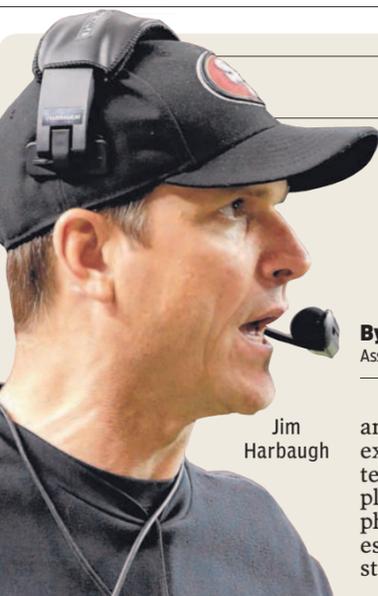


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Jim Harbaugh

SUPERBAUGH XLVII

Jim, John Harbaugh ready for rematch at Super Bowl

By Janie McCauley
Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — Jim and John Harbaugh have exchanged a handful of text messages, and they plan to leave it at that. No phone conversations necessary while the season's still going. No time for

pleasantries, even for the friendly siblings.

There is work to be done to prepare for the Super Bowl, prepare for each other, prepare for a history-making day already being widely hyped as "Harbowl" or "Superbaugh" depending which nickname you prefer.

"It doesn't matter who the coach is, what relationship you have with the person on the other side," 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh said so matter-of-factly Monday afternoon.

Their parents sure aren't picking sides for

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John Harbaugh

SAN FRANCISCO VS. BALTIMORE

When: 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 3
Where: Superdome, New Orleans
TV: CBS
Opening Line: 49ers by 5

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

PROVING GROUNDS

Incarnate Word showing last season was no fluke

By Stuart Duncan
Special to the Caller-Times

IWA girls basketball coach Malcolm Smith didn't have to ask his players this season to go out and prove that the program's incredible turnaround last season wasn't a fluke.

The defending TAPPS 3-4A champion Angels were already way ahead of Smith there.

"One of the girls said the other day, 'Coach, I want to go out and prove that wasn't just a one-time shot,'" Smith said of IWA going 8-0 in district play last season after a 1-7 district campaign the previous season. "They're very determined to go out there and prove that we can play."

IWA (19-10) is showing just that. After dropping three games to Aransas Pass last season, the Angels responded this season with a 57-44 victory over the preseason state-ranked Class 2A Panthers in the championship game of the Sinton Rotary Classic recently.

"We're getting better," said Smith, whose team made the playoffs last season for the first time since 2008. "Our girls were ready to play (at the Sinton tournament) because they were tired of getting beat (by Aransas Pass). We played a really good game against them."

That came after IWA lost to the Panthers 61-59 in the championship game of Aransas Pass' Best of the Bay tournament earlier this season. The Angels also fell to state-ranked Class 3A West Oso 44-43 in a non-district road game.

Smith said he has learned just as much about IWA from its losses this

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Incarnate Word's Ashley Zawicky and the Angels are 2-1 in district play after going 8-0 last season.

AUSTRALIAN OPEN



Li will face either Maria Sharapova or Ekaterina Makarova in the semifinals.

Li Na advances to semis

American teen Stephens to face Serena

By John Pyle
Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia—Li Na advanced to the Australian Open semifinals for the third time in four years, bringing fourth-seeded Agnieszka Radwanska's 13-match winning streak to a shuddering halt.

Sixth-seeded Li, who lost the 2011 Australian Open final to Kim Clijsters only months before her Grand Slam breakthrough at the French Open, had a 7-5, 6-3 victory over Radwanska in Tuesday's first match on Rod Laver Arena.

"She's a tough player. I was feeling today against a wall," Li said. "She can hit everywhere, but without a mistake. I was feeling just very tough. You have to focus on every shot. Not every point, every shot."

Radwanska came into the Australian Open with titles this season at Auckland and Sydney, where she beat Li in the semifinals, but continued her poor conversation rate in Grand Slam quarterfinals. She's only advanced further once in seven tries — at Wimbledon last year, when she lost the final to Serena Williams.

Sixth-seeded Li will play the winner of Tuesday's later all-Russian quarterfinal between No. 2-ranked Maria Sharapova, who conceded only five games in her first four matches at Melbourne Park, and Ekaterina Makarova.

