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Memphis Showboats mourn loss at home



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MEMPHIS- The Memphis Showboats of the new United Football League (UFL) played their home opener on April 6 at Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium against the San Antonio Brahmas losing 20-19. The Showboats led nearly the entire game. They came into the 4th quarter up 16-0. The lead could have been even

wider but the Showboats settled for field goals on 4 possessions. Three of those ended inside the 5-yard line.

San Antonio scored all 20 of their points in the 4th quarter. Their 2nd touchdown came with less than a minute left in the game and no timeouts. They then took advantage of a uniquely UFL rule that allows a team to take a 4th down and 12 rather than attempt an onside kick. Quarterback Chase Garbers's pass made the conversion. Three plays later he found Cody Latimer in the end-zone for a score to make it 20-19 with 3 seconds left.

"Probably one of the most disappointing losses I've ever been a part of," said Showboats coach John DeFilippo.

The Showboats are now 1-1 on the young season. They won their 1st game in Birmingham last week. They now go on the road for 2 weeks. The team returns home on April 28 when they will meet the Michigan Panthers.

U.S. Army and UFL announce giant exclusive partnership



WASHINGTON, D.C and ARLINGTON, TX – APRIL 6, 2024 – The United Football League ("UFL") announced an exclusive partnership with The United States Army (the "Army") in which the Army has been named the Presenting Partner of the League. Together the two organizations will collaborate on leadership development initiatives, community engagement events, and increasing awareness of the opportunities the Army and UFL offer young leaders and athletes to create the future they want. The UFL and the Army will leverage each other's platforms – including the broadcast and dig-

ital platforms of the UFL partners, which include FOX, Disney (ESPN/ABC), Dany Garcia and Dwayne Johnson – to reach diverse, new audiences across the nation.

As part of the agreement, the Army logo will be featured on all UFL gameday jerseys as well as on the fifty-yard line at games. There will be Army activations at UFL games, including a spotlight honoring veterans and current Army personnel who have served our nation.

The UFL and the Army will also work together to host community events and create bespoke programs to raise awareness and re-

cruit the next generation of leaders in local UFL markets.

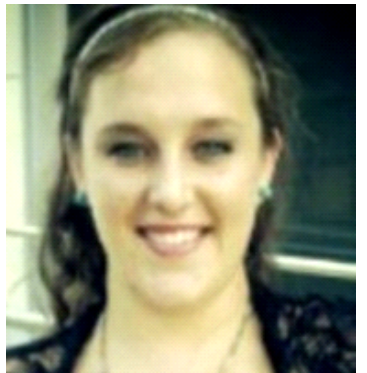
No matter the life goal, the Army accelerates the lives of young leaders from all walks of life. In addition to the many tangible benefits - including college tuition, professional development and career training programs, comprehensive health care, family benefits and more – those who answer the call to serve experience a timeless sense of purpose alongside great teammates.

Russ Brandon, President and CEO of United Football League "It is an honor and a privilege to Please see sports-Military 2

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Welcome, Travelers!

FedEx St. Jude tickets on sale for the August 14-18 event at TPC Southwind

MEMPHIS, Tennessee – Tournament officials announced today that Daily Grounds and upgraded Michelob ULTRA Athletic Club tickets are now on sale to the general public for the 2024 FedEx St. Jude Championship as

season with only 50 players advancing to the following week's BMW Championship. TPC Southwind plays host to the four-day, no-cut opening Playoffs event for the third year.

Since 1958, the PGA TOUR alongside hometown-hero FedEx, has created meaningful impact within the local Memphis community. Every constituent involved in the FedEx St. Jude Championship is committed to rallying behind the life-saving work of St. Jude and showcasing their efforts on a world stage. Through food, music, art, and fashion, Memphians get a sense of pride knowing their values, traditions and passions are not only represented on-site but viewed by a global audience. To purchase tickets, please visit FedExChampionship.com/tickets.

Daily Grounds
Daily Grounds tickets for the 2024 FedEx St. Jude Championship are available Wednesday through Sunday, with tickets to competition rounds starting at \$72 plus tax and fees. Tickets are

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the PGA TOUR returns to Memphis for the opening event of the FedExCup Playoffs from Aug. 14-18.

Golf's postseason begins at the 2024 FedEx St. Jude Championship, which invites the top 70 players in the FedExCup Playoffs and Eligibility Points List at the conclusion of the regular



Cong. Virginia Foxx praises NAIA's vote to protect women's sports

WASHINGTON, April 8, 2024 – Education and the Workforce Committee Chairwoman Virginia Foxx (R-NC) issued the following statement on the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics' (NAIA) vote to protect women's sports:

"Allowing biological males to compete in women's sports is a travesty—one that the Biden administration is enabling with its radical interpretation of Title IX. The result? Women are being denied equal opportunity—the very purpose of Title IX. This administration appears to be fine with kicking girls off a sports team to make way for biological males. The real-world impact means fewer college scholarships and in turn fewer opportunities for these girls. And it is truly upsetting.

"Sports are about competition and fair play; allowing biological males to compete against women jeopardizes both of those things. I am pleased to see the NAIA recognize this and take action to protect women's sports. It's time for others to step up."

NFL raises helmet safety with record-high new testing results

NEW YORK — April 9, 2024 — The NFL and NFLPA announced today the introduction of five new helmets for the 2024 season that tested better than any helmet ever worn in the league, reflecting a significant advancement in helmet safety innovation. In total, a record 12 new helmet models are eligible for players to wear for the 2024 season.

This year, there will also be more position-specific helmets available to players than ever be-

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fore, with eight new position-specific models introduced this season. These helmets are designed to mitigate impacts more likely to be sustained by individual positions.

The designs of position-specific and all helmet models are informed in part by game impact data that the league collects and shares with helmet manufacturers.

After first becoming available to offensive and defensive linemen in 2022 and quarterbacks in 2023, 2024 will be the third season that position-specific helmets are available for certain positions.

"We're proud to see so many new helmets continue the rapid rate of improvement we've seen over the past decade," said Jeff Miller, NFL Executive Vice President overseeing Player

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