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## Taking to the skies



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Volunteers with the 2013 U.S. National Hang Gliding Championship help this pilot prepare to be towed into the air during competition at the McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark Monday afternoon. The competition continues through the week and features hang gliding teams from the United States, Mexico, Guatemala and other nations.

## Championships off to great start, officials say

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

If it seems like the skies above Big Spring are busier than usual, it's not your imagination, as the 2013 U.S. National Hang Gliding Championship continues at the McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark.

According to U.S. National Hang Gliding organizer Belinda Boulter, with just two days under the pilots' belts, the championship is shaping

up to be an amazing time for all involved.

"We ended (registration) with a field of 49 pilots, including a strong last-minute entry by the Guatemalan team," Boulter said. "Everyone had a great time at the welcome dinner, which was hosted by the city of Big Spring and organized by the local Hang Gliding Committee."

"Sunday we had classic Big Spring conditions, with some helpful clouds

at the beginning, high climbs to around 10,000 feet and a 25-mile-per-hour tailwind for most of the task. Sunday's task was to fly downwind to a turn-point at Brownfield, then crosswind to a goal at Town & Country Airpark, which is a total of 109 miles."

Boulter said favorable conditions helped the pilots

"Between 15 and 20 pilots made goal," she said. "First to arrive was Mike Bilyk, a young California pilot

who has only been competing for a short time and who was very happy, indeed. This competition includes a Sport Class of eight pilots, who are either new to competition or are flying lower-performance hang gliders. They also had a tremendous day."

Area residents who would like to get a taste of the winds during this year's championship will get their chance,

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## Library gearing up for annual book sale

By **ANDREIA MEDLIN**  
 Staff Writer

Just say no to romance – novels. The Friends of the Library annual book sale is just around the corner and books are needed.

"We need books," said Joann Staulcup of the Friends of the Library. "The book sale is coming up in September and we need donations."

Although books of any genre or subject are welcome, the non-profit group are particular when it comes to certain aspects of the books they will take.

"We want good, clean, quality books," Staulcup said

**"We want good, clean, quality books. If your dog has chewed on it, we don't want it."**

Joann Staulcup  
 Friends of the Library



Staulcup

in regards to the physical characteristics of the books and added, "If your dog has chewed on it, we don't want it." Paperbacks are most desired and Large Print books are also among the coveted.

"We seem to have a lot of macular degeneration in this area," as Staulcup related that she had met "...at least 15 people," with the eye disease which causes a gradual loss of vision.

While hardcovers are most

valued by some book collectors, they can be cumbersome for elderly or infirm readers.

"Hardcovers are too heavy for some elderly people to hold," Staulcup explained that the weight makes them awkward and thus less desirable.

In the past mass marketed romance novels such as Harlequin or Silhouette were very popular, a trend that continues today, but being popular can have its draw-

backs. "People have brought in boxes full of them," said Staulcup. "But nobody buys them. So we really don't need them or Reader's Digest Condensed Books."

Big sellers at past book sales include: Westerns – always the most popular, especially among male readers, mysteries and Amish fiction.

In comparison with retail prices of \$8 to \$10 or more for a paperback and twice or more as much for hardcovers, prices at the sale are a real bargain. "It's the best prices for the best cause," according to Staulcup.

Books of all categories are needed and will be priced according to size, age and value.

Current hardcover fiction

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## Obituaries

Kelly Suzanne  
Barnes McElyea

CLYDE — Kelly Suzanne Barnes McElyea died at the age of 51 on Aug. 3, 2013, of cervical cancer at her home in Clyde, Texas.

A celebration of her life will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2013, at Sweet Fellowship Church of God In Christ, 2106 Shellhorse Rd., Dallas, Texas 75241.

Kelly was born Feb. 11, 1962, in Big Spring, Texas. She attended school in El Paso, Texas, and moved to Duncanville, Texas, in 1977. She lived in Arkansas with her sons from her first marriage and her youngest son was born in Arkansas.

After making her way back to Duncanville, she moved to Clyde, Texas, in 2012. Over her career she worked as a bank teller at Red Bird Bank in Dallas, a bank teller and court clerk in Arkansas and finally as an operator/dispatcher for a doctor's telephone exchange before her illness forced her to retire. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

She gave her heart to everyone and was beloved by all. She was known for helping anyone she saw or knew needed it and never asked for credit or anything in return. Her favorite flower was a hand-picked wild flower from anyone who would give her one.

Kelly is survived by three sons, Jimmy and Daniel McElyea, both of Dothan, Ala., and Branden Miles of Shelbyville, Tenn.; her mother, Karen Greenhill of Clyde, Texas; her two sisters, Teresa Winters of Duncanville, Texas, and Bobbie Harder and husband Roger of Kaufman, Texas; several nieces and nephews; two aunts, Kathy Perez and Karla Chavarria; and her uncle, James Greenhill, all of Big Spring, Texas.

A special thanks to Dr. Mark Reedy, the Alliance for Women and Children and Hendrick Hospice Care for their care and support.

Online condolences may be made at [www.bailey-howardfuneralhome.com](http://www.bailey-howardfuneralhome.com)

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Jowili 'Mama Jo'  
Taylor Etchison

Jowili "Mama Jo" Taylor Etchison went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Saturday, Aug. 3, 2013. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

She was born in Kiowa County, Okla., on Dec. 26, 1919, to Clyde and Joe Emma Clare Taylor. They moved to Littlefield, Texas, when she was 12 years old.

She married Waymon Etchison on Nov. 15, 1941, in Littlefield. They farmed in Dawson and Glasscock counties. When Waymon retired in 1972 they moved to Big Spring.

She belonged to Hillcrest Baptist Church, where she was very active in teaching for more than 60 years. Bible school was another part of her church activities. She loved her church and the Christian fellowship.

She was a member of the Home Demonstration Club for more than 50 years and was recognized at the state convention for her services in that organization.

She leaves behind a legacy of having a kind and generous heart and an ever present smile, as well as being a great wife, a wonderful mother and mother-in-law, grandmother and great-grandmother. A loyal friend to all who knew her, she loved to have company in her home and did much home cooking.

She is survived by a son, Taylor D. Etchison; a daughter, Gaylene Gambrel and husband Dean; a granddaughter, Whitney Sharp and husband Jason; two grandsons, Brian Etchison and wife Amy and Clayton Gambrel and wife Laurie; a granddaughter, Crystal Wu and husband Danny; step-grandchildren, Crystal Medlin and husband Chad, Melissa Adame and husband Michael and Chad Sumners and wife Farrah; and 13 great-grandchildren with another due in January 2014.

One brother, Norbin Taylor and wife also survive her, along with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

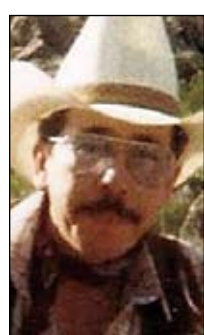
She was preceded in death by her husband; mother and father; and a brother, J.W. Taylor.

The family suggests memorials be made to Hillcrest Baptist Church, 2000 W. FM 700, Big Spring, Texas 79720; or to The Word at Work, 1400 Wolfen Ave., Amarillo, Texas 79109, Attn: King's Children's Home/Etchison Memorial (King's Children's Home is an orphanage in Belmopan, Belize, for physically and sexually abused children).

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

*Paid obituary*

## Manuel Cervantes



Manuel Cervantes, 61, of Big Spring died Saturday, Aug. 3, 2013, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, 2013, at the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2013, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

He was born Aug. 5, 1951, in Big Spring, Texas, and married Margaret Resendez on June 18, 1983, in Fort Davis, Texas.

Manuel graduated from Big Spring High School and attended Howard College. He served in the U.S. Army. He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Parish.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Cervantes; his mother, Maria Cervantes; two sons, Manuel Cervantes III and Donald Cervantes; one daughter, Joanne Cervantes; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren, all of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his father, Manuel Cervantes Sr.; one brother, Manuel; one sister, Neomi Herrera; and a daughter, Catalina.