"At least now I'm in the semis," Li said. Sharapova, "has to play, so... Right? Now I can start now to enjoy my day. She has to fight, yeah. So that's better."

The quarterfinals on

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NBA

Duncan, Parker rally Spurs past 76ers

Duo combines for 44 points in 90-85 win without Ginobili

By Dan Gelston
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — As the 76ers' lead grew, the fans got louder, the fourth quarter a bit more wild.

It didn't get unpredictable. At

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least, not to anyone on the Spurs.

Tim Duncan and Tony Parker have thrived in situations more uncomfortable than trailing on the road in the fourth against a sub-.500 team.

Duncan and Parker pushed back hard-charging Philadelphia late in the game to lead San Antonio to its fifth straight win, 90-85 over the

Philadelphia 76ers on Monday night.

Duncan had his fifth double-double of the season with 24 points and 17 rebounds, and Parker had 20 points. The Spurs blew a 17-point lead in the first half before rallying late in the fourth to win again without guard Manu Ginobili. Ginobili is still out with a strained left hamstring.

After the Sixers turned the

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The Spurs' Tim Duncan shoot over the 76ers' Spencer Hawes in the first half Monday in Philadelphia. Duncan had 24 points and 17 rebounds in San Antonio's 90-85 victory.

SPORTS



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Penn State coach Joe Paterno died of lung cancer on Jan. 22, 2012, at age 85. Community residents have organized a vigil at a downtown mural today that includes a depiction of Paterno.

Vigil planned to remember Paterno 1 year after his death

By Genaro C. Armas
Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — From bumper stickers to signs posted by a few businesses to the occasional T-shirt, reminders of Joe Paterno sprinkle Happy Valley.

Most cues are subtle enough to make an outsider look twice. Like the decals with the outline of the bespectacled Paterno's distinctive face, or the shirt with the image of the longtime Penn State coach's trademark look of rolled-up khakis and sneakers.

A year after his death, Paterno and a reputation tarnished in the aftermath of the child sex abuse scandal involving retired assistant coach Jerry Sandusky remain sensitive topics for groups of alumni, former players, staffers and community residents.

The Hall of Fame coach died of lung cancer on Jan. 22, 2012, at age 85. Today — exactly a year after his passing — community residents have organized a vigil at a downtown mural that includes a depiction of Paterno.

A family spokesman has said the Paternos would not take part and remain in privacy.

Their supporters, though, spoke up at a recent meeting of the university's Board of Trustees.

Most critics are angered by how school leaders handled Paterno's ouster as coach and the explosive findings of the internal investigation led by former FBI director Louis Freeh that put part of the blame on Paterno.

Others say the school hasn't done enough to honor a 46-year career in which Paterno was known for focusing on academics and philanthropy as well as football.

"The university should lead the way and not sit in silence," said Ed Stine, 62, of Gaithersburg, Md., a member of the alumni watchdog group "Penn Staters for Responsible Stewardship." He was one of at least one of at least four dozen audience members who applauded or praised speakers who paid tribute to Paterno at the meeting.

The man who built Penn State's program into one of college football's marquee brands was fired in November 2011, days after Sandusky's arrest on molestation and other charges. The trustees had said Paterno was ousted in part because he had a moral obligation to pass on to police out-

side the university a 2002 allegation that was relayed to him by a graduate assistant.

Sandusky was convicted in June on dozens of criminal counts, allegations that authorities said occurred on and off campus. In July, former FBI director Louis Freeh accused Paterno and three former school administrators of concealing allegations against Sandusky to protect the school's image.

The NCAA took unprecedented action two weeks later in levying strict sanctions including a four-year bowl ban, strict scholarship cuts and a \$60 million fine on the university. College sports' governing body also vacated 111 wins under Paterno, erasing what had been his major college record of 409 career victories.

Paterno's family has vehemently denied Freeh's conclusions and has maintained the coach would not take part in a cover-up. They have said they expect to release its response to Freeh's report in the near future.

The trustees have maintained over the past year that they intend to honor Paterno at some point. When asked last week, a couple trustees cited ongoing legal issues related to the scandal.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS NOTEBOOK West Oso closing in on another perfect slate

By Stuart Duncan
Special to the Caller-Times

State-ranked West Oso is on pace to run the table in its district again.

