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Oakland A's beat Texas Rangers 3-1 to avoid sweep

By Joe Stiglich, Oakland Tribune

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Oakland A's rookie closer Ryan Cook gets All-Star call

By Joe Stiglich, Oakland Tribune

http://www.insidebayarea.com/athletics/ci_20984901/rookie-closer-ryan-cook-gets-all-star-call

Inside the Oakland A's: Ryan Cook's big day and other A's pregame notes

By Joe Stiglich, Oakland Tribune, 7/1/2012, 3:55pm

<http://www.ibabuzz.com/athletics/>

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

A's get past Rangers, Darvish in Texas, 3-1

John Shea, San Francisco Chronicle

<http://www.sfgate.com/athletics/shear/article/A-s-get-past-Rangers-Darvish-in-Texas-3-1-3677701.php>

A's Ryan Cook 'blessed' to make All-Star team

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John Shea, San Francisco Chronicle

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The Drumbeat: Why Ron Washington picked Ryan Cook and not Josh Reddick or Yoenis Cespedes

John Shea reporting from Rangers Ballpark in Arlington . . .

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Cook can book his flight to Kansas City

Rookie closer earns spot on American League All-Star team

By Jane Lee / MLB.com

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Blackley outduels Darvish to close road trip

By Jane Lee / MLB.com

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Parker looks to keep rolling against Red Sox

By Ben Estes / MLB.com |

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Major Lee-ague: Blackley helps A's avoid four-game sweep in Texas

Jane Lee, mlb.com

<http://janelee.mlblogs.com/>

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A's hand Rangers' Darvish first home loss

By STEPHEN HAWKINS, ASSOCIATED PRESS

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CSNBAYAREA.COM

Pratt's Instant Replay: A's 3, Rangers 1

Casey Pratt, csnbayarea.com

http://www.csnbayarea.com/pages/print_landing?blockID=733968

Cook named A's lone All-Star rep; will you watch?

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A's Lineup: Cespedes in CF, a surprising DH?

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Straily Fans Ten, River Cats Win 8-2

http://www.milb.com/news/print.jsp?ymd=20120701&content_id=34298992&vkey=news_t105&fext=jsp&sid=t105

MIDLAND ROCKHOUNDS

RockHounds pick up 2nd straight win

Midland Reporter Telegram

http://www.mywesttexas.com/sports/article_02868d40-cc1f-53aa-aebd-0d80b7361315.html?mode=print

STOCKTON PORTS

Ports Drop Series Opener 10-3 To Giants

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BURLINGTON BEES

Bees' Pitching Struggles in 15-7 Loss

By Daniel Trivinos / Burlington Bees

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