to send troops to the border before presenting a "very clear" position on the issue.

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott's office says he will add more National Guard members to the roughly 100 already deployed to the U.S.-Mexico border in the state.

Abbott said in a statement Wednesday that he welcomed the Trump administration's announcement that it will "immediately" deploy guardsmen to the southwest border.

Pili e sii ai totogi o laisene o ta'avale fa'aulu i le Maota o Sui

tusia Ausage Fausia

Ua i luma o le maota o sui se pili mo se tulafono tau fa'aofi e fa'atulaga ai totogi fou mo le lesitalaina o ta'avale i le Ofisa o Ta'avale Afi a le malo i Tafuna.

O lenei pili sa fa'aulufale lea e le afioga i le sui fofoga fetalai ia Fetu Fetui Jr, ma o lo o lagoonina e isi afioga i faipule e aofia ai Vesi Tala-lelei Fataunu Jr, Gafatasi Afalava, Lavea Fatulegaae Mauga, Fagaoatua D. Salavea, Sataua Dr. Mataese Samuelu ma Manumaua W. Wilson.

E pei ona taua i le tino o lenei tulafono, o le totogi mo le laisene ave ta'avale fou e \$12 o loo i ai nei, o le a si i luga i le \$20, ae o le laisene ave ta'avale la'upasese e \$8 o loo i ai, o le a sii i luga i le \$13, atoa ai ma le pemitave ta'avale e 6 masina mo i latou fa'atoa amata ona ave ta'avale, e \$10 lea ua sii i ai mai le \$5 o loo i ai.

Mo le fa'afouina o le laisene ave ta'avale e \$12 o loo i ai, o le a si i le \$17, ae mo le laisene ave ta'avale la'upasese e \$8 pe a fa'afou, o le a sii i le \$20. O le laisene ave ta'avale mo le tagata

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E pei ona taua i le tino o lenei tulafono, o le \$5 e maua mai i siitaga e pei ona taua, o le a teuina i totonu o se teugatupe faapitoa i le teugatupe tele a le malo, e fa'amoemoe e fa'aaoga e le Ofisa o Leoleo mo le fa'afouina o a latou mea faigaluega e aofia ai ma le fa'atauina o sapolai e fa'aaoga i le pu'eina o laisene ave ta'avale.

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O le va'aiga i le faiva o Tautai a'e a le afio'aga o Fagasa, ua oso fo'i le Fa ma ua mae'a ona to'ese inati o le aufaigaluega a le Atua, ali'i ma faipule o le afio'aga ae o se sao fo'i mo aiga ta'itasi, Tautai a'e!

