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COSTLY VICTORY FOR STEELERS

Steelers 16, Chiefs 13 (OT): Star quarterback Ben Roethlisberger injured his shoulder in the third quarter of the Steelers' victory and did not return. **C4**



Larry Bohannon

Big names make for fun day at Bighorn

It is the kind of field that most professional golf tournaments would ballyhoo. Only this field, full of players with PGA Tour and Champions Tour regular and major championship wins, is just for a friendly fund-raising pro-am at Bighorn Golf Club this week.

"It's a three-day pro-am," said Jim Colbert of the Bighorn Golf Club Charities Pro-Am Invitational, which started Monday at the Canyons Course. "Every one of the 20 pros, well, most of them have won on the PGA Tour, regular tour and senior tour. I'd have to look, but 15 or 16 of them have won on both tours."

Colbert, a winner of eight regular tour and 20 senior tour titles, is playing host to the tournament, which has its roots in the opening of the season at Bighorn and a similar pro-am the club hosted a decade ago for prostate cancer funds. Bighorn owner R.D. Hubbard asked Colbert if he could "get some of the guys" to come out for another event. Colbert figured he wouldn't have to twist too many arms to get his friends to come to the desert for three days of golf in the desert.

"We used to run this very tournament without the pros. We've been doing it for 20-some years," said Colbert, himself a Bighorn member since the early 1990s. "I told R.D. I'd call them. Nobody turned me down. We got an unbelievable list. I'm just barely paying their expenses. There is a little bit of prize money, but nobody came for the money. Half of the guys went up to Hubbard and said they don't need the money."

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And while there are certainly a number of players in the event with desert ties, like Al Geiberger, Dave Stockton, Frank Beard, Hugh Bioachcci and Bighorn member Trevino, Colbert's net cast fairly wide. The post-round lunch saw Stockton and Geiberger, long-time friends, sitting at the same table, while Bioachcci was sitting at a table with his son-in-law, Hall of Famer baseball player Johnny Bench.

"We got one who came from Hawaii (Dave Eichelberger) and four from Florida," Colbert smiled.

For Colbert, who spent most of his summer in Kansas overlooking golf courses he owns and working with the First Tee Program of Manhattan, Kan., the brotherhood of professional golf is on display at Bighorn this week.

"You know, we support each other," Colbert said. "You go do other things. This week we will do a little over \$100,000 for the charity."

That tournament, raining money for the club's employee benefit fund, features two days of golf on the Canyons Course, one round on the Mountain Course, a fashion show for the players wives, a pairings party and other nighttime activities for the pros and the amateurs. How popular is the tournament? The event had a waiting list of 16 amateurs this year.

"It will be bigger next year," Hubbard said. "Our members didn't really know about it until they got back here this year. Now they find out."

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LAKERS' COACH SEARCH » NO RE-PHIL IN LOS ANGELES



Mike D'Antonio signed a four-year deal to coach the Lakers. He was chosen over Phil Jackson. **AP**

HOLLYWOOD ENDING [WITH A TWIST]

D'ANTONI, NOT JACKSON TO LEAD LAKERS; PLAYERS SURPRISED, EXCITED

By **Greg Beacham**
Associated Press

Pau Gasol got home from the game and read about it on Twitter, while Dwight Howard got a midnight message on his BlackBerry. They shared most Los Angeles Lakers fans' mix of surprise, trepidation and anticipation.

Just when everybody thought the Lakers were getting back together with Phil Jackson, they switched course in the middle of the night and went with Mike D'Antonio.

What a weekend in Hollywood —

NEXT UP FOR LAKERS

Opponent: San Antonio Spurs
When/TV: 7:30 p.m. today (TWC-SN)
Where: Staples Center

Note: Bernie Bickerstaff will coach his third consecutive game, it is unsure when Mike D'Antonio will join the team.

and the real drama isn't over yet.

The Lakers reacted with ample excitement and a little bewilderment Monday to their front office's surprising decision to hire D'Antonio as coach Mike Brown's replacement over Jackson, the 11-time champion who discuss-

ed the job at his home Saturday and apparently wanted to return. D'Antonio didn't even interview for the job in person, speaking to the Lakers over the phone.

"It has been crazy, but all this stuff will just make this team stronger," said Howard, who has been in a Lakers uniform for about six weeks. "Everything that we've been through so far, it's going to make us stronger, and we have to look at this as a positive situation."

The Lakers' third coach in four days won't take over the team until later in

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MLB ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Trout is unanimous AL winner

By **Ronald Blum**
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Mike Trout and Bryce Harper were teammates on the Scottsdale Scorpions last fall. The outfielders arrived in the major leagues on the same April day this year, both played in the All-Star game and they won Rookie of the Year awards a half-hour apart Monday, the vanguard of baseball's next generation.

The 21-year-old Trout was a unanimous pick as the youngest AL rookie winner, and the 20-year-old Harper edged Arizona pitcher Wade Miley 112

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Los Angeles Angels' Mike Trout, here on June 10, unanimously won the American League Rookie of the Year on Monday. **JACK DEMPSEY/AP**

Aztecs play in CIF state event today

By **Larry Bohannon**
The Desert Sun

PALM DESERT — It was supposed to be a bit of a rebuilding year for Palm Desert High School's girls' golf team. The core of the team that reached the CIF state team championship the last two years was gone, three players graduated and went off to Division I college golf programs.

But instead of rebuilding, all the Aztecs did was return to the state tournament — which is

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Mancini book is about fathers, sons, boxing

By **Leighton Ginn**
The Desert Sun

INDIO — Ray "Boom Boom" Mancini has tried to move forward in his life and was initially resistant to reliving his fateful fight 30 years ago today against Duk Koo Kim when sports columnist Mark Kriegel approached him about writing a book.

On Nov. 13, 1982, Mancini defeated Kim by 14th round TKO in a brutal fight that was televised nationally during the af-



Mancini

ternoon on network television. Kim had to be taken out on a stretcher after suffering massive brain damage. Four days later, Kim died.

Later, Kim's mother and the referee committed suicide. Several changes in boxing were attributed to the fight, including fights being shortened

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