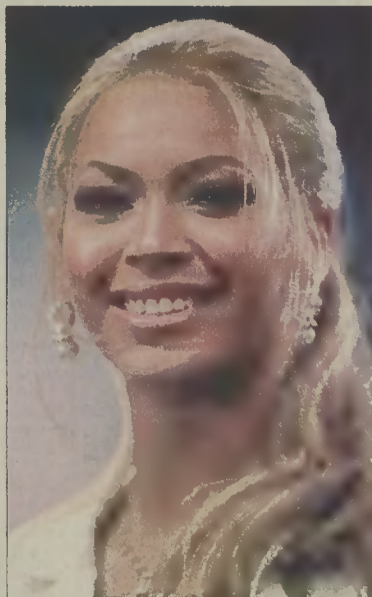


SEEN AND HEARD AT SUPER BOWL XXXVIII



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Above left: Gregory Good – aka Catman at Panthers home games, was named NFL fan of the year, complete with a trip to the Super Bowl. Above right: Singer/actor and Houston native Beyonce Knowles sang “The Star Spangled Banner” before the game. Left: Panthers safety Deon Grant stretches during pregame warmups.



Fans appreciate Panthers' season

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sort of snuck up on people,” he said. “This is a first for us.”

Lawrence said the Panthers are the first team to put the Charlotte on a world stage.

“The Hornets never made it this far in the playoffs,” he said. “We had a good showing on the world stage.”

Vendors, who braved the cold temperatures after the game ended, said they saw a

slight drop in sales. But some fans were still grabbing Panther memorabilia.

“A lot of people came here and supported the stands,” said vendor Rahman Istawah, who was stationed at the corner of Seventh and Tryon streets.

Police officers stood on the street corners, bracing for whatever could happen. But, according to Officer Andre Briggs, everyone was well behaved.

“If we would have won it would have been a lot worse,” he said as he looked at a swell of traffic on Tryon Street. He pointed to The Fox and the Hound and said “This bar would have been packed. Now, we might make it home by 2 (a.m.) instead of 4,” he said.

But Briggs wouldn't have complained if it meant the Panthers were bringing the Vince Lombardi trophy back to the Queen City.

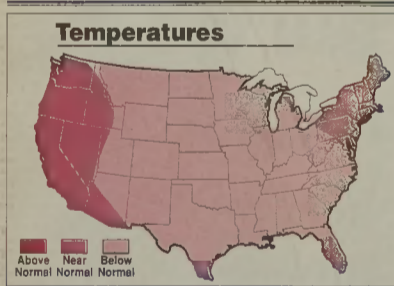
Forecast for Charlotte, NC

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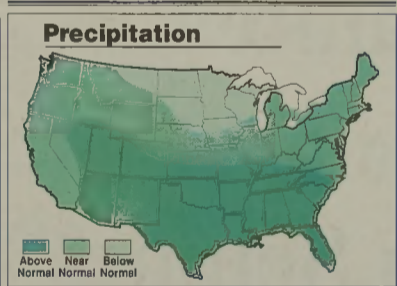
LOCAL 7-DAY FORECAST

Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Mostly cloudy, p.m. rain.	Rain, heavy at times.	Cloudy; a chance of rain.	Clearing.	A good deal of sun.	Clouds and sunshine.	Snow and rain, then rain.	A chance of rain.
44	36	50/34	50/30	48/28	48/28	46/28	53/33

THE WEEK AHEAD



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U.S. TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Today			Friday			Saturday			Sunday			Monday		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	48	46	r	56	38	c	54	32	s	48	32	s	50	30	pc
Boston	34	20	s	30	26	c	34	22	c	32	20	pc	32	18	pc
Chicago	26	20	sn	28	18	pc	26	16	pc	24	12	pc	28	11	c
Cleveland	30	26	c	34	22	c	28	20	c	22	19	c	29	16	c
Denver	28	13	sl	31	13	c	34	15	pc	41	15	c	39	11	c
Des Moines	22	12	c	22	9	c	19	9	c	25	11	c	31	9	c
Detroit	26	18	c	30	18	sl	26	14	pc	19	17	c	28	14	c
Houston	58	42	c	50	34	c	58	34	s	60	44	pc	60	48	c
Indianapolis	34	27	sn	37	20	c	30	17	pc	26	18	c	33	16	c
Kansas City	28	15	c	27	11	c	23	9	pc	32	17	pc	35	13	c
Los Angeles	66	48	s	68	48	s	66	48	pc	68	48	s	65	43	pc
Miami	81	71	pc	83	68	pc	80	53	c	77	62	pc	76	61	pc
Minni.-St. Paul	17	7	c	17	8	c	17	4	c	17	8	c	23	4	c
New Orleans	71	54	t	60	40	c	58	43	s	57	43	s	60	44	c
New York City	38	27	pc	33	30	c	39	27	c	34	25	pc	33	22	pc
Omaha	22	11	c	21	6	c	18	5	c	25	10	c	34	9	c
Phoenix	59	39	pc	64	42	s	66	44	pc	64	44	pc	65	39	s
San Francisco	57	44	pc	56	44	c	56	42	s	58	43	s	57	41	pc
Seattle	44	35	pc	46	34	r	45	35	pc	46	35	c	48	33	pc
Washington	34	30	pc	42	32	c	44	28	c	38	26	pc	41	23	pc

