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## Up, up and away

*With rain's passing, hang gliders taking to the air at national meet*

By **JULIE BASS**  
Staff Writer

Two days of rain were wonderful for lawns and lakes, but not so good for hang gliders. Competition at the U.S. Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association's 2015 national meet in Big Spring slowed to a virtual crawl because of some out-of-season weather.

Rain storms moved in Sunday, causing the pilots to call off the competition just a little over an hour after starting, said Belinda Boulter, spokeswoman for the hang gliding competition.

"Most of the pilots have radios so the drivers following them can keep in touch. It took a little while, but eventually we worried that the gust front was going to be too much" said Boulter. "We got in touch with them around 4:10 p.m. to let them know we were calling it."

So, despite nice weather in the morning and early afternoon Sunday, storms moving it made the first day less than ideal for pilots. More rain Monday morning was not making the day look too promising, either.

"(Monday), we pushed back our times again, but this is not the Big Spring weather we know and love," said Boulter.

Despite the light rain, there weren't too many clouds and



HERALD photos/Julie Bass

In the top photo, Ren Dhesi of Odessa prepares for her tandem hang gliding flight with instructor Jonny Thompson. At right, Dhesi's friend, Simi Jacob, goes airborne along with Thompson.

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## Texas AG indicted on security fraud charges

By **PAUL J. WEBER**  
Associated Press

MCKINNEY, Texas — Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton had an investment opportunity: a tech startup making data servers. He told people he had put his own money into Servery Inc., according to prosecutors, and helped persuade a state lawmaker and another wealthy businessman to buy more than \$100,000 in shares.

All the while, Paxton was actually being compensated by Servery, according to an indictment unsealed Monday, the same day the state's top law enforcement officer turned himself in to jail on securities fraud charges. The alleged deception took

place before Paxton took office in January. If convicted, the rising Republican star could face five to 99 years in prison.

It was a low moment for a tea-party favorite who is barely seven months on the job, and whom GOP presidential candidate Ted Cruz candidate called a "tireless conservative warrior" when Paxton ran for office last year.

Attorneys for Paxton, 52, said he will plead not guilty to two counts of first-degree securities fraud and a lesser charge of failing to register with state securities regulators.

"He is looking forward to the opportunity to tell his side of the

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

A new business, Hibachi Express, held its grand opening Monday. The Japanese food restaurant is located in the mini-mall adjacent to Wal Mart Supercenter.

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## Obituaries

### Kenneth Wayne Barfield

Kenneth Wayne Barfield, 64, of Big Spring died Sunday, Aug. 2, 2015, at his residence. Graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park with Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating.

He was born Nov. 24, 1950, in Dumas, Texas to Zaola and Paul Barfield. He moved to Big Spring in 1953 from Dumas. He married Linda Shuffield on July 28, 1972, in Lovington, N.M. He was warehouse manager for Saunders Company, later Morrison's for 43 years, retiring on Jan. 7, 2015, due to ill health. He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

His favorite hobbies were fishing, hunting, and

the rodeo. His favorite teams were the Texas Rangers, and Dallas Cowboys.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Barfield of Big Spring; two daughters, Carrie Blythe and her husband Greg of Glen Rose, and Lindsey Richters and her husband Rickey of Big Spring; five grandchildren, Jared Blythe and his wife Ashley, Kelsey Allen, Kacey Allen, Kristin Allen and Braxton Richters; one great grandchild, Easton Mitchell; and two sisters, Janis Neighbors and Viola Salvato.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Pallbearers will be Larry Alexander, Rickey Richters, Greg Blythe, Jared Blythe, Johnny Flores, and Perry Gamble.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

*Paid obituary*

### John S. Medlin

John S. Medlin, 56, of Big Spring died Sunday, Aug. 2, 2015, at his residence. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

He was born Feb. 12, 1959, in Big Spring, Texas to Rose Hayworth Medlin and Albert "Tubby" Medlin. He graduated from Forsan High School. He graduated from Howard College with a nursing degree and from U.T.P.B. with a Bachelor's Degree in history. He was a registered

nurse at Big Spring State Hospital.