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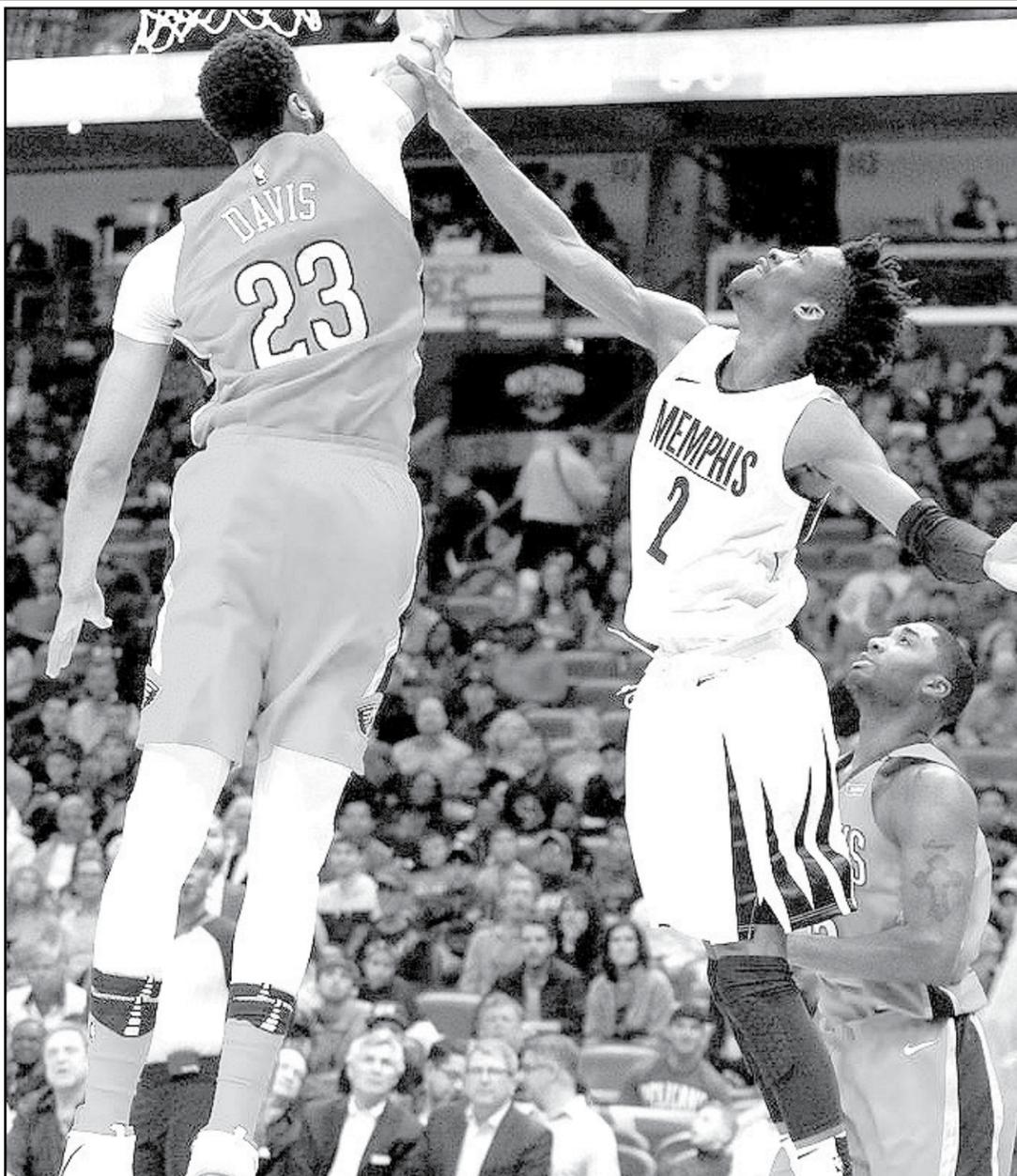
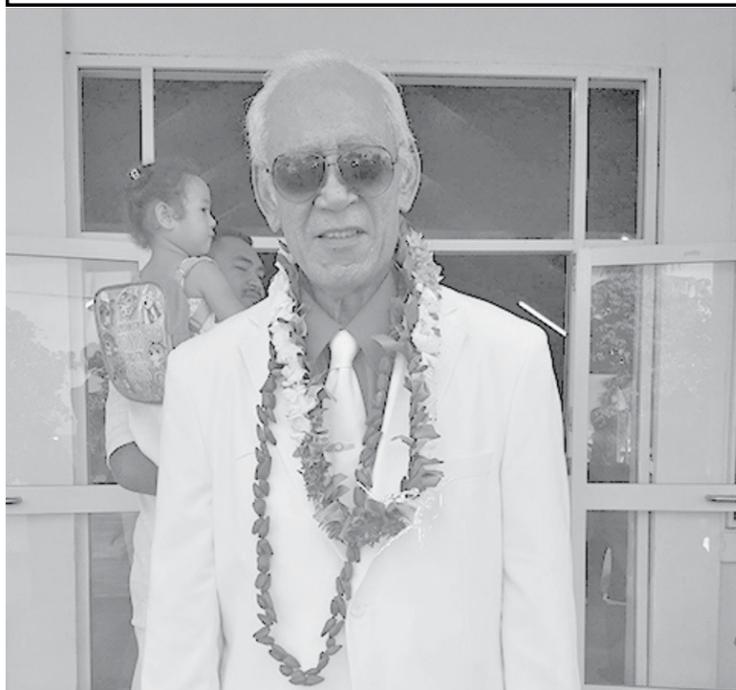


