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'The Goonies' will be featured in an outdoor showing at Comanche Trail Park later this month.

## Peaceful park to come alive with adventure

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

Crossroads area residents, get ready to do the truffle shuffle. The Big Spring Film Society presents the 1985 Richard Donner classic "The Goonies" at Comanche Trail Park on Friday, July 19. Part of the local film society's annual outdoor screening series, the film will be shown on an inflatable screen near the shore of Comanche Trail Lake, just east of the Figure 7 tennis



Johnson

courts, according to Big Spring Film Society Chairman Brandon Johnson.

"We're really excited to be returning to one of our favorite screening locations," Johnson said. "The film society screened the Steven Spielberg classic 'Jaws' there back in 2009 and it was one of the most well attended screenings to date with more than 800 people in attendance. There's just something about screening a movie just feet away from the lake's waters that makes it special for everyone."

"The Goonies" — which is 114 minutes long — is

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## TxDOT approves funds for 12-plane T hangar

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

More expansion is coming to the Big Spring Airport.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently approved a grant of \$1.2 million to finance the construction of a T hangar to be located in the southwest portion of the airport.

Unlike conventional hangars, which house several aircraft in a common space, T hangars are partitioned so that planes have their own private spaces.

There are currently three such hangars on the east side of the airport and Airport Di-

rector Jim Little said they are old and figuratively bursting at the seams.

"Those hangars were brought over from the old county airport when that facility was closed, and they were old at the time," Little said.

"They each house 10 aircraft and they are all full. In addition, we have a long waiting list (for T hangar spaces)," he added.

Aside from being more modern, the new hangar will be more spacious — it will house 12 aircraft as opposed



Little

to the capacity of 10 for the older hangars.

The TxDOT grant will finance approximately 90 percent of the total costs for the new hangar. Little said the remaining money would come from airport fees,

No local tax money will be used, he added.

"This will be a real asset to the community," Little said. "And it gives us space for those aircraft which are on the waiting list."

Construction of the new hangar is tentatively scheduled to begin before this winter, although Little said it is possible work won't begin until spring of 2014.



Crews work to repair a stretch of Goliad between 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and 24<sup>th</sup> Street following the replacement of a water line in the area. Traffic is being detoured west onto 23<sup>rd</sup> Street while work is under way. Repairs are expected to be completed and the roadway opened again by Wednesday morning, according to municipal officials.

HERALD photo / Thomas Jenkins

## County OKs measures to 'level playing field'

Dealing with oilfield boom-related new housing

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners unanimously approved revisions to the county's Flood Damage Prevention Order and subdivision and manufactured home rental community regulations Monday, making efforts to deal with the boom brought about by the Cline Shale formation. Aided by Charles R. Kim-

brough, an attorney with Austin-based Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP, the commissioners court has been working through the changes for several months now.

According to County Judge Mark Barr, the regulations accomplish what the court set out to do, although they won't likely bring about big changes anytime soon.

"When we began this pro-

cess, our goal was pretty simple," Barr said. "We wanted to take measures to help protect Howard County residents who may have their lives and their properties impacted by the boom in the oilfield. I feel like we've accomplished that with these new regulations, although they don't represent a huge change like some

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## Obituaries

## Fred Salling



Fred Salling, age 100, passed away Sunday, July 7, 2013, in San Angelo, Texas. The graveside service will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 10, 2013, at Miles Cemetery in Miles, Texas. The memorial service will be 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 10, 2013, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Miles, Texas, with the Rev. Diane Eggemeyer officiating.

Pallbearers for the service will be Andrew Salling, John Caudle, Charlie Rush, Gayland Thorn, Ron Lehman and Bill Shepherd. Funeral arrangements are by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Frederick E. "Fred" Salling was born Sept. 1, 1912, at home in Miles, Texas, to Frederick Andrew and Emma (Eschberger) Salling. Fred was the eldest of six children and helped his father work on the Salling farm, utilizing a mule team to plow, plant and harvest their crops.

He attended Miles public school where he participated in all sports offered, excelling in football where he earned a scholarship from Daniel Baker College (now Howard Payne) in Brownwood, Texas. He earned his bachelor of arts degree there in 1936 and returned to Miles to teach and coach. He met his wife to be, Lucille Young, while she was also teaching business in Miles. They were married on May 31, 1940, at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Miles where he was a lifetime member, serving on the church council and teaching Sunday school for many years.

Fred and Lucille moved to Ralls, Texas, in 1942 and both taught there until World War II broke out. He joined the Navy and was assigned to head up the athletic ROTC program in Philadelphia at the University of Pennsylvania. Later on, he was given orders to sail to the Philippine Islands where he served until the war was over and then returned to Miles to his wife and newborn son, Terry, whom he had not yet seen.

They were both offered jobs in Brady, Texas, where they taught in high school and he coached football, basketball and track. His track teams won state two years in a row.

His second son, James Michael, was born in Brady in 1948. In 1951, he and Lucille moved to Coahoma, Texas, where he was high school principal and coach. While there, Fred and Lucille both got their masters' of education degrees in 1953 through Sul Ross College in Alpine, Texas. Then in 1959, they were offered jobs in Miles again and moved there to start his career as superintendent, where he retired in 1978. The tennis courts at the high school in Miles were named in Fred's honor in 2011.

Fred and Lucille loved fishing and they, with their boys, traveled every summer to various states and Canada, camping out of a tent in wilderness areas, cooking on a campfire and eating trout they caught.

Fred was a devoted member of the Lions Club for more than 50 years, serving as president, secretary, treasurer and tail twister. He also was a referee for practically every football and basketball game he could attend in order to referee. He fired the starter's gun for races at the Ozona track meets for many years. He was a devoted sports fan, attending every game possible that Miles played. If he couldn't find a game to attend he would watch one on television at his home.

Preceding him in death were his wife of 61 years; his parents; brothers Marvin and Ernest Salling and sisters Eleanor Harsch and Martha Caudle. One sister survives, Margaret Lehman of Georgetown, Texas. Fred leaves his two surviving sons, Terry Salling and Renee of San Angelo, Texas, and Michael Salling and wife Susan of Austin, Texas. Also surviving are his grandchildren, Angela Byers and husband Michael of Bixby, Okla., Brian Salling and wife Joy of Fort Worth, Texas, Jackson Salling and wife Lauren of Austin and Cara (Salling) Lyons and husband Kory, also of Austin. Surviving great-grandchildren are Alannah and Lindsey Byers of Bixby, Sawyer, Chloe and Violet Salling of Fort Worth; plus a host of cousins, nephews, nieces and friends. One special friend was Fred's "buddy," Bernice Matthiesen of Miles; also a family thank you goes to Don and Mary Skowbo of San Angelo for their visitations and help and to Sharon Helweg.

Special thanks to Meadow Creek Nursing Center and Norma Cadena and Joanna Arispe, plus Odyssey Hospice of San Angelo.

Memorials may be sent to Trinity Lutheran Church Memorial Fund or Miles Senior Citizens Center, both at Miles, Texas, 76861.

Family and friends may sign an online register book at [www.johnsons-funeralhome.com](http://www.johnsons-funeralhome.com).

*Pail obituary*

## Corrections

A cutline on Page 4 of Monday's paper about VFW members and their families holding a July 4 celebration at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home, spoke of Post 4149 in Big Spring and 2013 in Midland. In fact, 2013 is in Big Spring and 4149 is in Midland.

In the July 4 edition of the Big Spring Herald, a photo caption depicting an accident at the 7-Eleven convenience store located at 18<sup>th</sup> Street and Gregg incorrectly identified the driver of the Dodge Caravan as having caused the accident. The accident - which tore a gasoline pump from its base - was caused by the 2004 Chevrolet Tahoe driven by Alexis Christian Emerson, which hit the mini van and the pump.

## Dudley McKaskle



AMARILLO — Dudley McKaskle, 83, died June 28, 2013. Graveside services were held Monday, July 1, 2013, in Memorial Park Cemetery with Lance Herrington officiation.. Cox Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Mr. McKaskle was born Oct. 23, 1929, in Monroe, La., to Moncuc and Vergie McKaskle. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War. He married Pat Everett on Nov. 19, 1954, in Big Spring. He farmed in Martin County until 1968. After working for defense contractors in the Fort Worth area, he moved to Amarillo in 1970. He retired from Pantex in 1994.

Mr. McKaskle enjoyed gardening and restoring antique cars. Most of all, he enjoyed being "GrandPa" to his family. He was a member of Paramount Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Pat of Amarillo, a daughter, Lana Jo McKaskle Berkowitz and husband David of Baytown; two sons, Michael Scott McKaskle of Lubbock and William "Bill" Dudley McKaskle and wife Kathy of Amarillo; five grandchildren, Chad Lee Goodrum currently in Afghanistan, Katelyn Claire McKaskle Wheaton, Amanda Blair McKaskle, Benjamin Everett Berkowitz and Daniel AAaron Berkowitz; and a great-granddaughter, Addison Claire Wheaton. He is also survived by one sister, Venita Davis of Lubbock; and three brothers, Charles McKaskle of Lubbock, Billy McKaskle of Del Rio and John Henry McKaskle of Comstock.

Sign the online guest book at [www.coxfuneralamarillo.com](http://www.coxfuneralamarillo.com)

*Paid obituary*

## James Steven Gill



James Steven Gill, 63, died suddenly June 17, 2013.

Born Feb. 20, 1950, in Canton, Ill., to James C. Gill and Mary Matkovich Gill, James was a long-time resident of Carlisle, Ky., and graduated from Nicholas County High School. Residing in Big Spring, New Braunfels and San Antonio, Texas, he always considered Big Spring his adopted hometown.