He married Andreia Munoz on July 4, 1989 in Big Spring. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Andreia Medlin of Big Spring; one son, John W. Medlin of Big Spring; two brothers, Phillip Medlin and his wife, Susan, of Frisco and Marlin Medlin and his wife, Cathy, of Tennessee; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Linda and Esmael Munoz of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Nancy Ellen Medlin; and one brother, Albert Wade Medlin.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

### Betty C. Stevenson

Betty C. Stevenson, 86, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015 at her residence. Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 6, 2015, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Randy Cotton officiating.

Betty was born April 20, 1929, in Baird, Texas.

She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

She is survived by her daughter, Ronda Kilgore and husband, Hobert Stevens of Big Spring; four sisters, Ruth Quintanilla of Seattle, Wash., Thelma Davis and Billie LeMaster, both of Azle, and Sue Clark of Coppell; and several nieces and nephews.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Lloyd and Georgia Beatrice (Reese); two granddaughters, Lisa Andrews and Wendy Stevens; one sister, Peggy Smith; two nephews; and one niece.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

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

### Robert S Guzman Jr.

Robert Szabo "Pino" Guzman Jr., 20, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Aug. 2, 2015. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

### Lura Perry

Lura Perry, 94, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2015, at a local hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

## Police/Sheriff

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

• DAVID S. LABORE, 54, of 804 Alarid St., Santa Fe, N.M., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• JOSE ERMINIO RAMIREZ JR., 27, of 12905 Gail Highway was arrested on warrants for accumulated items/weeds/rubbish and for another agency.

• COREY PRESTON HOFF-PAUR, 38, of 1100 Sycamore St was arrested on warrants from other agencies.

• DARRICK DEWAYNE MOSELY, 47, of 904 S. Aylesford was arrested on a charge of public intoxication and on a warrant from another agency.

• JEFFREY PAUL CARTER, 52, transient, was arrested on a charge of jaywalking (crossed roadway intersection diagonally).

• ROBERT DELGADO, 33, of 300 N. JACKSON, Odessa was arrested on a warrant from another

agency.

• BURGLARY IN PROGRESS was reported in the 1400 block of South Scurry St.

• BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the in the 700 block of S. Johnson St., the 100 block of Jonesboro Road, and in the 1500 block of S. Scurry St.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 1900 block of S. Scurry St.

• THEFT was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80, 1600 block of S. Gregg St., the 200 block of W FM 700, and the 1600 block of E. 17th St.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 700 block of E. Interstate 20 and in the 3300 block of E. FM 700.

• HARRASEMENT was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main St.

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Monday and today:

Note — Officials with the How-

ard County Jail reported having 76 inmates at the time of this report.

• DAVID SCOTT LABORE, 54, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• JOSE ERMINIO RAMIREZ JR., 27, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for accumulated items-first offense and possession of a dangerous drug.

• ROBERT LEE DELGADO, 33, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for parole violation.

• ARMANDO RAMERO JR., 21, was booked by GCSO on a warrant for theft of property, more than \$50 but less than \$500.

• COREY PRESTON HOFF-PAUR, 38, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for parent contributing to non-attendance (four counts.)

• DARRICK DEWAYNE MOSELY, 47, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication and parole warrant.

• JEFFREY PAUL CARTER, 57, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of jaywalking.

## Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

• RSD (Reflex Symptomatic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. un-

til 9 p.m.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

• Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to

talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls).

Open meeting at 7 p.m.

• A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

FRIDAY

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (next to Attitudes Hair Salon).






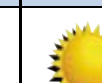
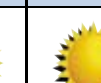
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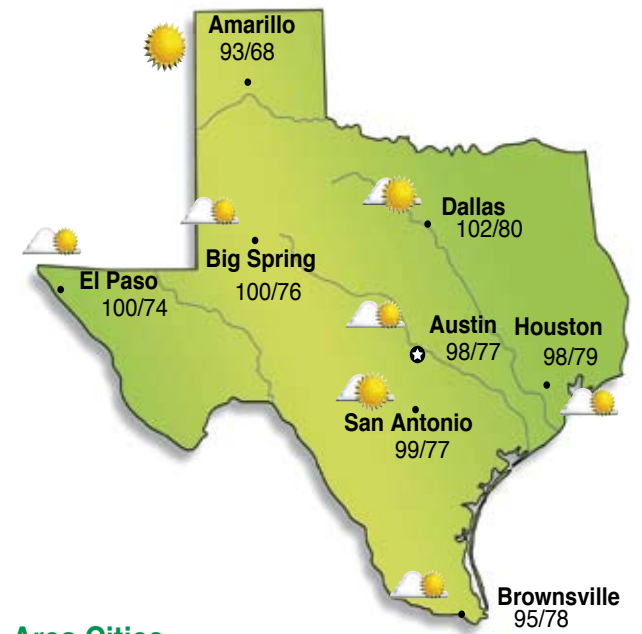
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## Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 8/5	Thu 8/6	Fri 8/7	Sat 8/8	Sun 8/9
				