FILE - In this June 20, 2008 file photo, members of the 200th Red Horse Air National Guard Civil Engineering Squadron from Camp Perry in Ohio, including Tech Sgt. David Hughes, right, and Tech Sgt. William Bunker, second from right, work on building a road at the border in Nogales, Ariz. President Donald Trump said April 3, 2018, he wants to use the military to secure the U.S.-Mexico border until his promised border wall is built. The Department of Homeland Security and White House did not immediately respond to requests for comment. At the Pentagon, officials were struggling to answer questions about the plan, including rudimentary details on whether it would involve National Guard members, as similar programs in the past have done. But officials appeared to be considering a model similar to a 2006 operation in which former President George W. Bush deployed National Guard troops to the southern border in an effort to increase security and surveillance. (AP Photo/Ross D. Franklin, file)



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New Orleans Pelicans forward Anthony Davis (23) blocks a shot by Memphis Grizzlies guard Kobi Simmons (2) during the first half of an NBA basketball game in New Orleans, Wednesday, April 4, 2018. (AP Photo/Scott Threlkeld)

Moore, Davis help Pelicans rout Grizzlies 123-95

By LES EAST, Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The New Orleans Pelicans' playoff hopes got a lift from E'Twaun Moore and Anthony Davis' return to form.

Moore scored 30 points, and Davis had 28 points and 12 rebounds to help the Pelicans rout the Memphis Grizzlies 123-95 on Wednesday night.

Davis struggled in the previous two games after twisting an ankle in a loss to Portland on March 27. In subsequent losses to Cleveland and Oklahoma City, he averaged 20.5 points and 9.5 rebounds while making 39 percent of his shots. For the season, Davis has averaged 28.1 points and 11.1 rebounds while making 53.5 percent of his shots.

On Wednesday he made 8 of 13 field goals, 11 of 13 free throws and had three blocks and two steals.

"I was trying to get back to how I was playing, get the team back," Davis said. "I know they feed off my energy, so I just try to come out with a lot of energy on both ends of the floor and try to lead us to a win. It was fun, but we've got to do the same thing next time we play."

The eighth-place Pelicans ended a season-worst, four-game losing streak and increased their lead over idle Denver to a full game for the final playoff spot in the Western Conference. Both teams have four games remaining, and Denver has the tiebreaker after winning the season series.

Moore made a career-high seven 3-pointers in 10 attempts. Nikola Mirotic added 25 points, and Jrue Holiday had 15 for New Orleans.

The Pelicans made 16 of 36 3-pointers and the Grizzlies made 10 of 31.

"I thought we did what we needed to tonight," Pelicans coach Alvin Gentry said. "We got off to a great start. I thought our ball movement was good again. I thought (Davis) was very aggressive at the start of the game. We shot the ball well as a team. We needed to see some 3s go in."

MarShon Brooks scored 25 points, and Ivan

Rabb had 16 for the Grizzlies. They have the second-worst record in the NBA.

Davis had 14 points and five rebounds as New Orleans took a 32-23 lead after one quarter.

Moore scored 13 second-quarter points as the Pelicans increased their lead to 65-53 at halftime.

Mirotic scored seven points as New Orleans began the third quarter with an 18-6 run to take command with an 83-59 lead. The Pelicans led by as many as 32 points in the fourth quarter.

"I think they stepped it up," Grizzlies coach J.B. Bickerstaff said. "They're playing with a lot on the line. They understood the importance of this game and how they needed to win. Look at where they are in the standings. This was a must-win basketball game for them. They gave us their best shot."

TIP-INS

Grizzlies: Memphis lost for the 26th time in its last 29 nine games and for the 31st time in its last 34 road games. ... The Grizzlies fell behind 10-0 as they failed to score until Dillon Brooks made a jumper with 8:42 left in the first quarter.