James is survived by his wife of 44 years, Sheila Fisher Gill and his four children, son Steven and wife Kristine of Houston, Texas, son Jamie Gill, daughter Pam Gill and son Jeff and wife Jennifer, all of San Antonio, Texas.

He also leaves behind 12 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

He is preceded in death by his parents; sister, Mary Louise Gill; and brother, Jimmy Gill.

He was a maintenance technician and craftsman by trade.

His family asks that you join them for a memorial service to be held July 13, 2013, in San Antonio, Texas, at the Bluebonnet Palace (in Selma, Texas), at 4:30 p.m.

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Monday and 7 a.m. today:

- JENNY JUAREZ, 28, of 1102 E. Sixth St., was arrested Monday on two warrants from other agencies.

- SUSIE LEDESMA, 28, of 1213 Lindberg, was arrested Monday on warrants for failure to yield the right-of-way at an intersection, driving while license invalid and failure to appear (two counts).

- JOSE ALFREDO GOMEZ, 30, of 1404 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St., was arrested Monday on a warrant for driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction.

- BETTY JANE MCWILLIAMS, 71, of 1408 E. Sixth St., was arrested Monday on warrants for theft by check - more than \$20 and less than \$500, theft - stealing/receiving stolen checks and theft of service - more than \$20 and less than \$500.

- GUY DAVID SMITH, 55, of 912 Culp in Coahoma, was arrested Monday on a charge of driving while license invalid.

- SYLVIA HERNANDEZ MARTINEZ, 47, of 407 Sunset Blvd., was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.

- MICHAEL SHAE JACKMAN, 27, of 7405 N. County Road 19, was arrested Monday on a warrant for criminal mischief - more than \$50 and less than \$500.

- THEFT was reported in the 500 block of N. Second Street in Coahoma.

## Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 84 inmates at the time of this

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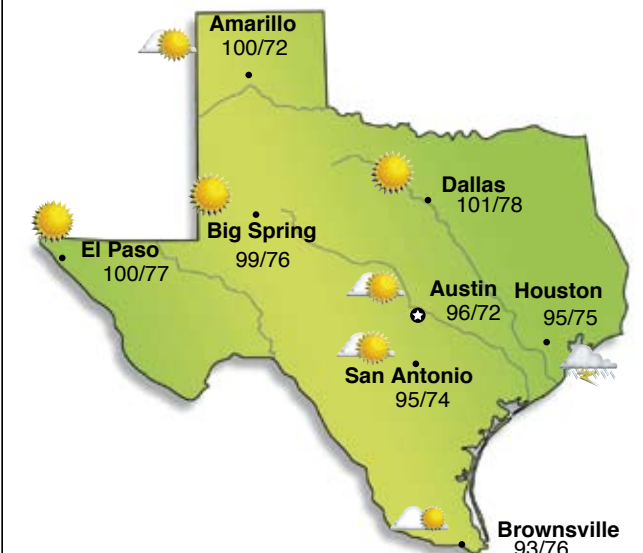
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## Local 3-Day Forecast

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 <b>99/76</b> Mainly sunny. High 99F. Winds SSE at 10 to 20 mph.	 <b>101/77</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs 99 to 103F and lows in the upper 70s.	 <b>100/77</b> Mostly sunny. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the upper 70s.
Sunrise: 6:47 AM Sunset: 8:55 PM	Sunrise: 6:48 AM Sunset: 8:55 PM	Sunrise: 6:48 AM Sunset: 8:55 PM



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report.

- JOSE ALFREDO GOMEZ, 30, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction.

- BETTY JANE MCWILLIAMS, 71, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a judgments/sentences for theft of property by check - more than \$20 and less than \$500, stealing/receiving stolen checks, theft of service - more than \$20 and less than \$500 and theft by check (enhanced) - more than \$20 and less than \$500.

- JENNY JUAREZ, 28, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for forgery of a financial instrument and an attorney general warrant for failure to appear - motion for enforcement.

- GUY DAVID SMITH, 55, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid.

- MICHAEL SHAE JACKMAN, 27, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a charge of criminal mischief - more than \$50 and less than \$500.

- WILLIAM TROY HOGAN, 46, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.

- SUSIE LEDESMA, 28, was booked into the county detention center Tuesday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for driving while license invalid, failure to yield the right-of-way at an intersection, violation of a promise to appear and failure to appear.

- SYLVIA HERNANDEZ MARTINEZ, 47, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.

## Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- TRAUMA was reported in the 500 block of 17<sup>th</sup> Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Lincoln. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1100 block of Stanford. Service refused.

- TRAUMA was reported in the 2000 block of Gregg Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of S. Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of S. Goliad. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 2900 block of W. Highway 80. Service refused.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Owens. One person was transported to SMMC.

- AUTOMOBILE FIRE was reported in the 2400 block of Monticello.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of Runnels. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.

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# GOP eyes Abbott as Gov. Perry's successor

WILL WEISSERT

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Even as he announced he wasn't running for governor again, Rick Perry implored Texans not to rock the political boat too much in choosing a successor.

Although he stopped short of endorsing his Republican heir apparent, state Attorney General Greg Abbott, there was little debate that's who Perry was referring to when he repeated a famous quote from legendary University of Texas football coach Darrell Royal.

"You gotta dance with the one that brung ya," Perry quipped, just before announcing that he wouldn't seek to continue in the office.

Abbott is popular with both grassroots tea party activists and mainstream conservatives in the GOP-dominated state.

He already has raised a whopping \$18 million in campaign funds, even without officially announcing his candidacy.

Perry said for months that he and Abbott had an agreement not to run against each other for governor — a pact Abbott never confirmed. Still, Mark P. Jones, a political science professor at Rice University in Houston, said Abbott did a masterful job bid-

ing his time so he could carry on Perry's conservative mantle without making it look like he pushed him aside.

"I think you can see this as a managed transition," Jones said, "but one that was done on Rick Perry's terms, not on anyone else's."

Abbott, who has used his post to sue the federal government more than 25 times since President Barack Obama took office, has kept a low profile in recent weeks while Perry, already the longest-serving governor in Texas history, made up his mind about his political future. And, he was purposely nowhere to be found Monday, when Perry formally eschewed a fourth re-election try in front of 200 relatives, friends, current and former staffers and supporters in San Antonio.

Abbott, now considered the overwhelming front-runner for the GOP gubernatorial nomination in primaries set for March, "will make his intentions clear in the coming weeks," spokesman Matt Hirsch said.

Despite holding his post since 2002 and positioning himself as Perry's likely successor, the 55-year-old Abbott is hardly a household name in Texas.

Abbott has used a wheelchair since he was 26, when a tree collapsed on him during a



Greg Abbott

jog, leaving him paralyzed in both legs.

He has used the attorney general's office to constantly sue the Obama administration over everything from its signature health care reform law to environmental regulations to federal voting rules.

An avid defender of gun rights and fierce opponent of abortion, Abbott champions social conservative causes but also is seen as a strong fiscal conservative.

"He gets what he wants which is to be governor, but he was able to do it without alienating one of the most popu-

lar politicians in the history of the state," Jones said. "Now the pathway between him and the governorship is a clear shot. There's nothing standing in the way, and he created no ill will between himself and Perry."

That's important because Perry has been governor since George W. Bush left for the White House in December 2000 and has reshaped what was traditionally a weak office to wield unprecedented power.

Perry's sheer longevity has helped him fill every major appointed

office statewide with loyalists — often even his donors — and dictate the direction of the Republican party in one of the country's most-conservative states.

Perry didn't mention Abbott by name but told Monday's crowd: "After January 2015, new chapters will be written, new leaders will write them."

A Democrat hasn't won statewide office in Texas since 1994, and for a generation, the winner of the GOP primary has usually cruised to victory in the general election, no matter the race.

No Democrats have yet entered the gubernatorial field, though state Sen. Wendy Davis, who became a national sensation for staging a filibuster to temporarily block sweeping new limits on abortion, may run.

Gilberto Hinojosa, who chairs the Texas Democratic Party, said a race against Abbott will look very similar to how one against Perry would have.

"They both think the exact same way," Hinojosa said. "Philosophically, there's absolutely no difference between Rick Perry and Greg Abbott."

Hispanics have accounted for nearly 90 percent of Texas' population growth in recent years, meaning demo-

graphics may soon no longer be on Republicans' side — but the shift almost certainly won't come in time to affect next year's elections.

That means Perry's decision breaks a logjam of top conservatives waiting to move up as he held the top spot so long.

At least six out of nine elected executive offices will change hands as Texans replace the governor, attorney general, comptroller and commissioners for land, agriculture and railroads.

They'll also get an opportunity to choose another lieutenant governor, with three men running to replace David Dewhurst, who says he does plan to seek re-election.

Meanwhile, Perry left the door open for another White House run after his 2011 presidential bid flamed out.

The governor is perhaps best remembered nationally for infamously forgetting during a debate the third of three federal departments he had promised to shutter if elected and muttering sheepishly, "Oops."

He used his Monday address to promote his accomplishments as governor, including overseeing a booming state economy that created nearly a third of the country's new jobs on his watch.

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directed by Donner and written by the team of Steven Spielberg and screenwriter Chris Columbus.

In the film, Mikey Walsh and Brandon Walsh — portrayed by young Hollywood stars Sean Astin and Josh Brolin — are brothers whose family is preparing to move because developers want to build a golf course in their neighborhood — unless enough money is raised to stop the construction, which seems quite doubtful.