The family suggests memorials be made to Holy Trinity Catholic Parish Building Fund, P.O. Box 951, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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## Cad H. Wingert



Cad H. Wingert, 87, of Big Spring died Monday, Aug. 5, 2013, in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

He was born Nov. 11, 1926, in Gainesville, Texas, to a band of circus folk. He joined the United States Navy in 1944 and served his country proudly through the end of World War II. Upon his return, he enrolled at Texas Christian University to pursue a degree in mathematics before beginning what would become a 45-year career in aerospace engineering.

During his career, he most notably worked to produce the B-1 bomber and several space shuttles for NASA. He also found love, marrying Margaret Partridge, mother to his children, a marriage that lasted for 30 years. Then July 3, 1979, he remarried — this time to Anne Harrison. He retired from the Rockwall Institute before moving to Big Spring in the summer of 1992.

Cad Wingert is survived by his loving wife, Anne of Big Spring; his two sons, William Wingert of Farmers Branch and Chris Wingert and wife Karen of Abilene; his grandchildren, Brian Wingert and wife Amanda of Big Spring, Crystal Hutchinson and husband Michael of Colliersville, Tenn., Kelly Wingert and John Stewart, both of Big Spring; and several great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Big Spring Humane Society, P.O. Box 823, Big Spring, Texas 79721-0823.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Aug. 5, 2013 and 7 a.m. today:

• JOSE DANIEL MUNOZ, 23, of 3301 East 11<sup>th</sup> Place, was arrested Monday on warrants for failure to display drivers license and failure to appear.

• STEVEN THOMAS SIMS, 30, of 5109 Longshore, was arrested Monday on a warrant for driving while license suspended and two counts of failure to appear.

• ROXANNE RODRIQUEZ BLACKWELL, 39, of 108 Northwest 8<sup>th</sup> Street, was arrested Monday on a warrant from another agency.

• JOSE LUIS MARTINEZ, 30, of 408 North Scurry, was arrested Monday on a warrant from another agency.

• JEFFERY ALLEN WALLECK, 34, of 1516 Tucson, was arrested Monday on a charge of assault causing bodily injury.

• JARRON DAWAN VANDERBILT, 29, of 1502 Lincoln was arrested Monday on charges of possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance greater than or equal to 4 grams but less than 200 grams and on a warrant

## Support Groups

## TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or [kerriroosenbaum9488@msn.com](mailto:kerriroosenbaum9488@msn.com)

from another agency.

• THEFT OF A FIREARM was reported at the 1700 block of Yale.

• THEFT was reported at the 2500 block of Dow and the 3600 block of West Highway 80.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 1300 block of Lincoln.

• HARASSMENT was reported at the 3600 block of West Highway 80.

## Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 80 inmates at the time of this report.

• ROBERT PAUL NEWTON, 30, was booked by the HCSO to begin sentence for theft of property greater than or equal to \$500 but less than \$1,500.

• JOSE DANIEL MUNOZ, 23, was booked by the BSPD on charges of failure to display drivers license and failure to appear.

• ROXANNE RODRIQUEZ BLACKWELL, 39, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for parent contributing to non-attendance.

• JOSE LUIS MARTINEZ, 30, was booked by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated and supervision revocation.

• JEFFERY ALLEN WALLECK, 34, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of assault causing bodily injury.

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

• MARQUIN HARRIS, 27, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of delivery of a controlled substance greater than or equal to 1 gram but less than 4 grams.

• JARRON DAWAN VANDERBILT, 29, was booked by the BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance greater than or equal to 4 grams but less than 200 grams and on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance greater than or equal to 1 gram but less than 4 grams.

• ANDY LEE FLORES, 21, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of theft.

## Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and EMS reported the following activity:

Friday:

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported at the 1000 block of West Fourth. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported at the 1300 block of Colby. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported at the 2800 block of Walter. One patient transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported at the 100 block of Colorado Road, Sandsprings. One patient transported to SMMC.

• GRASS FIRE was reported at the 1400 block of East 19<sup>th</sup> Street. Extinguished.

Saturday:

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported at the 400 block of Boeing. One transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA was reported at the 200 block of Northeast 6<sup>th</sup> Street. One patient transported to SMMC.

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported at North Highway 87 and Interstate Highway 20.

• STRUCTURE FIRE was reported at the 200 block of Northeast 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Extinguished.

• RUBBISH FIRE was reported at the 1700 block of Rickabaugh. Extinguished.

Sunday:

• MEDICAL was reported at the 3600 block of West Highway 80. One patient transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA was reported at the 1400 block of North Highway 87. One patient transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA was reported at the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One patient transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA was reported at the 1500 block of Johnson. One patient transported to SMMC.

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A pilot works on his glider before competing in the U.S. Hang Gliding Championships, which continue this week at McMahon-Wrinkle Airport.

# Around the area

## Women's Fair & Expo

MIDLAND — "Be Inspired" is the theme of The 4th Annual Women's Fair & Expo scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at the Midland county Horseshoe.

Nearly 60 vendors will be offering everything from home products and décor, health and homoeopathic products to purses, clothing, footwear, makeup, jewelry and gifts galore. And, since this will be the Tax Free Weekend, you'll save even more money on lots of items. There will also be fashion shows and kid's and women's workshops.

Dr. Leslie Chupp, MD/ FACOG, regional director of the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women's Health will present a lecture on various types of pelvic disease, symptoms associated with these diseases and treatment options available. Audience members will be able to ask questions during the Q&A portion or during the presentation via Twitter at #pdirl.

Also making presentations at The Expo are Patty Pisklak, executive director of CASA, Stacy Wilson with the Gladney Center for Adoption and Dianne Eggenmeyer, founder of ABC Ministry (Angle Baby Creations).

For more information and the schedule of events go to [www.wfetx.com](http://www.wfetx.com).

## Head to jail before Labor Day

ODESSA — Head to jail before Labor Day will be held at 9 a.m. Aug. 26 at the University of Texas at Permian Basin courtyard, 4901 E. University Blvd. in Odessa.

Event Details:

Put on an orange jumpsuit and step inside jail to get your mug shot taken. Of course, this is simulated jail. Texas Department of Transportation is bringing its "Drink. Drive. Go to Jail." mobile jail cell to campus — complete with a toilet, sink and bunk bed. The Labor Day holiday should be fun, not deadly.

Write on the traveling story wall about why you'd never drink and drive.

## Take note

- The public is invited to "Tune Up" for the new symphony season with the Big Spring Symphony Guild. The event will include a salad luncheon and information on becoming a Guild member. "Tune Up" will be held at noon Saturday at 2800 Crestline Road in Big Spring. The Guild promotes the Big Spring Symphony through volunteerism in service, education and fundraising. RSVP 432-264-7671.

- The Chalet is accepting donations of magazines. They should be brought to the Community Relations office. For more information, call Jamey Stegall at 268-7535 or [james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us](mailto:james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us)

- Donations are needed for Rene Hinojos and Deborah Pearce, who lost everything in a fire. Donations can be made to account 6705393395 at BBVA Compas Bank, 1500 Gregg St., Big Spring. Make checks payable to Shannon Galan in care of Hinojos/Pearce.

- Spring of Siloam Christian Women's Job Corps is accepting applications for its fall semester classes through the final week in August. For more information, call 432-517-4627.

- The Howard County Sheriff's Posse will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6 at Crispy's Cafe, located near the intersection of Birdwell Lane and FM 700. The local group is

looking for new members and would like to encourage anyone interested in joining to attend the meeting. For more information on the Howard County Sheriff's Posse or the meeting, contact Steve Gray at 432-213-6104 or Bert Sheppard at 432-263-4483.