Pelicans: Rajon Rondo had a game-high 13 assists. ... The Pelicans head out for their final road trip of the regular season, playing their next three games away from home. It's their first multiple-game road trip in four weeks. ... Mirotic replaced Emeka Okafor in the starting lineup. ... The Pelicans won at home for the second time against the Grizzlies, who won the two meetings in Memphis.

PELICANS' CLARK INJURED

Pelicans G Ian Clark, who had emerged as one of the team's top reserves, left the game for good in the second quarter after injuring his right ankle on a drive to the basket. X-rays were negative and Gentry said more would be known after an MRI on the ankle on Thursday. Clark had scored in double figures in seven of his previous 12 games.

UP NEXT

Grizzlies: Memphis hosts Sacramento on Friday.

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 - 5 Stark or strict
 - 10 Powerful gulp
 - 14 Let be known
 - 15 Love muse
 - 16 Sledding site
 - 17 Eye part
 - 18 Causes of Met music swellings
 - 19 Stew with some kick
 - 20 Lite beverages
 - 23 Not easy to please
 - 24 Necessities
 - 25 Plentiful
 - 28 Necklace component
 - 30 Concluded
 - 31 Noted drummer
 - 33 Informal matriarchs
 - 36 Certain unintended consequences
 - 40 Room lender
 - 41 Rawhide snaggers
 - 42 Firing range stuff
 - 43 Claim no more
 - 44 Not on the lookout
 - 46 Weight revealer
 - 49 Long, heroic stories
- 51** Things made before the wedding
- 57** Businessman Perot
- 58** Relating to birds
- 59** Went rapidly
- 60** Some narrative writing
- 61** Far from gung-ho
- 62** Praise lavishly
- 63** Spot from afar
- 64** Wrestling milieu
- 65** Common bills
- DOWN**
- 1 Earring variety
 - 2 Jeans maker
 - 3 Sheltered on the water
 - 4 Bandstand, e.g.
 - 5 "Ghostbusters" car type
 - 6 Hanging tapestry
 - 7 Like April
 - 8 Racked animal
 - 9 Water supplier
 - 10 Flicked away
 - 11 Writer Oscar
 - 12 Epic of Troy
- 13** Lip shiner
- 21** Word we share
- 22** Down greedily
- 25** Vast desert
- 26** Cosmetics biggie
- 27** Communist Trotsky
- 28** Some are paper, some plastic
- 29** Center of differences?
- 31** Appease, as hunger
- 32** Short explosive
- 33** Viral internet thing
- 34** Highest point
- 35** Cease
- 37** Arab leader (var.)
- 38** Get - of link
- 39** High voice
- 43** Nowhere near crude
- 44** Meeting schedule
- 45** Frodo's pal
- 46** Shopping bout
- 47** Corn and others
- 48** Fable author
- 49** Shoot from a distance
- 50** A second time
- 52** "Pro" follower
- 53** Swear it's so
- 54** Whistled hour
- 55** Not false
- 56** Readies, as 10 pins

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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EUGENIA LAST