However, Mikey stumbles upon a treasure map of the famed "One-Eyed Willy's" hidden fortune,

Mikey, Brandon, and their friends Lawrence "Chuk" Cohen (Jeff Cohen), Clark "Mouth" Devereaux (Corey Feldman), Andrea "Andy" Carmichael (Kerri Green), Stefanie "Stef" Steinbrenner (Martha Plimpton) and Richard "Data" Wang (Jonathan Ke Quan), calling themselves The Goonies, set out on a quest to find the treasure in hopes of saving their neighborhood.

The treasure is hidden in a cavern, but the entrance to the underground formation is lies beneath the house of evil thief Mama Fratelli (Anne Ramsey) and her sons Jake Fratelli (Robert Davi), Francis Fratelli (Joe Pantoliano) and the severely disfigured Lotney "Sloth" Fratelli (John Matuszak).

"It doesn't matter how old you are, seeing 'The Goonies' brings back memories of being a kid and all of the exploring and treasure hunting that goes along with that," Johnson said. "It was just you and your friends against the world. If only adult life could be that simple."

Johnson said concessions will be provided on-site, with moviegoers only needing to bring a few things to make the evening a fun time.

"The main thing people are going to need to bring is a law chair," Johnson said. "Some folks may also want to bring some insect repellent because you never really know how bad the mosquitoes are going to be. Other than that, just

bring the family and get ready to have some fun."

The screenings — which the local film society has been putting on each summer season for several years now — offer families and friends a chance to enjoy something different from the daily humdrum, according to Johnson.

"There's just something about seeing your favorite movies outdoors, with all of your friends and family around that makes it a really good time," Johnson said. "We have the inflatable screen and the HD projector, as well as some terrific sound."

"For a lot of parents and their children, these screenings will become memories they will carry with them

into the future. Not only will the kids remember the film and being able to watch it outside, but they will also remember their friends and family and what a good time they had. That's really important, in my opinion."

While the film and festivities are in the bag, there's one element officials with the Big Spring Film Society say is still needed to make the screening a first-class event.

"As always, we need volunteers to help with the screening," Johnson said. "Whether it's helping to set up the screen and equipment or just helping pick up afterward, we really appreciate the folks who are willing to donate a bit of their time to make

these screenings fun for the whole family."

For more information on volunteering or being a sponsor, contact Johnson at 432-213-0758 or by e-mail at [cruiser1977@gmail.com](mailto:cruiser1977@gmail.com). More information is also available at [www.bigspringfilm.org](http://www.bigspringfilm.org)

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folks seem to think they do.

"The county simply doesn't have a whole lot of authority over these types of issues. The real authority falls to agencies like the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). We aren't able to zone (like cities can) and we're unable to tell many of these developers what to do. What we can — and have done — is level the playing field, however, by making sure everyone has to

play by the same rules."

Barr said the subdivision and manufactured home rental community regulations will require developers to submit to the county detailed plans for their subdivision, along with an engineer's report.

"Once we have all of that information, the commissioners court will either have to sign off on it or send it back to the developer," Barr said. "Either way, these regulations will force anyone planning to develop a subdivision to follow the same rules,

which was our intentions from the beginning."

Barr said concerns expressed by local residents during public hearings prior to Monday's meeting that the regulations might hinder developments are pretty far off base.

"In truth, we could have made these regulations a lot more stringent, at least in the parts

wedohavecontrolover," Barr said. "However, we didn't feel like that was in the best interest of the citizens. And, even with the regulations we now have in place, developers can still come before the court and request variances, which will be considered on a case-by-case basis."

While the public hearings drew a considerable amount of attention

from county residents, most of it has was misdirected, according to Barr.

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## DAILY PRAYER

Bless us and watch over us, dear Lord, as we go about our day.

Amen

# Get out of the marriage business

The Supreme Court's boost for same-sex marriage was just and overdue. But the arguments, pro and con, begged a bigger question: Should government be involved in marriage at all? The answer would seem "no."

Marriage should be the business of clergy and ship captains. The government should bestow its blessings only on civil unions, however defined. Several comments of the past week bolster this view.

"Now I can marry the person I love," was the victory refrain of gays suddenly able to wed in California. Let us toast the impending nuptials.

But government doesn't grant marriage status to certify love. It does so to designate who qualifies for the rights and benefits attached to being in a government-sanctioned marriage. Lots of married people don't love their partners. Lots of unmarried people do. But love or no, married people do receive thousands of government bennies.

The Supreme Court did good, ditching the part of the Defense of Marriage Act denying gays legally married in a dozen states the federal benefits available to married heterosexuals. "By extending health insurance and other important benefits to federal employees and their families, regardless of whether they are in

same-sex or opposite sex marriages," Attorney General Eric Holder announced, "the Obama administration is making real the promise of this important decision."

Very nice, but why do married couples get this help with long-term care insurance, retirement and countless other things, and sisters caring for each other do not? It doesn't compute now and never did. Then there are the legal rights.

One of last week's cases was brought on behalf of Edith Windsor, hit with a \$363,000 tax on the estate of her gay partner. Although they'd been together for 42 years and had married in Toronto, the federal government did not recognize their marriage as legal.

Had they been heterosexual and married, the property would have passed to the surviving partner free of estate tax.

The court ruled that the federal government had to recognize marriages deemed legal where they were performed. That's fair, but tell us why a brother and sister similarly caring for one another should have to pay estate taxes if one dies. Or consider television's "Golden Girls" — rest in peace, Bea Arthur — sharing that lovely house in Miami.

When you think about it, only one thing distinguishes marriage from these other relationships: sex, or the presumption of sex.

Social conservatives opposed to gay marriage rest most of their case on the presumption of children. Their claim that a strong marriage provides the

best structure for raising children seems solid. It does not quite follow, though, that the parents must be of different genders.

Marriage doesn't necessarily lead to procreation, and being gay does not necessarily mean being childless. Justice Anthony Kennedy, having noted that a law banning same-sex marriage did "legal injury" to 40,000 children in California living with gay parents, argued that DOMA "places same-sex couples in an unstable position of being in a second-tier marriage."

The point that centuries of tradition dictate that marriage be a mystical bonding between man and woman ignores the 21st century. Former model Christie Brinkley enjoyed all the rights and benefits of marriage with all four of her husbands. One must ask either "why?" or "why not?" If nurturing children is a goal of government, government should nurture children. There are child tax credits, day care, aid for education and many other ways to further that mission.

Tying financial benefits to this fuzzy institution called marriage makes no sense. Let other authorities marry people for religious, romantic, spiritual or whatever reasons. Government should get out of this business.

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# The GOP's identity crisis

As one who supports traditional values and a conservative political agenda, I'm more worried about the right wing's erosion of resolve and moral courage than I am about the left's relentless assault on our values and ideas.

Surely, no one can dispute that the political left has been tirelessly chipping away at America's foundational values for years and ruthlessly demonizing conservatives. But if Republicans truly believed in themselves and fought with the same conviction as Democrats, it would be a different story.

One might attribute the attrition of America's foundational institutions to the political application of the laws of entropy. Things just have a natural tendency to descend into chaos. Great empires and great nations can't last forever. But it has to be more than that. When those who claim to want to preserve this nation's greatness all but throw in the towel, the destructive process can't help but accelerate.

How can a political party remain viable when many of its leaders are obviously ashamed of major parts of its platform? When its leaders validate negative stereotypes by promising to change?

When he was running for his first presidential term, George W. Bush said that he was a "compassionate conservative" and that he wouldn't balance the budget "on the backs of the poor." As much as I admire President Bush, I regret those statements, as they communicated the false message that ordinary conservatives aren't compassionate and that we don't have a heart for the downtrodden.

Some of Bush's former advisers are still wagging their fingers at conservatives today for their alleged mean-spiritedness on many issues, including immigration, urging them to be more winsome or loving — or something, anything but conservative.

Regrettably, Republican National Chairman Reince Priebus told Latinos in Chicago that Republicans have reshaped their outreach. "In America, it doesn't matter where you come from; it matters where you're going," said Priebus.

What? The Republican Party has always stood for equal opportunity and articulated a nondiscriminatory, pro-growth message. Why would the party's leader thus validate Democratic slanders portraying the GOP as nativist?

Why couldn't he have said instead, "Democrats will tell you that we don't care about Hispanics, but the truth is we care about all people, and our policies are geared toward unleashing robust opportunities for all, irrespective of race, ethnicity and gender"?

Every day, we see examples of liberals painting Republicans as uncompassionate, racist, sexist and homophobic, with precious little blowback from our side.

In the face of liberal propaganda, many Republicans are frozen into silence. Others are affirmatively apologetic for the embarrassing "extremists" in the party, who are anything but.

This self-hatred that characterizes a substantial segment of the party has real consequences. Consider the stunning reversal in popular support for same-sex marriage, from 30 percent in 2004 to 53 percent today.

Do you really believe that many people have changed their minds about an important issue overnight or, if so, that they have done it after deep soul-searching?

Isn't it more likely a result of the right's failure to stand up to the left's constant bullying and its depiction of those who oppose same-sex marriage as anti-gay rather than as those who believe in the importance of preserving traditional marriage as a foundational societal institution?

If Republicans had been affirming their beliefs with confidence and unity, would Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy have been as likely to twist the Constitution into an inedible pretzel to invalidate the Defense of Marriage Act and, worse, to disgracefully castigate tradi-

tional marriage proponents as manifesting a "desire to harm a politically unpopular group"?

Of course not. Through its silence and moral cowardice, the GOP has given a green light to those in positions of power to obliterate societal pillars and personally vilify those who dare defend them.