The 14th-ranked Bears girls basketball team (21-7 overall), which went 10-0 in District 31-3A last season, has won its first five 30-3A games by double-digit margins.

Returning Region IV-3A semifinalist West Oso has won its district games so convincingly, that Sinton and Rockport-Fulton are the only 30-3A teams to come within 25 points of the Bears in their head-to-head matchups this season.

"We're really focused on getting the district title right now," said West Oso senior forward Britany Clark, who scored a game-high 26 points in the Bears' 61-30 road win over Orange Grove on Friday. "(After that), then we're going to focus on regionals and try to make it to state."

Coach Roy Williams' team didn't allow a point in the third quarter of West Oso's 72-21 district victory over Ingleside this past Tuesday. Clark scored a game-high 21 points for the Bears, who also got 14 points from freshman forward Victoria Blankenship and 11 points from junior forward Akeyla Mitchell.

West Oso will look to take a couple of more steps closer toward the 30-3A title this week. The Bears host Sinton at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday before traveling to Rockport for their rematch with the Pirates at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

ARANSAS PASS

Aransas Pass beat state-ranked Vanderbilt Industrial for the second straight time in 30-2A play with a 52-32 road victory over the 25th-ranked Cobras on Friday.

It was the Panthers' fifth consecutive district win after they started 30-2A play 2-2 this season.

Aransas Pass (20-7, 7-2) hosts previously state-ranked Goliad at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday.

BISHOP

Bishop outscored Santa Gertrudis Academy 42-15 in the first half en route to cruising past the Lions 74-42 in a 32-2A game this past weekend.

Sabrina Rivera's game-high 30 points and three 3-pointers led the Badgers (19-8, 9-0), who also got 14 points from Victoria Ramirez.

FALFURRIAS

Falfurrias closed its 32-2A game with a 14-4 run to erase a three-point deficit and beat Riviera 35-28 this past Friday.

Elissa Montalvo scored a game-high 18 points for the Jersey Belles (18-9, 8-1), who remained one game behind 32-2A leader Bishop.

MOODY

District 31-4A leader Moody used an 18-12 fourth-quarter run to overcome a two-point deficit and beat Laredo Cigarroa 54-50 this past Friday.

Alyssa Salinas and Taylor Williams scored 14 points each to lead the Trojans (18-11, 9-0), who also got 10 points from Yliana Salinas.

PORT ARANSAS

State-ranked Port Aransas scored more than 70 points in each of its past two games in improving to 5-0 in 31-A, Division I.

The 10th-ranked Marlins (23-4 overall) routed Agua Dulce 71-24 and Pre-mont 77-4 last week.

Savannah Ortiz (16 points), Anna Roberson (16 points), Summer Hernandez (12) and Madison Ray (10) scored in double figures for Port Aransas against the Longhorns.

RAY

Ray forward Ari Espinoza played in her first two games since suffering a concussion in a recent game against Alice.

Espinoza scored a game-high 20 points and had two 3-pointers in leading the Texans (22-7, 8-1) past Laredo Martin 72-30 this past Friday. Espinoza also tallied two points in Ray's 47-33 home win over Flour Bluff earlier in the week.

ROCKPORT-FULTON

Rockport-Fulton remained one game behind 30-3A leader West Oso thanks to its 42-35 triumph over Sinton last week.

Mona Nguyen scored a game-high 13 points for R-F (10-16, 4-1), which also got a combined three 3-pointers from Shayla Ledger and Leeanne Berckmoes.

Courtney Reopelle and Taylor Kolodziej combined for 21 points and two 3-pointers for Sinton, which fell to 3-2 in district play.

TAFT

Taft remained unbeaten in 31-2A with two key wins last week.

The Greyhounds outlasted George West in overtime 61-59 earlier in the week before beating Skidmore-Tynan 49-40 this past weekend.

Emily Flores was the leading scorer for Taft (21-8, 9-0) in both of those games, as she had 20 points against the Longhorns and 21 points and three 3-pointers against the Bobcats.

TULOSO-MIDWAY

After falling to previously state-ranked Beeville at home recently to drop to 2-4 in 30-4A play, Tuloso-Midway coach Hector Serna was convinced the Cherokees still had a shot to make the playoffs.

Serna wasn't kidding. Not by a long shot.

T-M made eight 3-pointers in stunning state-ranked Victoria East 55-43 last week to hand the 24th-ranked Titans their first 30-4A loss of the season.