Thursday, April 5, 2018

THE LAST WORD IN ASTROLOGY



Happy Birthday: Keep your facts straight and dig deep if you don't trust what someone is telling you. Accuracy and truth will count this year, whether dealing with personal or professional matters. Using legitimate information to get your point across will make it easier for you to overcome any negativity or opposition you face this year. Do your own thing. Your numbers are 8, 15, 21, 23, 27, 35, 44.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Size up a situation and set your course. Showing consistency as well as understanding and insight regarding solutions will impress even your most aggressive opponent. Not getting trapped in someone else's dilemma or sideshow will help you avoid unwanted controversy. 5 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): The less information you share with others, the better. Learn by showing interest and letting others reveal opinions and knowledge that can help you make wise choices. The more you know about others, the greater the control you will have. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A partnership looks inviting. Brainstorming with someone you've done business with in the past, and who has as unique an outlook as you, will lead to optimum results. Put everything in writing and lay down some ground rules before moving forward. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Getting along with people you deal with every day is key to forming good connections that can benefit you when you need a favor. Troubled relationships will lead to an ongoing feud. Know when to cut ties. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Business trips, meetings and collaborating with people you share similarities with will encourage you to make smart choices. A change in the workplace or where you reside will lead to an unexpected opportunity. Welcome new beginnings and friendships. 5 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Business and networking events will prove interesting and lead to valuable insight into new and exciting opportunities. Don't let anyone close to you use emotional tactics to discourage you from following your dream. If you want something, go after it. 2 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Spend quality time with someone who motivates you. Sharing information and plans for the future will encourage you to make positive changes at home as well as to your relationship. An older relative will need your help. 4 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Aim for greater security and stability. Look for a position that honors what you have to contribute, and put your best foot forward. Being unique and offering something that will make a difference will be satisfying and energizing. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will be judged by how you handle situations. Step up and make a difference at home, work or when dealing with anyone you encounter. Having a positive attitude and being willing to lend a helping hand are encouraged. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Someone pushing you to make a contribution to something you know little about will mislead you. Get the lowdown before you commit to anything that requires more than you are willing to offer. Deal with problems at home before helping outsiders. 3 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): What you contribute you will get back. Putting in an honest day's work and sharing your ideas with people with similar goals will bring good results. A moneymaking opportunity looks promising. A professional move or advancement is apparent. 4 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may think you know best or someone may allude to knowing more than you, but in the end, be sure to do your own research and sit tight until you are sure you aren't going to face a loss. 2 stars

Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren



MAN'S DECISION TO KEEP CANCER A SECRET COULD IMPACT OTHERS

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing in response to the man who wants to keep his cancer prognosis secret until he hears the end ("Keeping It to Myself," Jan. 11). My mother was diagnosed with metastatic lung cancer that had spread to her brain. Her dizziness is how we found out. She didn't want to tell anyone for a while (which surprised me because she had always been a drama queen and a hypochondriac), but she ended up telling. It was the best thing she could have done. The four of us kids were there with her through her treatments, she became much closer to the sister she had spent decades hating and she found out who her true friends were. Mom lived four years, until she finally passed in 2006. It's still raw for me. But I'm grateful for the time we had to get closer and share our lives. I hope "Keeping" takes your advice and tells his friends. If he does, he may find these hard times to be some of the "best" times. That's what my mom said. -- CLAUDIA IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for sharing. I opened the question to my readers, and like you, most -- but not all -- agreed with my answer. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: As a former cancer patient and licensed therapist, I'd urge "Keeping" not to share that information if he doesn't want to. Truth is, not all people who hear the news will be supportive. Some will avoid him, some will pity him, and others will say amazingly inappropriate and unhelpful things. A prognosis of two years is a long time for people to react to him -- and for him to handle their reactions. I found it stressful to cope with the emotions of others as they reacted to my situation. Until "Keeping" is ready, he should be cautious about with whom he shares his diagnosis. -- LYN IN NEW YORK

DEAR ABBY: After chemo and clinical trials failed to contain my husband's cancer, he was told he had less than a year to live. We had already shared the initial prognosis with family and friends. Loved ones from near and far have visited him, called and emailed. Their visits have done more for his quality of life than any drug, and have probably extended it. He has also made once-in-a-lifetime trips this past year with siblings, which would not have happened if we had waited to disclose his prognosis. Our adult children and grandchildren have spent more time with us and have become more loving and tolerant of each other. "Keeping's" next two years are a blessing and a gift. I hope he uses every moment wisely. -- DEBRA IN TEXAS

DEAR ABBY: I was in the same situation and, for me, it was not even a choice. I felt I had to tell everyone in our circle. The result was a warm outpouring of support and concern, even from neighbors we barely knew, which particularly helped my wife.