In or out of power, Republicans seem always to be on the defensive, effectively apologizing for a) their insistence on securing the nation's borders — assuring everyone they're not racist — b) their opposition to Obamacare, pleading with people not to believe they don't care about those falling through the cracks, c) the so-called pro-life extremists instead of properly asserting the moral high ground as defenders of the innocent unborn, and d) those in the party who refuse to cower to liberals who deify junk science about man-made global warming instead of taking it to Obama for trampling conventional energy sources and the economy in allegiance to their superstitions.

Democrats are the ones who should be on the defensive today, having destroyed the economy, bankrupted the nation, undermined our national defenses, made an incoherent mess of our foreign policy, sabotaged our health care system, polarized the nation and assaulted our religious liberty, the Constitution and the rule of law. But you never see them even considering apologizing for who they are and what they stand for.

Democrats never lack moral courage, even in defense of immoral positions. Republicans are terrified of their own shadow; until they relearn how to be comfortable in their own skin, their troubles will continue.

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# TALKING PICTURES

## PETROGLYPHS

These rock pictures are called **petroglyphs** (pet-row-glifs). **Glyphs** means "pictures" and **petro** means "rock."

These pictures can be found all over the world. The petroglyphs shown here are copies of ones found on cliffs in the desert of the American southwest.

Draw a line from each word to its picture:

shining sun  
flute player  
hunter  
sheep

**M**any thousands of years ago, before books or newspapers, people painted pictures on rocks to tell about things that happened. No one is exactly sure what they all mean, but most likely these rock pictures told stories, recorded important events and provided decoration.



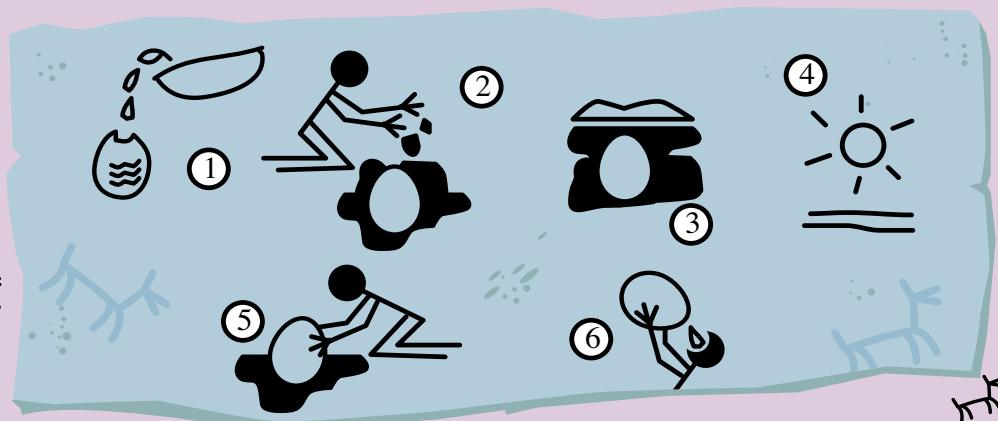
Imagine that you found all these pictures on the same rock. Write a story that you think the rock carver might have been trying to tell.

**Standards Link:** Writing Applications Write narratives that provide a context within which an action takes place. History: Students describe what is known through archeological studies of early humankind.

## Bushman Rock Art and the Ostrich

Ostrich eggs are seen in many rock paintings by African Bushmen. With their thick, sturdy shells, the eggs were used for bowls, cups, jewelry and even to store water. How can you store water in an ostrich egg?

Read the petroglyph story to find out. Then use the code to see if your story is the same.



Handwritten petroglyph code for the story.

**CODE**

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A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	L
8	Δ	X	Φ	>		∩	☆	∩	∩
M	N	O	P	R	S	T	U	W	Y

How many petroglyph dogs can you find on this page?



## Extra! Extra! Exclamation Search

Pick three pages of the newspaper, each from a different section. Count the exclamation points on each page. Graph your results. Which part of the newspaper uses the most exclamation points?

**Standards Link:** Math/Data Analysis: Summarize and display data in a graph.

## Talking Tee Shirts

At some schools, children are not allowed to wear certain tee shirts because of what the shirts say.

YES NO

**Take a poll:** Ask your friends and family if they think children should be able to wear any kind of tee shirt they want. Graph your results on the above tee shirts.

**Standards Link:** Math/Data Analysis: Summarize and display data in a graph.

## Kid Scoop Puzzler

Circle the petroglyph that comes next in each row.

Four rows of petroglyph patterns with a choice of two options for each row.

**Standards Link:** Math: Probability: Extend simple patterns.

## Double Double Word Search

OSTRICH  
PETRO  
ROCKS  
STONE  
SCHOOLS  
PAINTED  
CARVER  
FLUTE  
STORE  
WATER  
CLIFFS  
PLAYER  
SHEEP  
SHELLS

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

C	A	R	V	G	R	E	T	A	W
D	E	T	U	L	F	R	E	S	S
E	P	L	A	Y	E	R	C	O	H
T	E	E	H	P	Y	H	L	C	E
N	E	R	N	H	O	G	I	A	L
I	H	O	W	O	R	R	F	R	L
A	S	T	L	N	T	A	F	V	S
P	F	S	F	S	E	S	S	E	O
S	K	C	O	R	P	V	E	R	T

**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

## Kid Scoop Together: FAMILY TIME

### Quiz It!

Try to answer the questions below. All the answers can be found on today's Kid Scoop page!

- What does glyph mean?
  - an alien from the planet Glyphon
  - picture
  - hiccup
- Petroglyphs can be found:
  - on Mars
  - only in the desert
  - all over the world
- Which of these things did Bushmen *NOT* use ostrich eggs for?
  - bowls
  - storing water
  - shoes
- Bushmen live in:
  - Asia
  - Africa
  - France
- Petroglyphs may have been used to:
  - tell stories
  - remember important events
  - decorate
  - all of the above
- The petroglyph of the flute player on this page is a copy of one found in:
  - the New York symphony
  - the southwestern United States
  - Hawaii
- At some schools children are not allowed to wear:
  - shoes
  - socks
  - tee shirts with certain pictures and words

## What a Character! Citizenship is ...

... caring for our history.

## Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **PETROGLYPH**  
The noun **petroglyph** means a carving or line drawing on a rock made by prehistoric people.

Petroglyphs help scientists understand the past.

Try to use the word **petroglyph** in a sentence today when talking with friends or family.

## FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

### Prehistoric News

Clip different words from the newspaper to create a "stone age" headline. Write a story to go with your headline. Can you retell the story with pictures instead of words?

**Standards Link:** Writing Analysis: Write brief expository essays that contain main idea and supporting details. Visual Arts: Understand the visual art in relation to history and cultures.

## RIDDLE RHYMES

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UPSIDE DOWN, PACKED IN A HEAP, A CAVE IN WINTER, IS WHERE THEY SLEEP

What am I? ANSWER: Bats

## Write On!

### Curious about caves?

Would you like to go into a cave? Have you ever been in one? Tell a story about a trip, real or imagined, into a cave!



# Bird Poop: Rehabilitation of a barn owl

My fingers simply couldn't reach it, even though I was standing on my toes and stretching as far as I could go. Pressed against the back wall of the metal containment area, a raptor was about an inch beyond the end of my glove. In most cases, when I reached inside the upper chambers, birds of prey would strike my glove with their talons. Locked on to my hand, they could then be easily pulled from the enclosure.



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Sliding off my protective leathers and handing them to Art would give us the advantage we needed. His height and arm length were superior to mine.

Reaching inside the Animal Control pen, she carefully started withdrawing the large raptor. No resistance was given.

With eyes closed, the barn owl was more like a statue than a living being. With every feather in place, and no visible signs of injury, she was immaculate in her attire.

Earlier, Amanda had called. Having driven to the loop, the officer had readily noticed an owl. Upon her approach, the bird of prey had flown a short distance. Having elevated only about five feet in to the air,

the owl had landed and seemed exhausted. Passively, closing out the world beyond, it had slowly shut its eyes.

Intermixed among the golden or tawny appearance of the owl's back and wings were hues of gray. Bits of black and white mottling lent even more elegance to this night creature. Underneath, her breast and belly had the distinctive markings of a female.

The almost cinnamon tint of her upper parts segued into a wide necklace for her upper breast. The distinctive marking then diminished into a lighter wash as it descended over her creamy belly. Both breast and belly were accented with noticeable black spots.

Looking at her long, heart-shaped face, rimmed with a dark border around white facial disks, I was worried. No penetrating black eyes glared back at me.

Thin and lethargic, the barn owl could easily die. As we carried the bird inside, I was realistic about the struggle ahead.

Assuming dehydration and lack of food were contributing factors caused me to consider an old remedy that veterinarian Hank Thompson and I had used in the past. An avian supplement had proven its reliability. Over the years I made sure some was always on hand.

As I finished tubing the owl, Hank's conversations regarding its effects came to mind. He had often commented

on how it affected respiration, circulation, and absorption of food. "Gives them a real kick in the pants!"

Following that came the first forced feeding of baby mice, or "pinkies." If the owl had not crossed over that imaginary line between being able to digest food or not, then these tiny beings would be the most readily absorbed. Around midnight, another feeding was given.

When I saw that the owl was still standing the next morning, I was encouraged. To manhandle her a third time for breakfast didn't seem to faze the bird. There was no resistance and her eyes were still closed.

Last that afternoon, I checked on the owl. Having moved to perch on a sturdy log, she had both eyes open.

Hoping she would start to eat on her own that evening, I left a platter of small mice. The next morning, all were gone.

That evening, more mice were offered and gladly accepted. The next morning, when Art needed to clean the bottom of the owl's container, he found a reason for the bird's apparent weakness.

Cast aside were four discarded pellets, remnants of what the owl had eaten, but her body could not absorb. Readily seen and neatly packaged were the legs and shattered, iridescent shells of black beetles.