"There's no telling what's going to happen," Serna said. "There are five teams fighting for third and fourth place."

Cami Horman and Deserae Iglesias combined for six 3-pointers and 31 points to lead the Cherokees past Victoria East. Lauren Turner and Leah Alley (who also scored 14 points) combined for the other two 3-pointers in the game for T-M.

The Cherokees (19-10, 4-4) then rallied from a nine-point, second-half deficit to beat Port Lavaca Calhoun 57-48 on the road this past Friday. Horman and Turner combined for 33 points and seven 3-pointers in that game.

T-M hosts district rival Calallen at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Tennis stars Evert, Davenport try acting

Duo play themselves on episode of 'CSI'

By Beth Harris
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Chris Evert and Lindsay Davenport are taking a swing at acting as guest stars on "CSI." Some script revisions were in order, though, when the retired tennis champions shot their scenes.

Evert, Davenport and tennis commentator Justin Gimelstob all play themselves on Wednesday's episode of the CBS series starring Ted Danson and Elisabeth Shue, a friend of Evert.

According to Evert, the original script called for Davenport to find the body of a female pro player that sets the episode in motion.

Evert recalled thinking: "Oh, my God, Lindsay has a scene where she has to act."



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Lindsay Davenport, along with Chris Evert and Justin Gimelstob, will guest star Wednesday on an episode of "CSI."

"She never likes attention," Evert said.

Davenport read the script and said, "I had a panic attack. I was like, 'There's no way.'"

By the time Evert arrived at Calabasas Tennis Club for filming, Gimelstob was being fingered as the suspect.

"Most things that come to me that are outside my comfort zone are things

that I don't want to do," Davenport said. "You either have that personality or you don't."

Gimelstob egged both Evert and Davenport on, although Evert didn't need too much persuasion. She hosted "Saturday Night Live" in 1989 and played a commentator in the movie "Wimbledon."

Shue is a big tennis fan and urged the "CSI" writ-

ers to pen an episode involving the sport. She's played in Evert's charity event in Florida and the Hall of Famer said the actress' game makes her "one of the best women celebrities I've ever seen."

So who flubbed their lines?

"Oh my Lord, that's not a nice question," Evert said. "We came prepared. I don't know if we were any good. Justin probably took it more seriously than we did."

Shue's character interrogates Evert, and the two trade shots on the court in a scene that took a good part of their 10-hour day to set up and shoot. Cameras filmed each woman's side of the court at least 10 times and then pulled back to film the entire court.

"It was just like commenting. Like we do at Wimbledon, it's hurry up and wait," Evert said. "The first year I did commenting it was like, 'Whoa, this is a lot of doing nothing.'"

time, 64-61.

"We make a few foul shots and it's a completely different game," said Smith, whose team also had two players foul out of the game.

IWA lost despite Angels senior guard Madison Longwell's clutch 3-pointer with 11 seconds remaining in regulation, which tied the game at 54 and eventually sent it into the extra session.

The Angels rebounded to beat Texas Military Institute 52-31 and Austin San Dominic Savio 66-48 this past week to improve to 2-1 in district play.

Sophomore guard Christina Matl and junior guard/forward Cassidy Faight combined for 32 points for IWA

at home against San Dominic Savio on Saturday.

Angels junior guard Ashley Zawicky — who with sophomore post Bianca Valderrama and Longwell are the team's three returning starters from last season's 27-7 area playoff team — scored a team-high 14 points against TMI earlier in the week, while junior guard Maggie Pesek added 11 points.

IWA junior guard/forward Annika Johnson scored six points against TMI while playing in just her second game of the season. Johnson missed the Angels' previous games this season because she tore a ligament behind her knee during the team's

first preseason scrimmage, Smith said.

Johnson also had six points in the district opener against the Lions.

"She did really well," Smith said. "She's going to help us when she gets back in the groove."

With just the one senior on this year's team, IWA could prove to be a district title contender for years to come.

"We've got some good kids and we've got some good seventh and eighth graders coming up, so we're pretty excited about the program as a whole," Smith said. "We're going to keep upgrading our (non-district) schedule and get back to where we were in the old days."



Incarnate Word sophomore post Bianca Valderrama is one of three returning starters from last season's 27-7 area playoff team.

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