- Diabetes and Nutrition will be the August Healthy Woman event in Room 215 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Paula Sue Sisson, new SMMC dietitian, will be the featured speaker. Find out about inpatient and upcoming outpatient services regarding diabetes and nutritional consultations. The event, set Aug. 8 with a Lunch n Learn at 11:30 a.m. and refreshments and light snacks at 5:30 p.m., is free to the public, as always. For more information or to RSVP, call 268-4842 or 268-4721.

- Howard College Foundation Speaker Series and Scenic Mountain Medical Center's Healthy Woman program present "The Love Chromosome" featuring Derrick Tennant as the Fall Speaker Series on Sept. 5 at 7 p.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Tickets are free, but a ticket is required for admittance. Tennant is a motivational speaker and comedian. He will be speaking about the challenges in his own life and how people can turn their own obstacles into building blocks instead of road blocks. For more information or to reserve a free ticket, call Amanda Duforat at 432-268-4842 or Jan Foresyth at 432-264-5051.

## SALE

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and non-fiction less than a year old will be \$5, those more than a year old will be \$4. Paperbacks will run anywhere from \$1 to 50

cents depending on size and age.

Large coffee table and art books will be priced as marked.

All proceeds go to the Howard County Library and help with expenses beyond their budget. "We've bought comput-

er chairs, computers, a people counter, it helps with the Summer Reading program and it enhances literacy in Howard County," Staulcup said and added, "It keeps the patrons happy."

The sale takes place in the basement of the

Library located at 500 Main Street, 264-2260. Fax: 432-264-2263. e-mail: [reference@howardcountytexas.com](mailto:reference@howardcountytexas.com), it is slated for Sept. 19, 20 and 21 and will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. On Sunday the sale will be

from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Donations can be taken to the Library and if you have a lot don't worry, help is available. "Just go into the Library and one of the employees will help you bring them in," said Staulcup.

For more information about the sale call Joann Staulcup at 263-4980 or the Library at 264-2260.

To contact Andrea Medlin call the Herald at 263-7331 ext. 234 or email [life@bigspringherald.com](mailto:life@bigspringherald.com)

## GLIDERS

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according to Boulter.

"We will again be offering tandem discovery flights early and late in the day, as weather permits," Boulter said. "Members of the general public fly with a certified tandem instructor, towing up to about 2,500 feet and flying for about a half hour.

"Tandem flights will cost \$100 and for an additional \$35 people will receive an SD card filled with either still photos or video of their flight. Contacts for tandem discovery flights are Jonny Thompson at 252-207-9597 and Russell Brown at 352-516-8616. Remember, however, tandem flights are dependent on the weather."

Pilots will have plenty of dry — and hot — weather to contend with during the championship, as weather outlets call for several 100-plus degree days in the coming week.

"We are definitely preparing for hot weather on the ground and will be cautioning pilots

about the dangers of the heat and sun," Straub said. "It doesn't look as though we'll have much threat of thunderstorm activity — a bit on Thursday — so that's great. We should have a very full week of flying."

This year's championship marks the 11<sup>th</sup> year in a row the event has been held in the Crossroads area, thanks in part to the great hang gliding weather, according to assistant organizer and hang gliding competitor Davis Straub.

"We come back to Big Spring because of the excellent competition and soaring conditions in August in Big Spring," Straub said. "We also come back because the town is so welcoming. Big Spring gives us sup-

port that no other city in the U.S. provides and the local committee does a lot of work to make our event happen. The airport facilities are excellent and make for a safer competition and an inviting atmosphere, and Airport Manager Jim Little goes out of his way to make us welcome there.

"I particularly enjoy flying in the Big Spring area because we can get high, but not so high that we need oxygen or get too cold. We can fly big tasks — the average

task is 100 miles or more each of the seven days of competition — and we have large, safe, unobstructed landing areas,

which includes easy access for our retrieval drivers because of the road system."

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at [citydesk@bigspringherald.com](mailto:citydesk@bigspringherald.com)

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Thank you, sweet Lord, for placing the wonders of the world at our doorstep.

Amen

# Lighting a fire under the GOP

Of the many ironies accompanying President Obama's reign of error, few are more perplexing to conservatives than the disunity and ineffectuality of the Republican opposition.

From the beginning of his first term, Obama has been fulfilling his promise to fundamentally transform America — albeit in a way he didn't fully disclose when he made the pledge.

Indeed, Obama has proved in every way imaginable how serious he was and remains about steering the nation away from its founding principles. On a series of fronts, he has brought about major policy changes that are leading to the financial bankruptcy and accelerated decline of this great nation.

Though poll after poll indicates that the American people are more conservative than liberal and oppose, more than support, Obama's policy agenda, he has continued to escape accountability for making major changes against the people's will and even won re-election to a second term.

Republicans have been wholly discombobulated by this phenomenon and divided as to how they should combat it. From relatively early in Obama's first term to the present, a faction of Republicans has urged restraint in opposing Obama, while another has advocated a more vigorous opposition.

We've seen the same dichotomy throughout virtually every budget battle, with one group urging the GOP to take firmer positions against Obama's manifestly unreasonable budgets and continuing resolutions and the other counseling caution, reasoning that it makes little sense for Republicans to stridently oppose Obama on matters they didn't have the votes to win because he would be able to demonize them as obstructionists.

This internal split has sometimes grown fierce, with the tea

party and self-styled Reaganites charging that the other group comprises establishment RINOs — or Republicans in name only. The latter group, in turn, often accuses the first of being extremist and hotheaded flamethrowers.

Some on each side of the divide see the disagreement as more a matter of tactics than substance, whereas others adamantly disagree.

Personally, I do believe some of the disagreement can be chalked up to tactics — but far from all of it. For example, many on the “establishment” side are all too willing to adopt the language of Democrats in painting the tea party side as narrow-minded and even hateful on matters from immigration to dependency programs.

I find myself on the tea party/Reaganite side of the argument but acknowledge we must find a way to unite our party in order to recapture power and begin to roll back Obama's destruction.

I don't believe that our group is extreme or self-destructively strident.

Rather, we believe we will be likelier to achieve our ultimate goals if we more effectively oppose Obama by using plain language to clearly articulate our conservative vision and not candy-coating Obama's extreme views.

We must inspire Americans to rally behind our agenda rather than always play defense, acting ashamed of who we are and offering the voters little more than Democrat lite.

How far have we gotten with the cautious approach, after all? Didn't many conservatives stay at home in 2012 out of disillusionment with the party?

Obama and the Democrats never scale back their policy demands. They never reach across the aisle in an effort to compromise. They just get more and more militant, notwithstanding the obvious causal relationship between their liberal policies and the miserable state of the country and its ongoing decline.

I have no interest in demonizing or impugning the motives of the “establishment” group, but I think it's time that group opened

up to the idea that in order to rebuild a successful coalition, we have to enthusiastically and unapologetically embrace principles the Republican Party has always professed to believe in.

We must confront Obama's despicable arguments head-on, from his kooky environmental extremism and his draconian, growth-smothering policies based on it to his incessant appeals to race, gender and class warfare.

But that alone won't be enough. We can't just defend ourselves against his arguments; we must relearn how to make an affirmative case for conservative principles as if we truly believe in them. We must not only squarely refute the Marxist lie that conservatism is heartless but show that it is more compassionate because it produces the most benefit for the most people.

We should never expect to turn things around if we continue to hang our heads as if in shame about our belief in limited government and the free market. We should present policies across the board consistent with that philosophy.

History, logic and common sense are on our side. Let's shed our fear and turn the tables on Obama and his group of fellow destroyers and give the voters a reason — a compelling incentive — to rally to our cause. Half-measures will only lead to further incremental advancements for statism and our inability to turn things around and get America back on track. Let's quit underestimating American voters — especially conservatives, moderates and independents — and give them good reasons to vote for us.

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# We don't need political mini royals

Can Huma save Anthony Weiner? Why Huma “stands by her man.” What is Huma thinking? These and other pseudo questions top our political news these days.