Apparently, the barn owl had not been successful in her hunt for



Courtesy photo

In an old building, a female barn owl, left, and her mate roost during the day. From nightfall to dawn, they hunt in open country for mice, rats and rabbits. With a wingspan of nearly four feet, the raptors also have phenomenal eyesight and hearing.

her natural food of mice and rabbits. Unable to catch even a pigeon, she was trying to exist on insects. Her weakened state had enabled her capture.

On the fifth day, the barn owl was taken to the wildlife center in Lubbock. "She's beautiful!" exclaimed Gail Barnes as she opened the container.

Released in a mew in the barn, the barn owl left her container and walked around the four sides of the room. To my query, "What's she doing?" Gail Barnes replied, "Investigating a new environment."

Leaving her to explore every square inch of the mew, we could only hope she would

be able to fly. If not, Gail would keep her as a surrogate parent for the bountiful supply of baby "barnies" that spring affords.

The wait for news was agonizing. Then one evening about 9:40, Daniel Andrews, operations manager, called Gail. "It's on the highest perch!"

Some five days after being taken to the center, the barn owl was flying in the mew. Three days later she was taken to the flight cage. Although she could master the high roosts and fly from end to end, she tired easily.

Moved back to her mew temporarily so that some young great horned owls could

exercise, the barn owl continued to strengthen. Five days later, she was released.

Her long, broad wings would carry her safely to another beginning. The beauty of her silent flight during the deepest hours of the night, and her regal bearing made me liken her to a comparison hauntingly described by Lord Byron: "...like the night/Of cloudless climes and starry skies/And all that's best of dark and bright/Meets in her aspect and her eyes."

Bebe McCasland is author of "The Scoop from Bird Poop." She is federally and state licensed to rehabilitate wild birds.

# All you need is love ... but what kind?

Recently, I was talking to someone who brought up the subject of how "love" has changed throughout the years.

So I began to think about the word "love" and how has it changed to become what we call it today.

Biologically, love is a powerful neurological condition like hunger or thirst, only more permanent. We talk about love being

blind or unconditional, but do we really understand it?

Love was viewed very differently in ancient times. Unlike us, the ancients did not lump all the various emotions that we label "love" under the one word. They had several variations.

I would like to explore some of these variations and share them with you. To be able to discuss the different varieties will take more space than this column provides so I will conduct this study for a period of three weeks.

Philia is one variation of love which is considered a deep but usually non-sexual intimacy be-

tween close friends and family members or as a deep bond forged by soldiers as they fought alongside each other in battle. Aristotle divides philia friendships into three types, based on the motive for forming them: friendships of utility, friendships of pleasure and friendships of the good.

Friendships of utility are relationships formed without regard to the other person at all. Buying merchandise, for example, may require meeting another person but usually needs only a very shallow relationship between the buyer and seller. In modern English, people in such a

relationship would not even be called friends, but acquaintances, and they may not even remember each other afterwards.

The only reason these people are communicating is in order to buy or sell things, which is not a bad thing, but as soon as that motivation is gone, so goes the relationship between the two people unless another motivation is found. Complaints and quarrels generally often arise in this type of friendship.

The next level is friendships of pleasure. These are based on pure delight in the company of other people. People who meet together for a drink or share a hobby may have such friendships. However, these friends may also part if they no longer enjoy the shared activity, or can

no longer participate in it together.

Friendships of the good are ones where both friends enjoy each other's characters. As long as both friends keep similar characters, the relationship will endure since the motive behind it is care for the friend. This is the highest level of philia, and in modern English might be called true friendship.

Ludus is another form of love in what we call "the love of the game. It describes a more playful affection found in games, sports, music, training, hobbies and fooling around or flirting.

This is the inward desire to participate in enjoyable activities. They are players who are more interested in quantity than quality of relationships, and they

want to have as much fun as possible.

They choose their partners by playing the field, and quickly recover from break-ups. As lovers, they tend to view marriage as a trap and are the most likely of the love styles to commit infidelity. They might view children as a sign of fertility of the parent or of the masculinity of the father. They regard sex as a conquest or a sport, and they engage in relationships because they see them as a challenge. In its most extreme form, ludic love can become sexual addiction.

Next week I will continue this study with a look at pragma, philautia and eros.

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### Kinsler picks up 4 RBI, Rangers down Orioles 8-5



Texas' Ian Kinsler doubles in three runs during the sixth inning of the Rangers' 8-5 win over the Baltimore Orioles on Monday.

BALTIMORE (AP) — After the Baltimore Orioles repeatedly failed to get a clutch hit, the Texas Rangers got one after another in a big inning that ultimately decided a duel between AL play-off contenders.

Ian Kinsler capped a six-run sixth with a bases-loaded double, and the Rangers rolled to an 8-5 victory Monday night to move 15 games over .500 (52-37) for the first time since May 25.

"My team is very confident right now," manager Ron Washington said. "We just try to go out every day and play the best game we can. Sometimes we win, sometimes we lose, but we certainly don't question things. We just try to play good baseball."

Kinsler matched his career high with four RBIs, including three in the sixth against former teammate Scott Feldman (0-1) when the Rangers

turned a 3-2 deficit into an 8-3 lead.

"He came up in that situation and delivered," Washington said of Kinsler.

Baltimore, conversely, stranded 10 and went 1 for 12 with runners in scoring position.

"The game turned on a big inning, and we were unable to come back from it," Baltimore's Adam Jones said.

The victory improved Texas' road record to 25-18, best in franchise history after 43 games. The Rangers have won seven of their last eight on the road.

It was the first game between the teams since Baltimore eliminated Texas from the AL play-offs with a 5-1 win last October. Not counting that defeat, the Rangers have won 11 of 14 against the Orioles.

Derek Holland (7-4)

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### Coahoma, BSHS volleyball camps coming up soon

By BRIAN MCCORMACK  
Sports Editor

Did you miss the Coahoma volleyball camp registration deadline? If so, Head Coach Jessica Weynand is still taking late entries.

Sixth through ninth grade students (\$40) will attend July 17-18 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., while grades 1-5 (\$30) will participate July 23-24 from 9 a.m. until noon.

To reserve a spot, call Weynand at 979-251-1902.

Big Spring Athletics will be holding its summer volleyball camp beginning

this month also. The camp — which will be held at the Big Spring Junior High gymnasium — will begin July 29. Grades 3-6 will attend from 8:30 a.m. until 10 a.m. Grades 7-9 will be held from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Registration is \$25 per student, with T-shirts available for \$10 apiece. The camp is open to students in students not enrolled in Big Spring schools.

Contact Sports Editor Brian McCormack at 263-7331 ext. 237 or by e-mail at sports@bigspringherald.com

### Jets coach Ryan runs with bulls

NEW YORK (AP) — Rex Ryan spent part of his summer vacation running from angry bulls.

The New York Jets coach joined thousands of thrill-seekers in the annual running of the bulls at the San Fermin festival in Pamplona, Spain.

The team confirmed Monday that Ryan was uninjured while participating both days in the run, which is the highlight of a nine-day street festival and is

televised nationally.

Ben Patton, a contestant on NBC's match-maker show "Ready for Love," tweeted an Instagram photo of himself and some friends posing with Ryan in Pamplona. A slim-looking Ryan is wearing white pants, a red T-shirt with a picture of a bull in the middle — with the words "Bad Toro" printed underneath — and a red bandana around his neck.

The sports website Deadspin posted a

17-second video Monday night of what clearly appears to be Ryan climbing a barricade, along with several other participants, moments before a bull charges down the street.

The race, which lasts just over 2 minutes, takes place early in the morning as participants run with six fighting bulls along a narrow course of about 900 yards. It ends when the bulls have run from a holding pen to a city bull ring.

### 5 things to know about the Tour de France

SAINT-NAZAIRE, France (AP) — Five things to know as the Tour de France enters its 10th stage on Tuesday:

1. ZZZZZZZZZZ — And on the 10th day they rested. In hotels in and near Saint-Nazaire on France's western coast, the 182 riders who survived the Tour's bruising first nine days were sleeping, eating, and sleeping some more Monday to recharge their batteries for the middle section of three weeks of racing. Smart riders know that to stop riding altogether is a

recipe for stiff legs, so many wheeled out their bikes for a few hours to keep their engines ticking. How times have changed. Three-time winner Greg LeMond recalled in a recent interview with French newspaper L'Equipe that he used to play golf on a rest day. Perhaps the most legendary rest day episode involved Jacques Anquetil. The story goes that he overindulged on roast mutton and booze after crashing a radio station's barbecue party during the 1964 Tour, and paid the price the next day. He initially struggled on a moun-

tain ascent, but with some prodding from his team and a little luck — his top rival had a flat — Anquetil went on to win his fifth Tour, a record since matched but never beaten.

2. BACK IN THE SADDLE — You can bet Chris Froome will not have been so devil-may-care as Anquetil. The Kenya-born Briton will wear the leader's yellow jersey in Tuesday's 10th Stage. It shouldn't be too rude an awakening for riders as it's a mostly flat 122.4-mile ride across Brittany from Saint-Gildas-des-

Bois to Saint-Malo. The next test to Froome's grasp on the leader's shirt comes Wednesday with the first individual time-trial, up to the majestic island citadel of Mont-Saint-Michel.

3. TIGHT-LIPPED BRAILSFORD — Dave Brailsford, the manager of Froome's Sky squad, insists his riders won't collapse again in the mountains like they did in Sunday's ninth stage. Paris-Nice winner Richie Porte and several other Sky riders were dropped on the first

### Judge to unseal search warrants in murder case

ATTLEBORO, Mass. (AP) — A Massachusetts judge says he will release impounded search warrant materials in the murder case involving former New England Patriots tight end Aaron Hernandez.