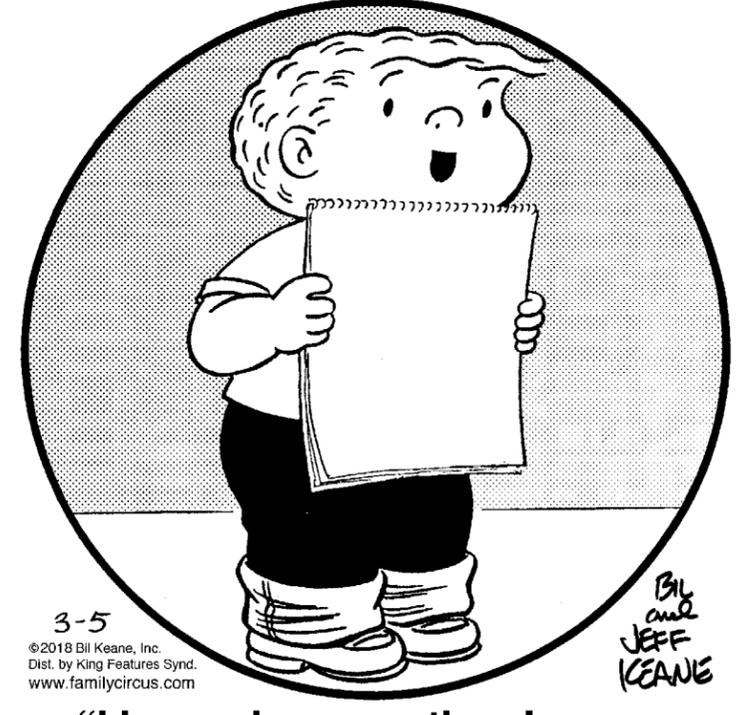
I have been very fortunate. My new treatment worked, I am now in remission, and we no longer need day-to-day support. But we have wonderful memories of people who were eager to help. We have established deeper friendships and the experience has made US more generous, too. -- MIKE IN OREGON

DEAR ABBY: Your advice was spot-on. My mother was in stage 4 pancreatic cancer and refused to let me tell anyone, even her siblings. When she died, it was my responsibility to spread the news, only to be berated by everyone who loved her. Relatives and close neighbors were devastated that they hadn't been able to have a final visit or the chance to prepare themselves for the loss. -- LISA IN CALIFORNIA

4/5 **MID-RANGE** By Timothy E. Parker

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



"I learned my months: January, February, Marchuary ..."

Ripley's **Believe It or Not!**

NEPENTHES ATTENBOROUGHII — A TYPE OF PITCHER PLANT FOUND IN THE PHILIPPINES — CAN DIGEST STILL-LIVING RATS WHOLE.

IN 2015, COSTCO SOLD MORE HOT DOGS AT THEIR FOOD COURTS THAN ALL MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL GAMES COMBINED.

CHRIS RIDER, AKA HAIRCULESE, OF YORK, PENNSYLVANIA, ROUTINELY SQUEEZES US PENNIES INTO THE SHAPE OF A TACO BY HAND IN UNDER 60 SECONDS.

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WHY DOES THE SUN SET?

IT'S BECAUSE HOT AIR RISES. THE SUN'S HOT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE DAY, SO IT RISES HIGH IN THE SKY.

IN THE EVENING THEN, IT COOLS DOWN AND SETS.

WHY DOES IT GO FROM EAST TO WEST?

SOLAR WIND. DEAR!

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by Bill Watterson

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"THE SIX BUNNY-WUNNIES GO TO LONG BEACH"... "THE SIX BUNNY-WUNNIES MAKE COOKIES"... "THE SIX BUNNY-WUNNIES JOIN AN ENCOUNTER GROUP"

YOU'RE THE ONLY PERSON I KNOW WHO HAS THE WHOLE SET..

IT WAS A BONUS FOR JOINING THE BEAGLE BOOK CLUB

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by Charles M. Schultz

BETTER! NOW LET'S HEAR SOME WARNING SHOTS!

MILL-TARTED BORDER

ARMING WHAT USED TO BE A TEACHER.

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Sudoku Pacific

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

Wednesday's Puzzle Answer

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by Chris Brown

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REALLY? YOU LIKE IT THAT MUCH?

NO! IT'S JUST THE BEST WAY TO BUILD UP AN IMMUNITY!

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CATS ARE FAST

FASTER THAN THE EYE CAN SEE

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