One appreciates the enormous entertainment value of the repetitiously lewd former Rep. Anthony Weiner, as of this writing still a candidate for New York City mayor. But this obsession also reflects a political culture that turned our politicians' nephews, daughters, sons and wives into mini royals.

The conversation demotes the important consideration of whether these soap opera figures can serve the little people, the voters. Why Huma Abedin stays with her beyond-strange husband should be of no consequence to New Yorkers, except perhaps for the 0.001 percent of them who care about sexual propriety in others.

If the electorate concludes from his antics that Weiner is out of his mind and therefore unfit to run Gotham, that's another matter. How Huma is taking it all is her concern.

The parallel between the hyperventilating coverage of Britain's royal birth — third in line, third in line — and the forced celebration of our elected officials' relatives is disturbing.

Liz Cheney, daughter of Dick and product of the Washington suburbs, recently established

primary residency in her father's home state of Wyoming to challenge incumbent Sen. Michael Enzi for the Republican nomination. Liz's entree to politics, chiefly as a talking head on TV, comes from her close kinship to the former vice president. Her agenda, one suspects, is to bag a senatorial seat from which to advance the Cheney financial interests in Washington.

Of all the dusty towns to choose from for demonstrating her loyalty to Wyoming, Liz picked the posh ski resort of Jackson Hole. Proximity to the big money must be a comfort.

Caroline Kennedy, best known as the daughter of John F. Kennedy, is President Obama's nominee as next ambassador to Japan. It's true that academics, business leaders and other non-career diplomats have done the job well. But what makes Caroline Kennedy, a socialite, the best choice to represent the United States before our fourth-biggest trading partner?

We get it. This is Obama payback for the Kennedy family endorsement in his race for the Democratic nomination. That doesn't make it less aggravating.

Back in 2008, there was sickening talk about the Kennedy family “passing the torch” to Obama, rather than Hillary Clinton. Years of stories detailing various Kennedy boys' abuse of women blew that flame out long ago, except in some cliché-frozen corners of the media.

Still, the torches keep getting thrown at us, as in the recent headline crowning an unusually servile New York Times piece: “Caroline Kennedy, Catching

the Torch.”

Imagine, she deigns to converse with ordinary folk bothering her. “Ms. Kennedy is said to be patient and gracious during these encounters, as she deflects and gently parries, leaving the other person feeling as if he or she has had a significant conversation, even if almost nothing at all was really said.”

Hope the reporter got an autograph.

Former Vice President Walter Mondale adds his two cents: “The Japanese will be thrilled with this news. They love the Kennedys over there. ... I think they will be honored.”

I think they will be insulted. As for the American people, you wonder what kind of attention Joe Blow needing help in Tokyo is going to get from an Ambassador Caroline. At best, “a feeling” he has had a significant conversation.

This plea may be futile, but Americans need reminding that politicians are here to serve us. We, the little people, have no obligation to revere their relatives. We got rid of our royals over two centuries ago. We don't need mini royals now.

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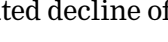
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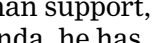
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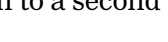
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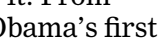
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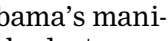
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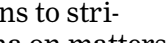
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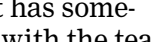
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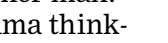
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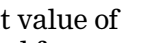
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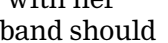
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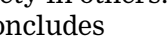
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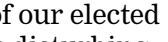
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This trick takes a little practice. Do it a few times until you can do it well. Then, perform it for your friends and family!

**STUFF YOU'LL NEED:**

- scissors
- clear plastic lid
- small glass
- pitcher of water

### THE MAGIC RAIN TRICK

**Prepare your props**

Place the glass upside down on the plastic lid. Trace around the glass to make a circle, drawing a little tab as shown. Cut just outside the circle to make it a little bit larger than the mouth of the glass. Be sure to cut out the tab.

**1. Perform the trick**

Place your pitcher and glass on a table. Hide the plastic circle in the hand you won't use to pour.

**2.** Pour water from the pitcher into the glass, until it begins to overflow. Say “I can tip this glass of water over my head and keep it from pouring out.”

**3.** Put down the pitcher and cover the mouth of the glass with the hand hiding the plastic circle. Secretly place the circle over the mouth of the glass, covering the entire top.

**4.** Pick up the glass with your other hand and turn it over quickly, but gently. Slowly remove the hand holding the top of the glass. If done right, the circle will stick to the glass and the water won't spill out.

**5.** Lift the glass over your head and say “Magic tricks are hot work. I think I'll cool off.” Then gently push on the tab. The plastic circle will come off and the water will fall on you!

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple-step directions with accuracy.

### The Science Behind the Trick:

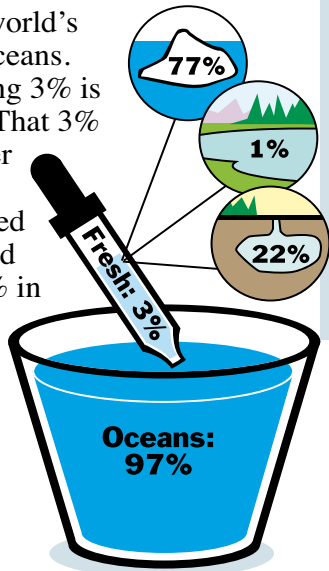
**Air pressure is all around us. The plastic lid sticks to the surface of the water and is pressed by air pressure. Even when the glass is turned over, air pressure will hold the plastic lid in place.**

### Extra! Extra! Water Planet

**North Pole Expedition**

You have \$1,000 to spend on things for a trip to the North Pole. Look through today's newspaper and “buy” what you'll need. Can you spend exactly \$1,000 without going over?

97% of the world's water is in oceans. The remaining 3% is fresh water. That 3% of fresh water divides into 77% contained in icecaps and glaciers, 22% in groundwater aquifers (drinking water) and 1% in lakes and streams.



Standards Link: Mathematics: Number Sense: Students estimate and solve problems using money amounts.

### Float an Egg

**Question:** How can you make an egg float in a bowl of water?

**Hypothesis\*:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*Note: a hypothesis means a thoughtful guess.

**GET:** a large bowl  
warm water  
an egg  
salt  
spoon



**DO:**

1. Fill your bowl with warm water.
2. Gently place the egg in the water. What happens?

1. Remove the egg and stir at least one cup of salt into the water. Stir until you can't see any grains of salt.
2. The water will look cloudy. Place the egg in the salty water. What happens?

### An Egg-splanation

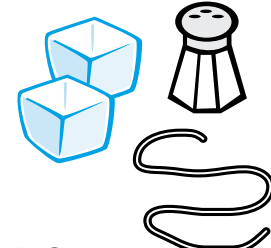
Did the egg float? Adding salt to water makes it heavier. In salty water the amount of water the egg displaces weighs more than the egg and the egg floats.

Standards Link: Science/Investigation: Conduct simple experiments.

### Salty Science

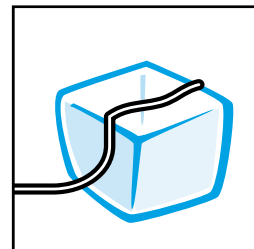
Most of the ocean doesn't freeze. Why? Salt water freezes at a lower temperature than fresh water.

**GET:** ice cubes  
thread  
salt

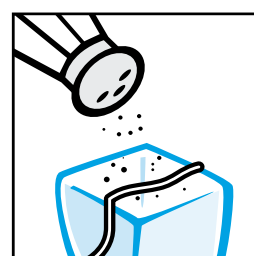


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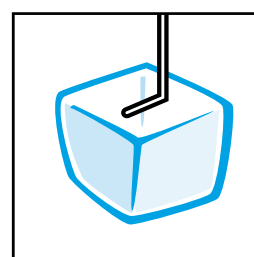
1. Soak your thread in some water then lay it on top of an ice cube.



