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72°/52° 76°/56° 76°/59°

Complete forecast, B6

SPORTS



Mr. Golf

Ian Thompson writes about three people who are being inducted into the Birmingham Golf Association's Hall of Fame. **C1**



Calling it quits

Denver Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning is retiring after 18 NFL seasons. **C1**

LOCAL

Sundown Lecture Series

Tuscaloosa-area residents can take a virtual tour of Tuscaloosa's history and learn about a digital collection of more than 2,000 photos and documents about Tuscaloosa, Northport and surrounding areas. **B1**



Looking Back

Betty Slowe writes about what was going on in Tuscaloosa during the past century. **B1**

NATION/WORLD



Suicide attack kills at least 47 in Iraq

A suicide bomber rammed his explosives-laden fuel truck into a security checkpoint south of Baghdad on Sunday, killing at least 47 people and wounding dozens, officials said. **A3**

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NANCY REAGAN ~ 1921-2016

Saying goodbye to Nancy Reagan

By Christopher Weber
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Nancy Reagan, the helpmate, backstage adviser and fierce protector of Ronald Reagan in his journey from actor to president — and finally during his 10-year battle with Alzheimer's disease — has died. She was 94.

The former first lady died Sunday at her home in the Bel-Air section of Los Angeles of congestive heart failure,

assistant Allison Borio told The Associated Press.

Her best-known project as first lady was the "Just Say No" campaign to help kids and teens stay off drugs.

When she swept into the White House in 1981, the former Hollywood actress partial to designer gowns and pricey china was widely dismissed as a pre-feminist throwback, concerned only with fashion, decorating



President Ronald Reagan and his wife, Nancy, wave from windows of his hospital room at the Navy Medical Center July 18, 1985, in Bethesda, Md. ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTOS

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EASTER EGG HUNT

Eggs-ellent event



Presley Morgan, 10 months, sits in the grass surrounded by plastic eggs. ERIN NELSON/STAFF PHOTOS

UA group distributes more than 26,000 candy-filled eggs to children

By Kyarra Harris
Special to The Tuscaloosa News

A couple of hundred parents and children enjoyed perfect egg-hunting weather Sunday afternoon during the annual Easter egg hunt, held at the University of Alabama President's Mansion.

Residents of the Tuscaloosa community were invited to bring their children and hunt for more than 26,000 eggs on a sunny day with comfortable temperatures in the low 70s.

The event was hosted by the Alabama Panhellenic Association. The organization holds



David Doyle, 11, and his sister Claire, 9, sit on the sidewalk and open plastic eggs to see what candy is inside each of them.

Online See more photos from the Panhellenic Easter Egg Hunt at www.tuscaloosaneews.com.

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HEALTH DANGERS

States, federal government seek limits on painkillers

By Christine Vestal
Stateline.org (TNS)

As medical director for the Washington state workers' compensation program in 2001, Dr. Gary Franklin made a chilling discovery: Otherwise healthy workers who took painkillers for minor injuries were ending up dead a few years later.

"It was shocking," Franklin said. "Workers are on the job, they report a back sprain, and then they are dead." In dozens of cases, patients had been prescribed opioid painkillers for chronic pain. Most had taken drugs like OxyContin tentatively for months or years.

Doctors were prescribing high doses of opioid painkillers in most other states too. Doctors and their patients had been assured the pills were safe, and yet thousands of people were dying. "They would take one more pill before going to bed and never wake up," Franklin said.

Now, governors, presidential candidates and major health care organizations are calling for limits on the number and strength of opioids prescribed. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is close to issuing national guidelines to curb liberal opioid-prescribing practices.

"It isn't drug dealers that are on our South American border that are our biggest challenge," Democratic Vermont Gov. Peter Shumlin said last month at a meeting of the National Governors Association. "It is our drug dealers who are FDA-approved selling the stuff in every

SEE LIMIT, A5

EDMUND PETTUS BRIDGE

Selma marks 51st anniversary of 'Bloody Sunday'

The Associated Press

SELMA — Selma on Sunday marks the 51st anniversary of the voting rights demonstration that came to be known as "Bloody Sunday."

U.S. Rep. John Lewis of Georgia, one of the demonstrators beaten in Selma on March 7, 1965, recalled the beatings in a speech at a Selma church, The Selma Times-Journal reported. Lewis urged the crowd to keep

fighting for justice and not to be afraid to stir up "good trouble" in the sake of justice.

"They came to beat us, beating us with nightsticks, trampling us with horses and releasing their tear gas. I was hit in the head with a trooper with a nightstick. My legs went from under me. I thought I was going to die I thought I saw death," Lewis told the crowd at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, Lewis urged the crowd to keep

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Thousands of marchers cross the bridge on the 51st anniversary of the voting rights demonstration that came to be known as "Bloody Sunday," during the re-enactment of the march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma on Sunday. MICKEY WELSH/MONTGOMERY ADVERTISER VIA AP