THE NATIONAL SUMMARY

Unseasonably cold air will cover much of the nation during the period. Temperatures from the northern Plains to the Northeast will average 10 to 15 degrees below normal. Storms will track across the southern half of the nation. Precipitation will be common in the Southwest, southern Plains and the Southeast. High pressure will help keep the northern Plains dry.

Weather (W) s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, f-ice.

WORLD TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Today			Friday			Saturday			Sunday			Monday		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Amsterdam	53	46	r	50	39	c	44	35	pc	43	39	pc	46	40	r
Berlin	48	39	r	48	41	pc	43	30	pc	40	32	pc	44	35	pc
Buenos Aires	78	55	pc	80	59	pc	79	60	pc	81	60	pc	80	60	pc
Cairo	54	38	r	66	45	s	69	48	pc	74	50	s	73	48	s
Jerusalem	47	36	r	51	39	pc	59	45	s	63	48	s	64	48	s
Johannesburg	83	58	pc	80	56	c	69	53	r	78	58	pc	76	54	pc
London	54	47	r	49	37	r	46	37	pc	45	43	pc	48	40	r
Madrid	65	51	s	65	48	s	61	45	pc	55	39	c	53	42	c
Mexico City	69	44	s	71	44	s	69	42	pc	69	45	pc	72	47	s
Moscow	27	14	sn	25	10	sn	27	11	c	24	9	sn	20	6	c
Paris	55	44	c	54	36	pc	44	32	pc	41	37	pc	43	33	r
Rio de Janeiro	84	74	pc	84	70	c	78	67	c	74	63	pc	74	63	pc
Rome	68	53	pc	66	52	c	64	48	s	58	44	s	55	42	c
San Juan	84	72	pc	83	71	s	83	70	s	84	71	s	83	71	s
Seoul	22	5	pc	22	5	pc	18	6	pc	26	13	pc	37	24	pc
Sydney	83	68	s	90	72	s	89	67	pc	93	78	pc	96	72	pc
Tokyo	45	30	pc	41	30	c	40	27	pc	39	30	s	43	30	s
Toronto	22	14	pc	28	18	c	26	12	c	24	14	c	26	9	c
Winnipeg	10	1	c	14	-1	c	9	1	c	17	3	c	18	-9	pc
Zurich	53	43	s	55	42	pc	45	31	pc	39	35	pc	44	35	c

SUN & MOON

Sunrise		Sunset	
Thu., Feb. 5	7:20 a.m.	5:55 p.m.	
Fri., Feb. 6	7:19 a.m.	5:56 p.m.	
Sat., Feb. 7	7:18 a.m.	5:57 p.m.	
Sun., Feb. 8	7:17 a.m.	5:58 p.m.	
Mon., Feb. 9	7:16 a.m.	5:59 p.m.	
Tue., Feb. 10	7:16 a.m.	6:00 p.m.	
Wed., Feb. 11	7:15 a.m.	6:01 p.m.	

Moonrise		Moonset	
Thu., Feb. 5	5:17 p.m.	7:13 a.m.	
Fri., Feb. 6	6:21 p.m.	7:51 a.m.	
Sat., Feb. 7	7:25 p.m.	8:23 a.m.	

Moon Phases			
Full	Last	New	First
Feb. 6	Feb. 13	Feb. 20	Feb. 27

COCA-COLA
“STUDENT” OF THE MONTH
Jada Alexandra McElrath
 5th Grader,
 Hornets Nest Elementary School

Aspiring Artist:

There are times when Jada would like to follow in the footsteps of her mom, radio personality Lori Mac, Co-host of The Big Breakfast Show on WWDM 101.3 in Columbia, and other times when becoming a dancer or writer is at the forefront of her mind.

Regardless, we know that Jada's personality will lead her to the top.

“Student of the Month” Jada McElrath strives to maintain her historic seat on the A-B Honor Roll, but admits that distractions often make it a challenge. Even though Jada's favorite subject is science, she thoroughly enjoys writing.

Paving the way for the future, Jada was a competitive dancer with B.B. Dance Productions for six years. Our aspiring artist also performed with the Afro-American Children's Theatre, Children's Theatre of Charlotte, and North Carolina Dance Academy.

An active member of Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church, Jada is a member of Youth in Action, which volunteers to help others in the community, an altar server, and a member of the liturgical dance team. In her spare time, Jada enjoys dancing and spending time on the computer.

Jada is the pride and joy of her grandparents, Richard and Jackie McElrath, which she affectionately calls, Nana and Papa.

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