2. Sprinkle a tiny bit of salt along the thread and wait about 30 seconds.



3. Lift the thread. Does the ice cube cling to the thread and get lifted as well?



**Explanation:** The salt melts the surface of the ice. The coldness of the ice then refreezes this water, trapping the thread and freezing it to the ice.

### Saltiest Sea

The Dead Sea in Israel is the saltiest body of water in the world. You could float on top of the water and read Kid Scoop!



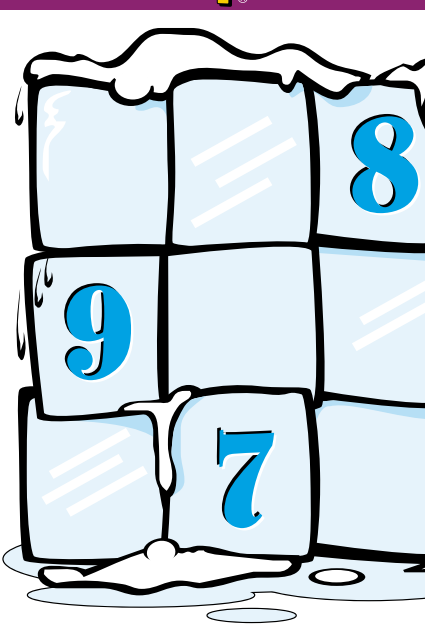
Standards Link: Science/Investigation: Conduct simple experiments.

### Kid Scoop-doku™

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word MAGIC in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

M	A	G	I	C
		M		G
				M
G	M			
C			M	

### Kid Scoop Puzzler



Quick! Before it melts! Solve the puzzle frozen in my ice cubes and you will have good luck!

Fill in the blank squares with numbers to make the sum of each side and each diagonal add up to 15.

Standards Link: Mathematics: Number Sense: Adding sums to 15.

### Double Double Word Search

QUESTION  
PRESSURE  
PRACTICE  
SCIENCE  
SURFACE  
MAGIC  
FLOAT  
WATER  
TRICK  
TRACE  
SALT  
BOWL  
HIDE  
HEAD  
EGG

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

K	C	I	R	T	M	T	H	E	M
P	A	S	U	R	F	A	C	E	G
R	F	H	I	D	E	S	G	I	C
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S	M	E	O	I	A	G	R	L	C
S	H	D	E	A	R	E	A	I	N
U	I	N	O	I	T	S	E	U	Q
R	C	P	R	A	C	T	I	C	E
E	T	L	W	O	B	R	I	C	K

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

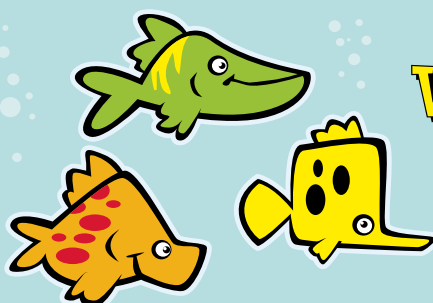
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### Find the Question

Read an article in today's newspaper and find a quote from a person being interviewed. What question do you think the interviewer asked?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Understand and interpret quotations in expository text.



### Why do fish live in salt water?

ANSWER: Because pepper makes them sneeze.

### Write On!

#### Write Words Wonderfully

Write a sentence in which all, or most of the words start with the same letter. Example: *Betty's brother brought buckets of beans to the beach.*

# Bird Poop: An unforgettable impression

Leaving One Mile Lake, the drainage canal courses its way past deserted buildings that once held thriving businesses during World War II. Along the north side of the rail yard, it meanders until reaching the Benton Street overpass. Narrowing through the heavy growth within the channel, slowly moving waters then head southeast.

Its murky depths and muddy banks, however, hold an attraction for avian wildlife. The waters are known to be home to a type of desert pupfish. Myriad insect populations frequent

its damp embankments with dense grasses and, in places, scraggly trees.

To this area, during the morning, had come the young sons of several families. Whatever they found along the embankments and in the grasses would be exciting. Being outdoors and free to roam the area was an adventure they relished.

As their footsteps flushed numerous grasshoppers into flight, they headed back up an embankment. To take what they had caught back to the neighborhood would gain them recognition. They had captured the fastest!

In their culture, it was well respected. To have one even cross your path meant wealth would come your way.

With a phone call, we learned of the capture of a roadrunner. Reach-

ing the fenced yard of his home, a boy, with one clinched hand against his chest, had managed to open a screened door with the other. He had called to the adults inside.

Soon everyone marveled at the long bill and legs of a heavily streaked bird. Turned loose to wander within the barrier that surrounded the home, the roadrunner had tried to flee. Running into the chain-link fence, it had finally realized it must take flight to escape not only the people, but also what they had forgotten.

As it rose from the ground with strong, but slow wing beats, their dog lunged forward enough to grab a wing with its mouth. Hurrying to the roadrunner's assistance, the boy's father caused the dog to drop the bird.

Continuing our conversation, the caller was concerned about the roadrunner's wing. "It drags on the ground," she continued.

Upon reaching the residence, we noticed the broom-swept earth that surrounded the home. For the women living in the house, it was part of a daily or weekly routine.

To one side of the yard, the adult men had gathered. Sitting under the shade of a large tree, their conversation and laughter lent to a festive gathering.

As we made a U-turn to park in front of the property, I noticed the



bird pacing back and forth along the fence line. When I told Art it was not a roadrunner, the shock in my voice caused him to lean across the center console in order to see the bird. "Looks like some type of heron," he replied.

Walking up to the gate as a family member picked up the bird, we introduced ourselves. Having called us, the woman was quite upset that their dog had hurt the bird.

After telling her it was a heron, and not a roadrunner, I asked where the boys had found it. "Along the creek," she answered.

A shore bird, the little green heron would have been attracted to that area to search for small fish, minnows and water bugs. Dense growth would harbor dragonflies and small grasshoppers, while damp earth bordering the water could offer earthworms.

With brownish-red

stripes down its neck and breast, the heron was a darker brown with buff above. Chestnut coloration on the sides of its head was becoming more prominent. It was in its first summer's plumage.

The boys had been fooled into believing it was a roadrunner by its long legs and bill, and the way it hunted. Crouching low to the ground, with its head and neck extended, it had stalked its prey, be it insect or fish, with one foot slowly and carefully placed in front of the other.

As an adult, the heron's chestnut hues would darken and spread across the upper breast and chest. Although its eyes would remain yellow as it matured, the top of its head would often be described as a glossy green, while its back and wings would appear to take on a greenish black hue.

Since the boys had joined the men under

the tree, I shared our concerns in regard to the heron. Shoulder breaks were not repairable. Since our veterinary hospital was still open, we would take the heron to Scott Burt. If he agreed, euthanasia was the kindest solution for the bird's plight.

If returned to the wild, the injured heron would have been vulnerable to mammals searching for food. Its life would be short, and its ending cruel and painful.

By telling her this came an understanding. A shore bird unable to migrate to Mexico, and further south, would have a difficult time in a season where no insects are available. While its coloration blended with the summer environment to help it remain hidden, a cold winter would eliminate the foliage the heron needed for protection.

Through the matriarch of the family, children and adults would learn the importance of another species' role in our environment. Known in other parts of our country as the "fly-up-the-creek" heron, this five ounce being, feathers included, had made an unforgettable impression.

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Since the boys had joined the men under

## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### All That Glitters Is Not Gold

West dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

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♣ 10 7 5 3

**WEST**  
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♥ A 9 8 7  
♦ A 9 7 6 4  
♣ —

**EAST**  
♠ 10 9 3  
♥ K 10 5  
♦ K Q 8  
♣ K Q J 4

**SOUTH**  
♠ A Q 7 4 2  
♥ 4  
♦ J 2  
♣ A 9 8 6 2

The bidding:  
West North East South  
1♦ Pass 2♣ 2♠  
Dble Pass Pass Pass  
Opening lead — ace of diamonds.

The question of whether or not to overcall an opponent's opening bid, or the response to an opening bid, is more a matter of common sense than anything else.