Attleboro District Court Judge Daniel O'Shea on Monday said the material will be released at 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Motions to unseal the material were filed by The Patriot Ledger and Taunton Gazette newspapers and their parent Gatehouse Media, supported by The Associ-

ated Press, and by The Boston Globe.

Prosecutors and Hernandez's defense attorney had opposed releasing the material. District Attorney Samuel Sutter said Monday he would not appeal the judge's decision.

Hernandez has pleaded not guilty to a murder charge in the June 17 fatal shooting of Odion Lloyd of Boston. Lloyd's body was found in an industrial park near Hernandez's North Attleborough home. Two other men are facing lesser charges.

### Magistrate orders NFL, retired players to negotiate

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The NFL and former players must try to negotiate a dispute over whether complaints about concussion-related injuries belong in court or in arbitration, a federal judge said Monday.

U.S. District Judge Anita B. Brody of Philadelphia had planned to rule July 22 in a legal fight that involves about 4,200 former players and could be worth billions of dollars.

But instead she ordered the two sides to begin mediation with retired federal Judge Layn Phillips. The retirees want the right to sue the league, while the NFL insists the claims must be arbitrated under terms of the collective

bargaining agreement.

Brody asked for a progress report by Sept. 3, while placing a gag order on the lawyers. Both sides agreed to comply.

Many former players say they suffer from dementia, Alzheimer's disease and other neurological conditions, which they believe stem from on-field concussions. The league insists that safety has always been a top priority.

Both sides have something to fear from a court ruling. Brody could throw out the lawsuits and steer them to arbitration; or accept some or all of them, and open up internal NFL files to plaintiffs' lawyers looking for a smoking gun. Still, sports law pro-

fessor Marc Edelman, who teaches at Fordham University and Baruch College, called it "highly unlikely" that either side would budge during mediation.

"The sentimental impact of this type of case is one that would make it strongly advantageous for the plaintiffs to get to a jury," Edelman said. "The position the NFL has taken is they are not liable for anything that's happened to the players."

In legal arguments before Brody in April, NFL lawyer Paul Clement said teams bear the chief responsibility for health and safety under the contract, along with the players' union and the players themselves. Players' lawyer

David Frederick accused the league of concealing studies linking concussions to neurological problems for decades.

"The plaintiffs got in a lot of their case, that the NFL glorified violence all these years. I would think in mediation that Judge Phillips would let it go further, if that's what they want to talk about," said Andrew Brandt, who directs a sports law center at Villanova University School of Law.

In recent years, a string of former NFL players and other concussed athletes have been diagnosed after their deaths with chronic traumatic encephalopathy, or CTE, including popular Pro Bowler Junior Seau and lead plaintiff Ray Easterling. Both commit-

ted suicide last year.

About one-third of the league's 12,000 former players have joined the litigation since 2011. Some legal experts feel the NFL may be most vulnerable on claims from a few hundred "gap" players, who played during years when there was no contract in place.

"We respect and will comply with the court's order regarding mediation and will be available to meet with Judge Phillips at his direction," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said in a statement.

The Plaintiffs' Executive Committee for the former NFL players also pledged to "follow the court's directive."



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**New Moon After-Party**

Yesterday was an auspicious day, bringing the gift of the new moon and an end to Saturn's retrograde of 2013. As it is with good luck, this transition comes with a responsibility to make the most of it by acting, sharing the bounty and leveraging the advantage into even greater future luck. The very least we can do is recognize our good fortune and enjoy it.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Doubt has its place. It can be helpful — as helpful as faith and at times even more so. It can prevent mistakes of overconfidence. Doubt can save the day. Of course, it's something to keep in check.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). There's a fine line between showing concern and becoming a busybody. Be sure to ask more than once whether your advice or help is indeed needed — and don't be disappointed when they can handle things on their own.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Your confrontational mood will bring about change. The change itself may be unnecessary; many of the best things in life are. But it will keep things interesting, so why not?

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Oscar Wilde said, "I can resist anything except temptation." Your powers of resistance are strong, but a great temptation will challenge them. Stop, take a deep breath, and consider the consequences carefully.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll find out what happens when you put all of your attention into one special interest: The awesome stuff becomes weird, and the weird stuff becomes awesome.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're strong. You may wish you could be lazy, watch television all day and eat nothing but breakfast cereal. Alas, that's not who you are. Once you get moving, you'll remember why you choose "strong" again and again.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Thinking differently is harder than moving your body differently. But if you can learn a new dance or sport, you can learn a new thought process. Build it one habit at a time.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You feel good when you're productive. It's important to note, though, that your worth doesn't come from your productivity. Do it for the joy it brings you and others. Don't do it because you have to, but because you want to.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Are they trying to bring you down? It's because they perceive you as being above them. It's a sign that your power is on the rise. How do you use that power in a way that doesn't make enemies? Answer: quietly.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Busy people often feel important. Some say that this glorifies "busy" and that "busy" doesn't equal "important." Then why are busy people so in demand? Making commitments does make you important to the others involved.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Deferred dreams are often like

submarines: invisible below the waves, until they unexpectedly torpedo your day. Bring your aspirations to the surface, and reclaim them to the world.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Don't fight the old. It is unnecessary now to overturn the powers that be. This isn't a time for revolution; it's a time for exploration. Better to set off for new horizons than to waste energy trying to transform the old stomping ground.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (July 9). Something you thought was fun a few years back now gets new life. This revival puts joy in your work, and you'll play differently, too. There's business to clear up in August, and then you're free to pursue a lucrative job. September educates you through travel. Lifestyle changes (perhaps involving a commute) help you rock 2014. Pisces and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 20, 11, 8 and 32

**DEVELOP YOUR INTUITION, TAURUS:** The first earth sign of the zodiac embodies what it means to be grounded. From this grounding — which is so much a part of who Taurus is that the bull doesn't even see it as being any special talent or state — comes a connection to all living things. That connection is a source of deep intuitive knowing, as well as energy for healing and developing in other ways.

Taurus has a power like that of Queen Tara, the character Beyonce Knowles voiced in this summer's family film "Epic." Queen Tara is the life of the forest. Branches, vines and flowers organize themselves to

build a path where she walks. Her touch makes things grow; her presence is felt or missed from miles away. Obviously, plants won't really move to make a path for the human Taurus (though that would be super-cool). But when Taurus is grounded, it will be as though providence is rushing to make the path smoother — which is probably better than a plant-walkway anyhow.

In many Taurus people, this gift is lying dormant and needs to be awakened. Awareness of the gift is the first step. Next, dancing, exercise, running, walking, yoga and more will activate and balance the root chakra that grounds Taurus.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** What do rocker Jack White and movie star Tom Cruise have in common? They are both soulful Cancers who wanted to join the clergy before finding their true calling as artists. White was born when the sun, the moon and Saturn were in Cancer, lending an extra dose of intuition and sensitivity. His Mercury in Gemini brings a social intelligence and stylish manner of communication.

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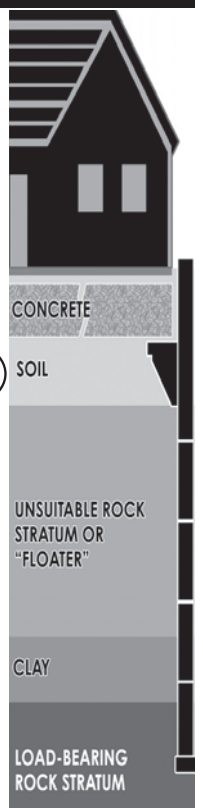
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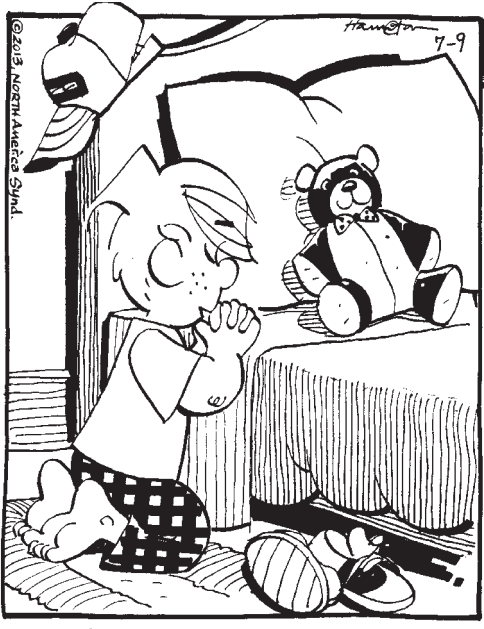
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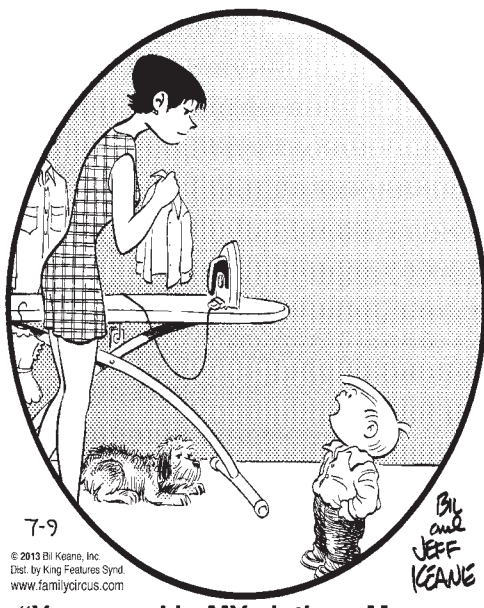
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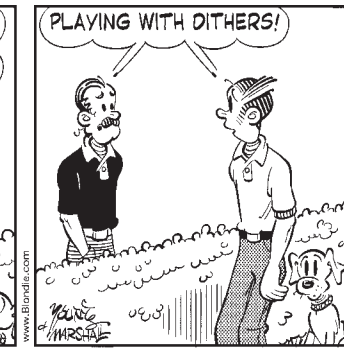
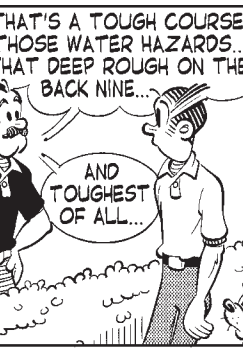