<b>100/76</b>	<b>102/77</b>	<b>104/77</b>	<b>104/76</b>	<b>104/76</b>
Partly cloudy. A stray thunderstorm is possible. High around 100F.	Sunshine. Highs 100 to 104F and lows in the upper 70s.	Abundant sunshine. Highs 102 to 106F and lows in the upper 70s.	Abundant sunshine. Highs 102 to 106F and lows in the mid 70s.	Mainly sunny. Highs 102 to 106F and lows in the mid 70s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:02 AM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:03 AM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:04 AM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:04 AM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:05 AM
<b>Sunset:</b> 8:41 PM	<b>Sunset:</b> 8:40 PM	<b>Sunset:</b> 8:39 PM	<b>Sunset:</b> 8:38 PM	<b>Sunset:</b> 8:37 PM



## Texas At A Glance



### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	99	77	pt sunny	Kingsville	97	78	mst sunny
Amarillo	93	68	sunny	Livingston	97	76	pt sunny
Austin	98	77	pt sunny	Longview	99	76	pt sunny
Beaumont	94	75	t-storm	Lubbock	97	73	mst sunny
Brownsville	95	78	pt sunny	Lufkin	99	75	pt sunny
Brownwood	100	75	sunny	Midland	102	78	t-storm
Corpus Christi	94	81	pt sunny	Raymondville	99	78	pt sunny
Corsicana	100	78	mst sunny	Rosenberg	97	76	cloudy
Dallas	102	80	mst sunny	San Antonio	99	77	mst sunny
Del Rio	101	79	sunny	San Marcos	100	77	pt sunny
El Paso	100	74	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	99	78	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	100	75	pt sunny	Sweetwater	98	76	pt sunny
Gainesville	98	77	pt sunny	Tyler	100	78	pt sunny
Greenville	100	78	pt sunny	Weatherford	101	78	pt sunny
Houston	98	79	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	98	77	pt sunny

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	96	72	pt sunny	Minneapolis	81	60	sunny
Boston	89	67	t-storm	New York	89	72	pt sunny
Chicago	84	62	sunny	Phoenix	108	80	sunny
Dallas	102	80	mst sunny	San Francisco	70	59	pt sunny
Denver	91	59	sunny	Seattle	80	58	pt sunny
Houston	98	79	pt sunny	St. Louis	89	72	t-storm
Los Angeles	86	67	sunny	Washington, DC	94	72	mst sunny
Miami	90	79	pt sunny				

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Wed 8/5	Thu 8/6	Fri 8/7	Sat 8/8	Sun 8/9
<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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# Take note

• On or before Friday, Aug. 14, parents or guardians of Big Spring ISD students in grades 1-4 need to stop by the elementary campus they believe their students will be attending this year and bring proof of residency. This information is needed before the school's administration can place students on classroom rosters. Any recent monthly bill or bank statement with a street address will suffice to validate the residence of the student and parent or guardian.

Meet the Teacher night for all elementary campuses will be on Thursday, Aug. 20, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

• Big Spring ISD students entering kindergarten and 7th grade must provide a current shot record to the school district prior to Aug. 18. Shot records can be delivered to the Big Spring ISD Records and Registration office at 1109 South Benton. Without current shot records, the school district will not be able to enroll a kindergarten student or provide a schedule of classes to a 7th grade student. For parents who have no insurance or who are on Medicaid, the health department will provide an immunization clinic in the High School Library from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday. Questions about immunizations and shot records should be directed to Leah Gordon, Big Spring ISD Nurse, at 432-264-3622.