For example, if you held the South hand in today's deal and your right-hand opponent bid one diamond as dealer, you should surely overcall with one spade. You have the values for an opening bid, a reasonable trump suit and good distribution. You don't expect to make game (though

it's certainly possible if partner has good trump support), but there's a real chance of making a partscore in spades or clubs while stopping the opponents from making a partscore in hearts or diamonds. Stated differently, it's better to compete against one diamond than to pass.

But the situation is totally different if West opens one diamond and, after partner passes, East responds two clubs. To enter the bidding now with two spades is tantamount to suicide, since you have little to gain and a lot to lose.

It would be unrealistic to argue that you have the values for an opening bid and are therefore entitled to express them. Such an attitude would indicate that you have completely ignored the significance of the opponents' bids — namely, that West has at least 13 points, while East has indicated 10 or more points with his two-club response. This does not leave much in the way of high cards for your partner, and there is furthermore no assurance that he is going to have support for spades.

The deal and the bidding shown actually occurred in a 1980 team match between Canada and the United States. The Canadian South bid two spades over East's two clubs, got doubled and paid the piper to the tune of 1,400 points!

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## What *did* happen to Randolph Scott?

I was enjoying a Statler Brothers album recently when they began singing, "Whatever happened to Randolph Scott." That got me to thinking about the days of yore when Randolph Scott was extremely popular and made me want to find out what did happen to him.

Those of you who are somewhere around my

age may have wondered that too. To jog your memory, Randolph Scott was a versatile, tall, good looking lead actor in many films, mainly western. He specialized in playing the quiet and smooth talking, fast gun drawing hero.

Scott began to enjoy acting while in college and developed a real love for the stage. He moved to California in 1928 and with a letter of introduction from his father, he met millionaire filmmaker Howard Hughes. This led to his introduction to Fox

Studios.

He was then hired as Gary Cooper's dialogue coach and also, played a small uncredited role in the 1929 film "The Virginian."

Throughout the 30s and 40s he became a star. He starred with John Wayne and Marlene Dietrich for two 1942 action dramas, "The Spoilers" and "Pittsburgh" where some of the longest fist-fighting scenes in film history took place. He became a top 10 box-office attraction in the 50s and later developed his own company which he

called Ranown.

His last movie was in 1962 and was classified as one of his greatest: "Ride the High Country." He was teamed with an old friend, Joel McCrea, in a touching, elegant tale of aged gunfighters, now on opposite sides of the law, but reunited in one last adventure.

For Scott, starring as an over-the-hill former lawman, it was an altogether fitting vehicle with which to end his screen career.

Altogether, he made 41 movies. He retired in 1962 and spent his remaining years playing golf and becoming extremely wealthy through his investments. He died at his Bel-Air home in California, March 2, 1987, at the age of 89. He is buried in Charlotte, N.C. It is said he had suffered with a weak heart and a severe bout of pneumonia.

He was survived by his second wife, Patricia and his two children, Christopher and Sandra.

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## Sudoku Answer on Page 3

# sudoku

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	6			8		2		9
		5			6			

### Rangers' Cruz said he made 'error in judgment'

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Nelson Cruz stood up in Texas' clubhouse and apologized to the Rangers, telling them why he accepted a 50-game suspension from Major League Baseball rather than appeal and try to stay on the field.

"It's disappointing, but at the same time, we all love Nelson, and we're going to support him through this," second baseman Ian Kinsler said. "He's serving the suspension like he should, and we're going to help him go on with this."

While teammates wouldn't discuss specifically what Cruz told them, they uniformly expressed support for their top slugger who will miss the rest of the regular season for the play-off-contending Rangers.

Cruz was among 13 players disciplined Monday by Major League Baseball for their relationship to Biogenesis of America, a closed anti-aging clinic in Florida accused of distributing banned performing-enhancing drugs.

The All-Star right fielder didn't speak publicly, but acknowledged in a statement that he made "an error in judgment" in the wake of a gastrointestinal infection from November 2011 through January 2012. He said the illness wasn't properly diagnosed at first and he lost 40 pounds before getting proper treatment.

"Just weeks before I was to report to spring training in 2012, I

was unsure whether I would be physically able to play," Cruz said. "Faced with this situation, I made an error in judgment that I deeply regret, and I accept full responsibility for that error. I should have handled the situation differently, and my illness was no excuse."

He provided no other specifics, including what he might have taken.

That happened around the same time the Rangers were fresh off their second consecutive World Series appearance, and Cruz signed a \$16 million, two-year contract to avoid salary arbitration. He was MVP of the 2011 AL championship series.

The 50-game suspension corresponds with the last 50 games of the regular season for Texas, which is trying to get into the playoffs for the fourth consecutive year. The 33-year-old Cruz, who can be a free agent after this season, would be eligible to play in the postseason if the Rangers make it.

The suspension will cost Cruz \$2,732,240 in salary for the rest of this season and the possibility of earning another \$500,000 in potential performance bonuses based on plate appearances that are no longer attainable.

General manager Jon Daniels said the team would be "open-minded" to Cruz returning for the playoffs.

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### Two-a-day practices have begun



HERALD file photo/Brian McCormack

Big Spring quarterback Toby Tannehill has a word with BSBS Head Coach Phillip Ritchey during a practice last year at Memorial Stadium. Tannehill will reprise his role as QB as the Steers attempt to get back in playoff contention after a 5-5 season. Big Spring's first scrimmage will be Aug. 16 at Memorial Stadium against Lubbock High School.

### Rangers lose Cruz for season, but top Angels again 5-2



AP photo

Texas' Elvis Andrus belts a two-run triple during the fifth inning of Monday's 5-2 win over the Los Angeles Angels in Anaheim. Rangers' pitcher Martin Perez held the Angels to four hits and struck out seven.

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Shortly after the Los Angeles Angels lost Howie Kendrick to a hyperextended knee, they lost yet another game to the Texas Rangers.

At least it didn't happen on yet another late homer, which would have made an ugly day even more painful.

Adrian Beltre homered, Martin Perez pitched into the seventh inning, and the Rangers beat the Angels 5-2 Monday night after losing All-Star outfielder Nelson Cruz to a 50-game suspension.

Jurickson Profar had a run-scoring hit for the Rangers, who have won eight of 10 over Los Angeles this season, including three straight last week in Arlington on game-ending homers.

The Rangers got a few key bits of luck in this series opener well before the final innings: Elvis Andrus got credit for a two-run triple in the fifth when Kendrick awkwardly bent his left leg while failing to catch Andrus' pop up to the outfield.

Kendrick, one of the Angels' best hitters this season, was trying to avoid sliding outfielder Colin Cowgill. The Angels don't know how long he might be out.

Perez (4-3) limited the Angels to four hits and two runs, striking out a career-best seven in his first victory in five starts. Mark Trumbo and Cowgill drove in runs for the Angels, who managed just five hits.

"We had (Perez) on the ropes," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "I mean, we squared some

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### A&M quarterback Manziel's future uncertain after more offseason issues

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Johnny Football is practicing with Texas A&M. Whether he starts the season opener is another question.

Coach Kevin Sumlin on Monday said he would not speculate when asked if Johnny Manziel will be his starter on Aug. 31 against Rice following an ESPN report that the NCAA is investigating whether the Heisman Trophy winner was paid for signing hundreds of autographs last January.

"There's a lot of people involved in that decision," Sumlin said without being specific.

If Manziel was paid for his autograph on memorabilia, it could potentially violate NCAA amateurism rules and put his eligibility in question a year after his jaw-dropping performance on the field made him the first freshman to win the Heisman as college football's top player.

Speaking to the media as the team began pre-season practices, Sumlin said he learned of the ESPN report Sunday.

For now, Manziel will lead the Aggies. But his coach is clearly thinking of backups, too.

"He'll get as many reps as he was going to get yesterday," Sumlin said of Manziel, before adding: "We've got to develop a backup quarterback no matter what."