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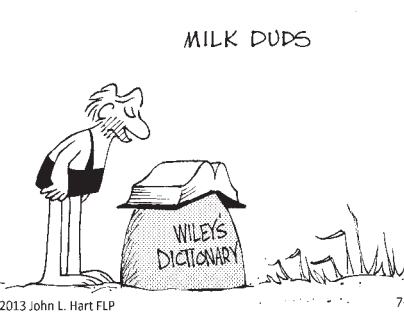
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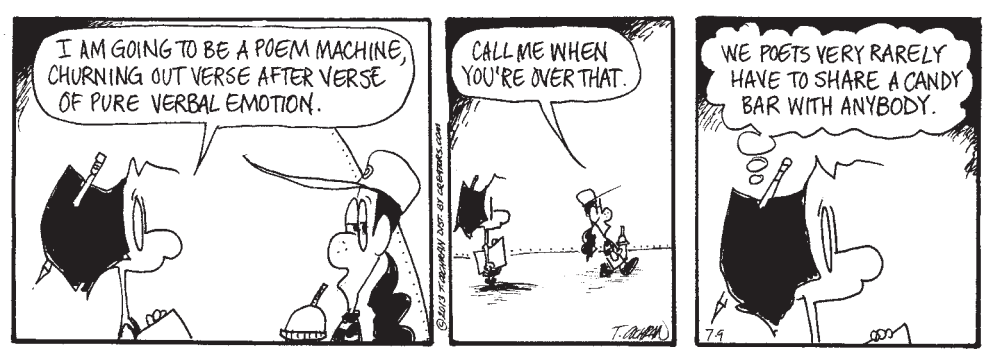
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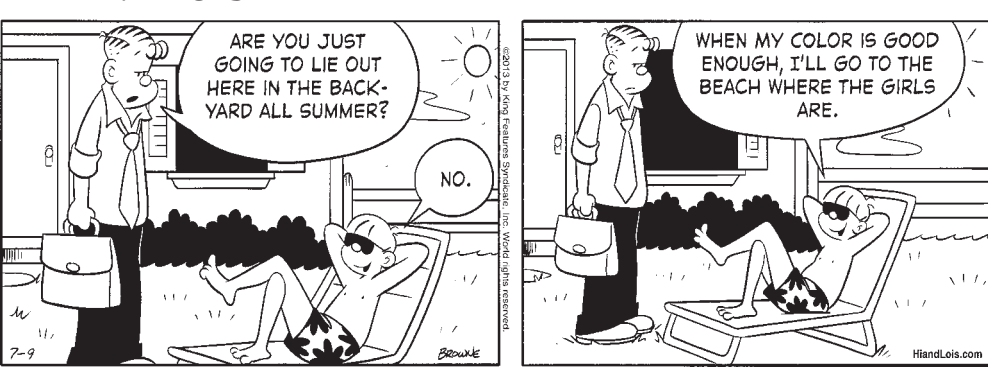
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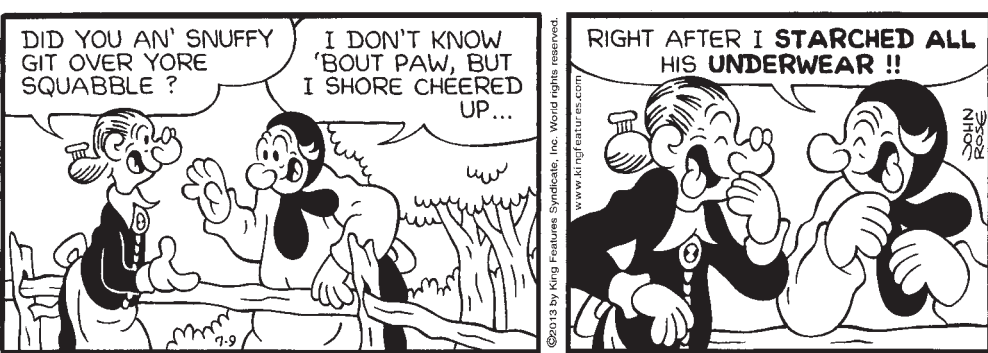
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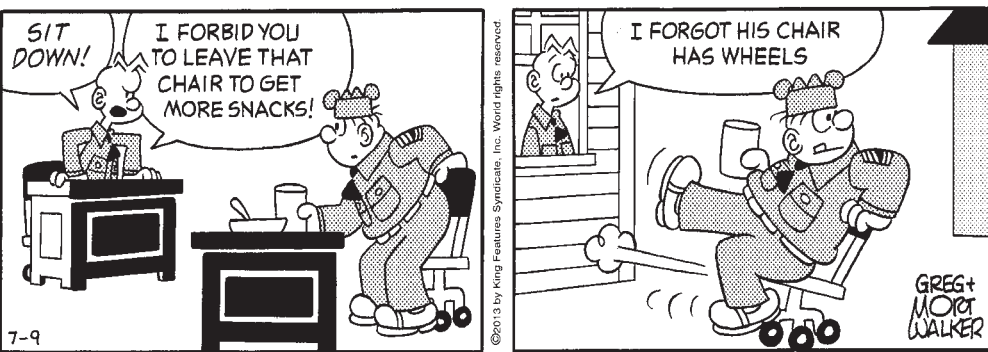
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, July 9, the 190th day of 2013. There are 175 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 9, 1943, during World War II, the Allies launched Operation Husky, their invasion of Sicily, with nighttime landings of American and British troops; a full-scale incursion by sea began in the small hours of July 10. (More than a month later, the Allies secured the island from the Axis.)

On this date:

In 1540, England's King Henry VIII had his 6-month-old marriage to his fourth wife, Anne of Cleves, annulled.

In 1776, the Declaration of Independence was read aloud to Gen. George Washington's troops in New York.

In 1816, Argentina declared independence from Spain.

In 1850, the 12th president of the United States, Zachary Taylor, died after serving only

16 months of his term. (He was succeeded by Millard Fillmore.)

In 1896, William Jennings Bryan delivered his famous "cross of gold" speech at the Democratic national convention in Chicago.

In 1918, 101 people were killed in a train collision in Nashville, Tenn. The Distinguished Service Cross was established by an Act of Congress.

In 1938, Supreme Court Justice Benjamin Cardozo died in Port Chester, N.Y., at age 68.

In 1953, the MGM movie musical "The Band Wagon," starring Fred Astaire and Cyd Charisse, had its world premiere at New York's Radio City Music Hall.

In 1962, pop artist Andy Warhol's exhibit of 32 paintings of Campbell's soup cans opened at the Ferus Gallery in Los Angeles.

In 1974, former U.S. Chief Justice Earl Warren died in Washington, D.C., at age 83.

In 1986, the Attorney General's Commission on Pornography released the final draft of its report, which linked hard-core porn to sex crimes.

In 1992, Democrat Bill Clinton tapped Tennessee Sen. Al Gore

to be his running mate. Former CBS News commentator Eric Sevareid died in Washington at age 79.

Today's Birthdays: Actor-singer Ed Ames is 86. Former Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld is 81. Neurologist and author Oliver Sacks is 80. Actor James Hampton is 77. Actor Brian Dennehy is 75. Actor Richard Roundtree is 71. Author Dean Koontz is 68. Football Hall-of-Famer O.J. Simpson is 66. Actor Chris Cooper is 62. TV personality John Tesh is 61. Country singer David Ball is 60. Rhythm-and-blues singer Debbie Sledge (Sister Sledge) is 59. Actor Jimmy Smits is 58. Actress Lisa Banes is 58.

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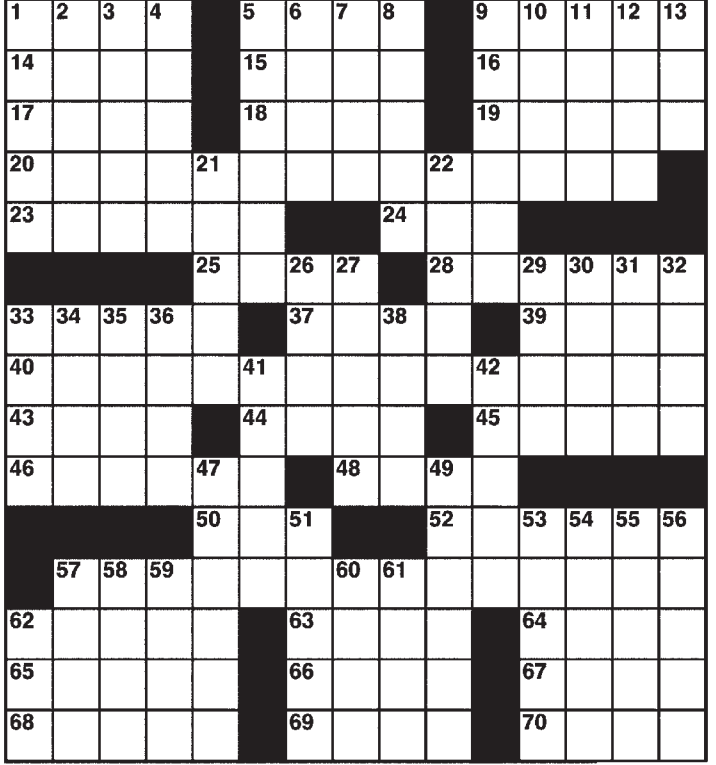
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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS
- 1 Dinner platter
  - 5 Up to the task
  - 9 Zipped past
  - 14 "My treat"
  - 15 Battleship color
  - 16 Stick out like \_\_\_ thumb
  - 17 Delighted
  - 18 Make simpler
  - 19 Conform
  - 20 Entrance ramp sign
  - 23 Show up for
  - 24 NBC weekend revue
  - 25 Military outpost
  - 28 Popular rodent pet
  - 33 Come to terms
  - 37 Neighbor of Thailand
  - 39 Tiny amount
  - 40 Triangular street-corner sign
  - 43 Wicked
  - 44 Prayer ender
  - 45 Takes a break
  - 46 Had a hunch
  - 48 Tug-of-war need
  - 50 By way of
  - 52 Raspy
  - 57 Street sign that depicts kids
  - 62 Trembled
  - 63 Tugboat sound
  - 64 Fly high
  - 65 Heartbeat
  - 66 In addition
  - 67 Outer boundary