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

• A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids-Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300

children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. For more information call, Muffet Bomar 432-935-3998 or Peggy Hopper 214-773-6775. Find us on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids](http://www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids)

• An account has been set up at Western Bank (account number 1017623) for Blantyn Gusman and Zachary Duncan, who were seriously injured in an accident.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit [www.BecomeaCASA.org](http://www.BecomeaCASA.org) or [www.casawtx.org](http://www.casawtx.org).

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every second Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 271-2176.

• Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work. Volunteers set their own hours.

For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Kim Plew at 263-4016 or 213-7960.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too.

Be there at 9-11 a.m. and get two for one, plus a rehab meeting.

• The Howard College Music program is offering a season ticket allowing a person to gain entrance to all of its performances for the season including guest solo recitals, chamber concerts and all student recitals as well. The ticket is \$50 for the general public and \$40 for Howard College faculty. The 2015-2016 season is expected to feature from 15 to 20 concerts from up and coming professional musicians including concerts for trombone, brass quintet, flute, clarinet, two trumpets, cello, piano, tuba, solo and group voice recitals, saxophone quartet, a trio featuring cello, trumpet and piano. To reserve a ticket, call 432-264-5145, e-mailing Kiley at [dkiley@howardcollege.edu](mailto:dkiley@howardcollege.edu) or e-mailing Wills at [ewills@howardcollege.edu](mailto:ewills@howardcollege.edu).

• For information on Garrett Parrish's condition, or to post messages of support, visit his Facebook page (#GPSTRONG). Parrish was seriously injured in a sledding accident.

## GLIDE

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the wind was staying semi-settled so pilots and committee were anticipating being able to go ahead with Monday's competition.

"We will just have to track the weather up until the time

of the briefing and make the task for the day as safe as possible. We will try to have the task keep them out of bad weather and wind" said Boulter. "We encourage our pilots to quit if they feel unsafe. We are not up there with them and they need to be comfortable. They can fly in the rain, but we want them safe."

Although the briefing and launch times were moved back, optimism for a good day of flying was spreading.

The tandem rides were in full swing Monday morning. Simi Jacob, a nursing student in Odessa, came to Big Spring just for a tandem ride along with her friend and classmate, Ren Dhesi.

Before their rides, both

girls spoke about their fear of heights and being nervous about going up in the air. During their tandems, they could be heard laughing and visiting with their instructor, Jonny Thompson.

"It was amazing," said Jacob. "I would do it 10 more times if I could."

For information about the day's task, contact the McMa-

hon-Winkle airport terminal at 264-2362. For information about the competition, visit [airtribune.com/2015-big-spring-nationals](http://airtribune.com/2015-big-spring-nationals) or email Boulter at [Belinda@davisstraub.com](mailto:Belinda@davisstraub.com).

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## PAXTON

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story in the courtroom," said Dallas attorney Joe Kendall, adding that a judge instructed Paxton's lawyers not to comment further.

A frenzy of media outside the Collin County jail in Paxton's hometown was reminiscent of a year ago, when then-Texas Gov. Rick Perry was booked after being indicted on charges of abusing his power with a 2013 veto. But whereas Perry defiantly welcomed the cameras at jail, Paxton ducked reporters after his booking, driving away in a black SUV.

Nor did top Texas Republicans rush to Paxton's side with the same outrage as they did with Perry, whose case has

not yet gone to trial. Republican Gov. Greg Abbott, who last held the attorney general job, issued only a brief statement that urged the justice system to play out.

"I recognize this is the first step in a lengthy process and will respect that process as it moves forward," Abbott said.

The Collin County jail normally makes suspects wear a towel around their neck before taking their mug shot. Paxton was allowed to be photographed without one, allowing his suit and red tie to be part of his booking photo.

Just as Perry was allowed to finish his term after his indictment, Paxton can stay on the job while his criminal case proceeds. However, some are already calling for him to resign, including several Dem-

ocratic Party officials.

In the middle of a heated Republican primary last year, Paxton admitted to violating state securities law by not telling regulators that he got commissions for referring law clients to a financial planner. He paid a \$1,000 fine and chalked it up as an administrative oversight.

Texas Democratic Party Chairman Gilberto Hinojosa issued a statement Monday calling Paxton "an admitted lawbreaker" who "needs to spare Texas the embarrassment of a drawn out legal fight in the public eye, take responsibility, and accept the consequences."