The report is just the latest in a string of off-the-field distractions caused by Manziel.

He's made headlines for tweeting that he "can't wait to leave College Station," despite having three years of eligibility remaining, he allegedly overslept at a football camp run by the Manning family and was supposedly kicked out of a University of Texas fraternity party in the past couple of months.

The 20-year-old sophomore calmly answered question after question at SEC media days last month, acknowledging his eventful offseason and indicating he needed to make better decisions because he's such a public figure.

"I don't feel like I've done anything that's catastrophic," Manziel said then. "Of course, I've made my mistakes. It's time to grow up."

Last week, Manziel tweeted: "I ain't perfect, I ain't insane but I AM worth it...if there's one thing I am worth it."

The antics have overshadowed what is expected to be a banner year for Texas A&M. The Aggies are coming off an 11-2 record in their first season in the SEC after moving from the Big 12, a year highlighted by Manziel leading Texas A&M to an upset win at

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The sky will be dark tonight as the new Leo moon puts emotional energies to sleep. These hibernating feelings will serve as fuel for our seedling projects, intentions and the dreams we'll be growing through the next lunar phase. It's a highly creative moment, though there won't be evidence of this for two weeks.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). The people who bring you joy and the people who bring you stress are one and the same now. The effort you put into making relationships good is a big part of what endears you to others.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Unexpected encounters have more of a charge to them than the expected ones. That's why it's worth it to come up with a few surprises, especially if you're meeting familiar people.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). If it seems like a relationship is changing and perhaps growing a bit more distant, that's because it is. It's for the better. You'll be closer in the end for having this momentary luxury of personal space.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). There may be a few instances in which you feel comfortable enough to let someone lead you through dangerous territory. Just be careful not to assume a false

sense of security in this situation.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You have a dynamic presence, and you'll shine in the right moment. But don't try to shine all of the time. It only attracts too much attention, and you won't know what to do with it all.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Defending your space is important, but if that's all you do, you'll have too narrow of a life. Letting people infringe on you a bit may be just the thing that's needed to break open a new adventure.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't have to talk to communicate. In fact, you cannot "not" communicate. The very way you animate your body is a message. Your awareness in this regard makes you most effective today.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You want to be assertive but not dominating. You'll walk a narrow line with this today. Stay aware of the feedback others give you, and you'll remain in good graces.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). As you express your honest feelings and needs, you may remember a time when you didn't feel at liberty to do so. You no longer have a reason to take the submissive role, and this is something to celebrate.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Today's luck centers on your emotional life. You'll experience improvements not only in how you are feeling, but also in how you are processing and acting on those feelings.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Those who aren't ready for change will dig in their heels. Maybe they secretly want to see how powerful you are. Will you take them for a ride even though they fight you the whole way?

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). If you swallow your opinions and don't stand up for yourself, eventually you'll spout off in the manner of Mount Vesuvius. So speaking up along the way is actually the kindest way to interact with others.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Aug. 6). Your birthday may be low-key, but it's magical nonetheless. Loved ones will shower you with positivity and support. Let nothing distract you from putting dreams into action over the next four weeks. Financial prospects are hot in October. November brings an easy win. Physical improvements amp up your attraction quotient in 2014. Virgo and Taurus people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 2, 18, 4 and 17.

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**On this date:**  
In 1813, during the Venezuelan War of Independence, forces led by Simon Bolivar recaptured Caracas.  
In 1825, Upper Peru became the autonomous republic of Bolivia.  
In 1862, the Confederate iron-clad CSS Arkansas was scuttled by its crew on the Mississippi River near Baton Rouge, La., to prevent capture by the Union.  
In 1926, Gertrude Ederle became the first woman to swim the English Channel, arriving in Kingsdown, England, from France in 14-hours.  
In 1930, New York State Supreme Court Justice Joseph Force Crater went missing after leaving a Manhattan restaurant; his disappearance remains a mystery.  
In 1942, Queen Wilhemina of the Netherlands became the first reigning queen to address a joint session of Congress, telling lawmakers that despite Nazi occupation, her people's motto remained, "No surrender."  
In 1961, Soviet cosmonaut Gherman Titov became the second man to orbit Earth as he flew aboard Vostok 2.  
In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act.  
In 1973, former Cuban dictator Fulgencio Batista, 72, died in exile in Spain. Entertainer Stevie Wonder was seriously injured in a car accident in North Carolina.  
In 1978, Pope Paul VI died at Castel Gandolfo at age 80.  
In 1988, an attempt by New York City police to enforce a curfew in Tompkins Square Park triggered a melee that left 52 people injured and led to the filing of more than 110 claims of police brutality.  
In 1993, Louis Freeh won Senate confirmation to be FBI director.

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### AGNES

YOUR GRANDMA IS SENDING YOU TO CAMP?

MY MOM WENT TO CAMP ONCE... THE JUDGE MADE HER GO FOR SOME REST AND REHABILITATION

## Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Puts on display
  - 6 Cut and paste
  - 10 Film excerpt
  - 14 West Point student
  - 15 Insignificant
  - 16 Speed contest
  - 17 Without assistance
  - 18 Move laboriously
  - 19 Ireland nickname
  - 20 Round pasta
  - 22 Matured
  - 23 MGM's lion
  - 24 Hottest seasons
  - 26 Shut angrily
  - 30 Sailor's assent
  - 32 Navigator's reference
  - 33 Car for hire
  - 34 Be a retailer of
  - 36 Large brass instruments
  - 40 Prayer ender
  - 41 Threesomes
  - 43 Office plant
  - 44 Herb in pesto
  - 46 "Cut that out!"
  - 47 Dog that out!
  - 48 \_\_\_-and-breakfast inn
  - 50 Ecology agcy.
  - 51 Open-handed hit
  - 52 Fixes, as a fridge
  - 56 In the know
  - 58 Designer Cassini
  - 59 Round fast-food side dish
  - 65 Walking speed
  - 66 Aspirin tablet
- DOWN**
- 1 "Shoo!"
  - 2 Angel's topper
  - 3 Aroma
  - 4 Left the premises
  - 5 Sword material
  - 6 Paycheck issuers
  - 7 Sandwich shop
  - 8 Removes wrinkles from clothes
  - 9 Boredom
  - 10 Round desserts
  - 11 T-shirt size
  - 12 More frosty
  - 13 Remains unsettled
  - 21 Lowest possible
  - 25 It may say "WELCOME"
  - 26 Wild guess
  - 27 The Dalai \_\_\_
  - 28 Chops down
  - 29 Round brunch selections
  - 31 Privileged group
  - 35 Escape clauses
  - 37 Boxing match sound
  - 38 Neighborhood
  - 39 Break sharply
  - 42 Barcelona's land
  - 45 Hawaiian neckwear
  - 49 Visit unexpectedly
  - 52 Lassoed
  - 53 Make happy
  - 54 Southern pie nut
  - 55 Scoreful
  - 57 High-school dances
  - 60 Woes
  - 61 Skeptical comment
  - 62 US alliance
  - 63 Federal agent, for short
  - 64 Manager's special

### HI AND LOIS

I'M NOT FEELING SO GOOD TODAY. I'M GOING TO CALL THE OFFICE AND TELL THEM I'M NOT COMING IN.

CHICKEN SOUP AND SUNBLOK.

### THE OTHER COAST

EPITAPH FOR AN ARTIST:

FINALLY, MY PAINTINGS ARE WORTH SOMETHING NOW

### SNUFFY SMITH

I CAN ALWAYS TELL WHEN PAW'S BEEN SPYIN' ON BARLOW--HE WASHES TH' WINDER !!

WELL, TH' PART HE USES...!!!

### BEEBLE BAILEY

I WILL THINK THE MEN WILL LOVE THIS RECIPE! IT HAS A REAL KICK TO IT!

MAYBE TOO MUCH KICK!

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# MANZIEL

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No. 1 Alabama. But instead of answering questions about his expectations for the season, Sumlin was left to respond to question after question about Manziel.