- 68 Started a poker pot
  - 69 Beams of light
  - 70 Exam
- DOWN
- 1 Religious doctrine
  - 2 Small bay
  - 3 Intelligent
  - 4 Row of bushes
  - 5 Meeting plan
  - 6 Boast
  - 7 Stand the test of time
  - 8 Ones staring
  - 9 Fund-raiser with a drawing
  - 10 "Dream on!"
  - 11 Phrase of denial
  - 12 \_\_\_-a-brac
  - 13 Craving
  - 21 Not up yet
  - 22 Feeling of dread
  - 26 Unlikely, as chances
  - 27 Raring to go
  - 29 Widespread
  - 30 Hair decorations
  - 31 "Let's leave \_\_\_ that"
  - 32 Installs, as carpeting
  - 33 Affirmative votes
  - 34 Donate
  - 35 Bridle attachment
  - 36 Right-angle shapes
  - 38 "It can't be!"
  - 41 AM/FM device
  - 42 Sandwich cookies
  - 47 Brought to mind
  - 49 Snapshots
  - 51 Church platform
  - 53 Balance sheet plus
  - 54 \_\_\_ Janeiro
  - 55 Unexpected obstacles
  - 56 Marsh bird
  - 57 Give the cold shoulder to
  - 58 Young stallion
  - 59 Garden waterer
  - 60 Soda flavor
  - 61 Optimistic
  - 62 Mineral spring





# Phillies' Ryan Howard needs surgery, out for 6-8 weeks

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — There's a reason why Ryan Howard was limping around the field.

The Philadelphia Phillies' slugger needs surgery to repair a torn meniscus in his left knee and will miss at least six to eight weeks. An MRI on Monday confirmed the tear in his knee. A date for surgery hasn't been set.

"It could have been much more significant damage," general manager Ruben Amaro Jr. said. "We don't want any of our players on the DL. But we know what it is and it's treatable."

Howard, the 2006 NL MVP, went on the disabled

list Saturday. The three-time All-Star was hitting .266 with 11 homers and 43 RBIs. He was noticeably hobbling during games before he was shut down. He said he continued to play through the pain because he thought he could perform.

"We have to take care of it," Amaro said.

Howard played his first game last season on July 6 after tearing his left Achilles tendon making the final out in the 2011 NL division series. The 33-year-old first baseman has been on a steady decline since signing a \$125 million, five-year contract extension in 2010.

# TOUR

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big climb. That left Froome, the pre-race favorite, to fend for himself for the next 78 miles and over three more monster ascents. But he held on, solo, to keep the yellow jersey. "(Using) a boxing analogy, he's taken the biggest right hook he could face, and he didn't flinch," Brailsford said. "You learn more from adversity." Asked what Sky's plan would be to avoid a repeat scenario, he said: "I'm not going to spell it out. I'm not going to go into the details of the changes we're going to make."

4. DUELING MANIFESTOS — The candidates to run cycling's governing body used the Tour's rest day to publicize

their visions for the future of a sport trying to move beyond its doping past. UCI boss Pat McQuaid, who is seeking a third four-year term, insisted the sport has changed for the better during his tenure as he unveiled his manifesto for cycling's future. He wants to "preserve the new culture and era of clean cycling," develop women's cycling, and authorize an independent audit to look into the UCI's actions between 1999 and 2005, the period when Lance Armstrong won seven Tour titles before they were stripped for doping. Brian Cookson, the head of British Cycling who put out his own manifesto last month as part of his own candidacy, retorted Monday in a statement that he believed people will "ask why those things haven't been done in the last eight years" under McQuaid.

5. RIDERS JUST WANNA HAVE FUN? — Cyclists know about pain, sweat and hard work. The Orca GreenEdge riders prove they know how to have fun too. The Australian squad and some filmmaking-savvy helpers have put together an online video tribute to legendary rock 'n' roll band AC/DC in which the riders don wigs, strum on floppy toy guitars and even play air guitar on a Tour podium to the tune of the Australian band's classic, "You Shook Me All Night Long." Simon Gerrans and Daryl Impey do their riffs while in the yellow jersey that they both wore last week. Others played along, too. BMC's Philippe Gilbert and fellow Belgian Eddy Merckx, a five-time Tour champion, get cameo.

# Sudoku Answer on Page 3

# sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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# RANGERS

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allowed five runs, three earned, and 10 hits in 6 2-3 innings for Texas. He struck out Matt Wieters and major-league home run leader

Chris Davis three times apiece.

"I felt good, everything was good, but for the most part, I really have to pitch better than that," said Holland, who threw a career-high 125 pitches. "The guys gave me some runs and I gave

them right back up. Give Wash credit for letting me stay out there. He had confidence in me and I have confidence as well. I just didn't get the job done."

Joe Nathan worked a perfect ninth for his 30th save, tied for the AL lead.

Wieters homered and Manny Machado had three hits for the Orioles. Davis and Wieters both struck out four times, the last times against Nathan in the ninth.

Making his home debut after being obtained in a July 2 trade with the Chicago Cubs, Feldman went up against the team he played with for eight seasons through 2012. The right-hander yielded seven runs and nine hits in 5 1-3 innings.

The key, of course, was the sixth.

A.J. Pierzynski doubled in a run and Elvis Andrus chased Feldman with an RBI single

for a 4-3 lead. Engel Beltre greeted Troy Patton with a run-scoring single before Kinsler doubled into the left-field corner.

Wieters hit his 12th homer, a two-run drive in the seventh, to get Baltimore to 8-5.

The Orioles went 0 for 7 with runners in scoring position over the first three innings, and although they came back to take the lead, the squandered opportunities cost them in the end.

"Yeah, we had our chances," Wieters said. Texas went up 1-0 in the third when Andrus hit a leadoff single and scored on a two-out single by Kinsler.

The Rangers added a run in the fourth on an RBI single by Mitch Moreland. Feldman avoided further damage by getting Andrus to hit into an inning-ending double play with the bases loaded.

## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### The Theory of Anticipation

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♣ 9 8 3

**EAST**  
♠ J 10 4 2  
♥ K J 9 6  
♦ 10 9 7  
♣ 7 2

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Opening lead — three of hearts.

A competent declarer always tries to find a way to assure his contract whenever it's possible to do so. He does not relax his efforts merely because he sees that the contract is safe if the defenders' cards are divided normally. Instead, he attempts to cater to the possibility that the cards might be divided unfavorably.

Take this case where West leads a heart, won by South with the ace. There doesn't seem to be much to the play at this point.

Declarer notes that he can ruff a heart in dummy, lead a trump to the ace, ruff another heart, then play the K-Q of trumps, after which he can run dummy's clubs and so score 12 tricks.

However, though this method of play is very promising, it presupposes a 3-2 trump division, an assumption declarer cannot safely make. In the actual deal, if South follows the line of least resistance and proceeds as described above, he winds up one trick short of the mark, losing a trump trick and three diamonds.

Instead, South should try to arrange the play so that he makes the contract whether the trumps are divided 3-2 or 4-1. He does this by ruffing a heart in dummy at trick two, then leads a trump and "finesses" the eight. South certainly doesn't expect the eight to win; rather, he plays the eight to maintain control of the hand if the trumps are divided 4-1.

In the actual case, West wins the eight with the nine but cannot stop declarer from scoring 11 tricks.

It is true that if the spades turn out to be divided 3-2, South loses a trick he did not have to lose by adopting this safety measure. But the 30-point loss is a very cheap price to pay for avoiding the possible loss of a vulnerable game.

Tomorrow: Practical analysis.  
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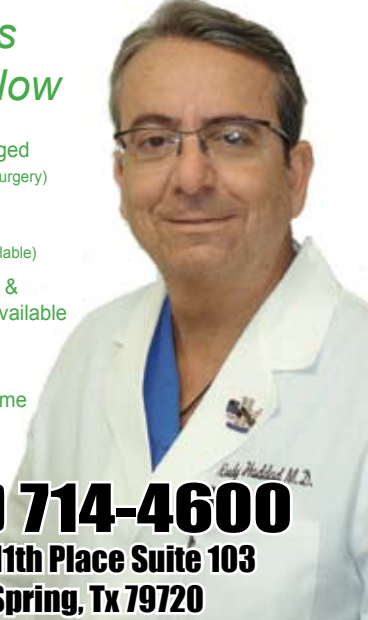
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