"I've been through different things," Sumlin said. "As a coach when those things happen, it's not what happens to you, it's how you deal with it. We've got a veteran staff that knows how to deal with different situations."

Manziel's teammates seem unfazed by his recent trouble and said that nothing has changed in the way they view their quarterback.

"He still has all leadership qualities he displayed last year, he's being more vocal now, he's taking on more of the leadership responsibilities," running back

Ben Malena said. "The off the field issues doesn't bother us not one bit when it comes to a team aspect."

Manziel and the rest of the Aggies had their first practice late Monday afternoon. If the problems were weighing on Manziel, it was hard to tell by watching him on the field.

He laughed and talked with teammates before they lined up to stretch.

The Aggies practice to music and when the first song of the day, the track "Versace" by Migos featuring Manziel's buddy rapper Drake came on, the quarterback looked carefree as he bobbed his head and bounced to the catchy tune.

The media were only allowed to watch the first 20 minutes of practice and there were no full team drills during that time.

Manziel threw a few passes while the quarterbacks and re-

ceivers worked alone on a section of the field surrounded by dozens of reporters.

While Sumlin is working through the Manziel situation, he noted that a much more difficult task was talking to his team about the recent death of defensive lineman Polo Manukainiu, who was killed in a New Mexico car crash along with two others.

"It was not an easy topic," Sumlin said. "It's one of the hardest things a coach has to deal with. In a way getting back together as a group and getting back in the routine, going out on the field today, somehow that might help. Because these guys share the same kind of emotions for a guy that they cared very deeply about."

He also said starting defensive tackle Kirby Ennis, who was arrested in February on a weapons charge, will be suspended for the Rice game.

# RANGERS

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balls up with guys in scoring position and didn't have much to show for it."

Los Angeles loaded the bases in the seventh and eighth innings, but the Texas bullpen escaped the jams both times on well-hit flyouts to right field.

Joe Nathan then pitched the ninth for his 33rd save.

Jerome Williams (5-8) yielded six hits and five runs while pitching into the sixth inning of his ninth straight winless start for the Angels.

Cruz might have been missed more in the field than at the plate in his first game out. David Murphy, usually a left fielder, took over in right field and misplayed two balls, although neither mistake seemed to be caused by the peculiarities of switching sides.

Texas still got off to a solid start in its life without Cruz, the Rangers' leader with 27 homers and 76 RBIs — including his homer in Sunday's victory in Oakland.

"It's disappointing," said second baseman Ian Kinsler. "But at the same time, we all love Nelson, and we're going to support him through this."

# SUSPENSION

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"Assuming that there's no other in-

formation that we're not yet aware of and if his teammates welcome him back, and Nellie handles this well, which I expect he probably will, then we're open to it," Daniels said.

Manager Ron Washington said Cruz would "unequivocally" be accepted back for the play-offs by his teammates.

"That's the love we've got in that clubhouse," said Washington, who described the day as emotional. "That don't mean that they've accepted it, but I wouldn't expect anything else."

Cruz is batting .269 with a team-high 27 home runs and 76 RBIs in 108 games this season. He homered three

times in his last seven games, when the Rangers went 6-1 to cut their deficit behind AL West-leading Oakland from six games to 2½ games.

"It goes without saying we're not going to replace Nelson's production with any one player, whether that's internally or via a trade," Daniels said on a conference call. "We're going to be creative"

Daniels also reiterated a statement issued earlier by the team expressing its disappointment in Cruz for violating MLB's drug policy and its full support of "efforts to eliminate performance-enhancing substances from our game."

The non-waiver trade deadline passed last week without the Rangers being able to add a right-handed hitter to potentially help fill his absence.

The Rangers recalled outfielder Engel Beltre from Triple-A Round Rock and selected the contract of outfielder Joey Butler from the same team. They also designated infielder Adam Rosales for

assignment, three days after adding him on a waiver claim from Oakland.

David Murphy took Cruz's regular spot in right field Monday night in the series opener against the Los Angeles Angels. Washington is considering a four-person platoon to fill the outfield — with Beltre and Murphy in against right-handed pitchers, while Gentry and Butler, who is looking to make his major league debut, would play against lefties.

Cruz had never been linked to performance-ending drugs before he was among the players targeted by MLB in a scandal that started last January with a Miami New Times story about Biogenesis.

After his name showed up in that report, attorneys for Cruz issued a statement denying the allegations. When Cruz arrived at spring training in February he said it was "shocking" and "depressing" to have his name connected with Biogenesis.

In his statement Monday, Cruz expressed thanks "for the unwavering support of my family, friends, and teammates during this difficult time. I look forward to regaining the trust and respect of the Rangers organization, my teammates, and the great Rangers' fans, and I am grateful for the opportunity to rejoin the team for the playoffs."

Cruz has replaced agents Sam and Seth Levinson with Adam Katz, the representative Daniels said contacted him Sunday night with the player's decision to accept the penalty.

The Rangers got Cruz in a six-player deal with Carlos Lee from Milwaukee in July 2006. Cruz's first full major league season was 2009, when he was an All-Star and hit a career-high 33 homers.

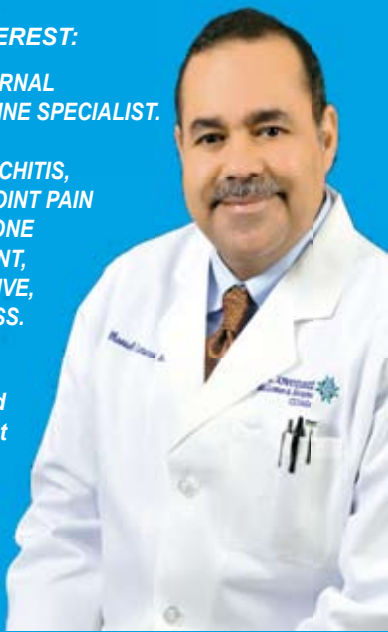
"It's sad. You obviously didn't expect anything like that to happen, but nobody is perfect," said Derek Holland, the team's union rep. "Everybody makes a mistake, and once he gets back, we'll be waiting for him. We've just got to take care of what we've got to do now, and that's go get the West."

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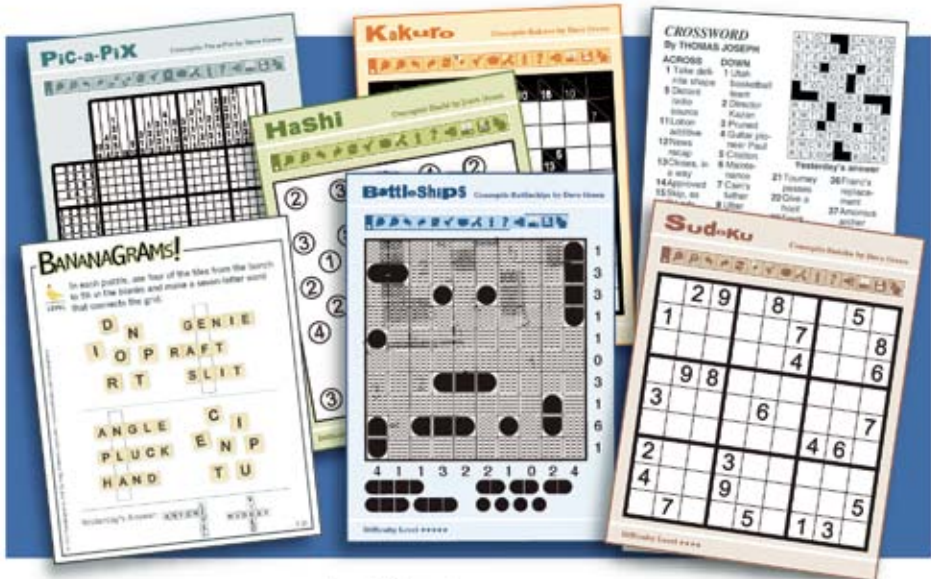
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