Questions about Paxton's financial dealings shadowed him during his first seven months on the job. His aides have denied any wrong-

doing by Paxton and described the criminal investigation led by two special prosecutors as a political smear campaign.

According to prosecutors, Republican state Rep. Byron Cook was among those duped. While serving in the Legislature in 2011, Paxton told Cook that he personally invested in Servery and offered Cook a chance to buy more than \$100,000 of stock in the company, according to the indictment.

Unbeknownst to Cook, Paxton had been given more than 100,000 Servery shares, according to the indictment.

Cook's lawyer, Terry Jacobson, declined to comment Monday.

The Associated Press reported last month that Paxton listed himself as a shareholder in Servery and that his name was among search terms that Servery attorneys used to satisfy a federal subpoena. The company

is under investigation by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission over allegations of deceiving investors.

While top Republican leaders were cautious in their remarks about Paxton, the Texas GOP struck a defiant tone, calling the grand jury process "sloppy" and praising Paxton's performance in office.

Paxton joins other current or recent state attorneys general facing criminal charges.

In Pennsylvania, a grand jury in January recommended that state Attorney General Kathleen Kane face charges over allegations of en-

gaging in a cover-up and lying about her role in a grand jury leak to a newspaper. Kane, a Democrat who took office in 2013, has not been charged and has denied breaking any laws. Utah's previous two attorneys general were also arrested last summer on charges of running pay-to-play schemes during their combined 13 years in office.

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## BY BOB WEBER JR.

Shady Shrew is opening a self-defense school. Shady claims he spent several years in Tokyo studying traditional Japanese kung fu fighting styles. Slylock Fox says Shady is a kung fu fake! How did Slylock arrive at that conclusion?



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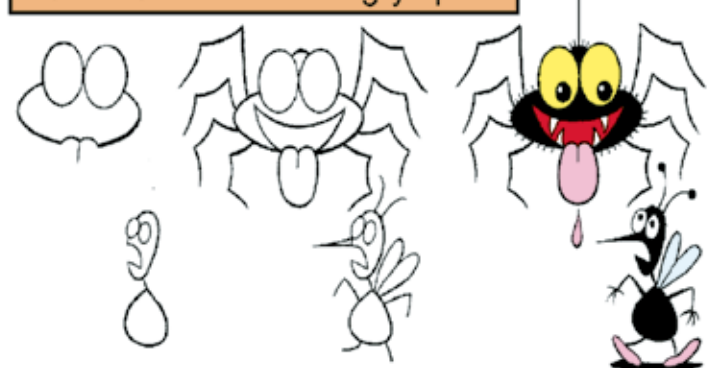


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- a) Black widow
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- d) Daddy longlegs

ANSWER -- b) Tarantulas can live up to 30 years.



Bird Poop:

# A temporary inconvenience

Even in the morning, the sun's glare and heat around the huge garage was an indication of the sweltering temperatures that would come on a July afternoon.

Approaching the building adjacent to the towering structure, the two men heard an almost indescribable noise. Coming from behind



BEBE McCASLAND

what could be called an office, and sounding almost like something splashing in water, the peculiar commotion had to be near the grated pits. Rushing to see what was going on, they were surprised to discover what was making that weird noise on the backside of the building.

Normally, each pit was covered with a grate. Unfortunately, someone had moved one of the grates and left it nearby.

In nearly five feet of water, and flapping a four-foot wingspan, was a large owl. By continuously beating its wings against the surface, it had managed to keep from drowning.

After getting the owl out of the water, the men placed it on a concrete slab. When it didn't fly off, they called Animal Control. Since the request for help had come from an area located near the Department of Public Safety building on the south service road of I-20, an officer easily found the site.

As she approached the raptor, the officer wondered if it could have flown into one of the many telephone poles in the area. With one eye dilated, and the other normal, the owl might possibly have a concussion.

Extending a gloved

hand caused the owl miraculously to step up on it. After making sure she had a grip on one leg, she used her other hand to protect herself while at the same time managing to lower it into a box. Upon arriving at our home, the officer discovered we were not at home. She left her card with a note on the back.

When she arrived again at our doorstep, she held a large box. From a corner of the box came droplets of water. Obviously, the owl was still not yet completely dry.

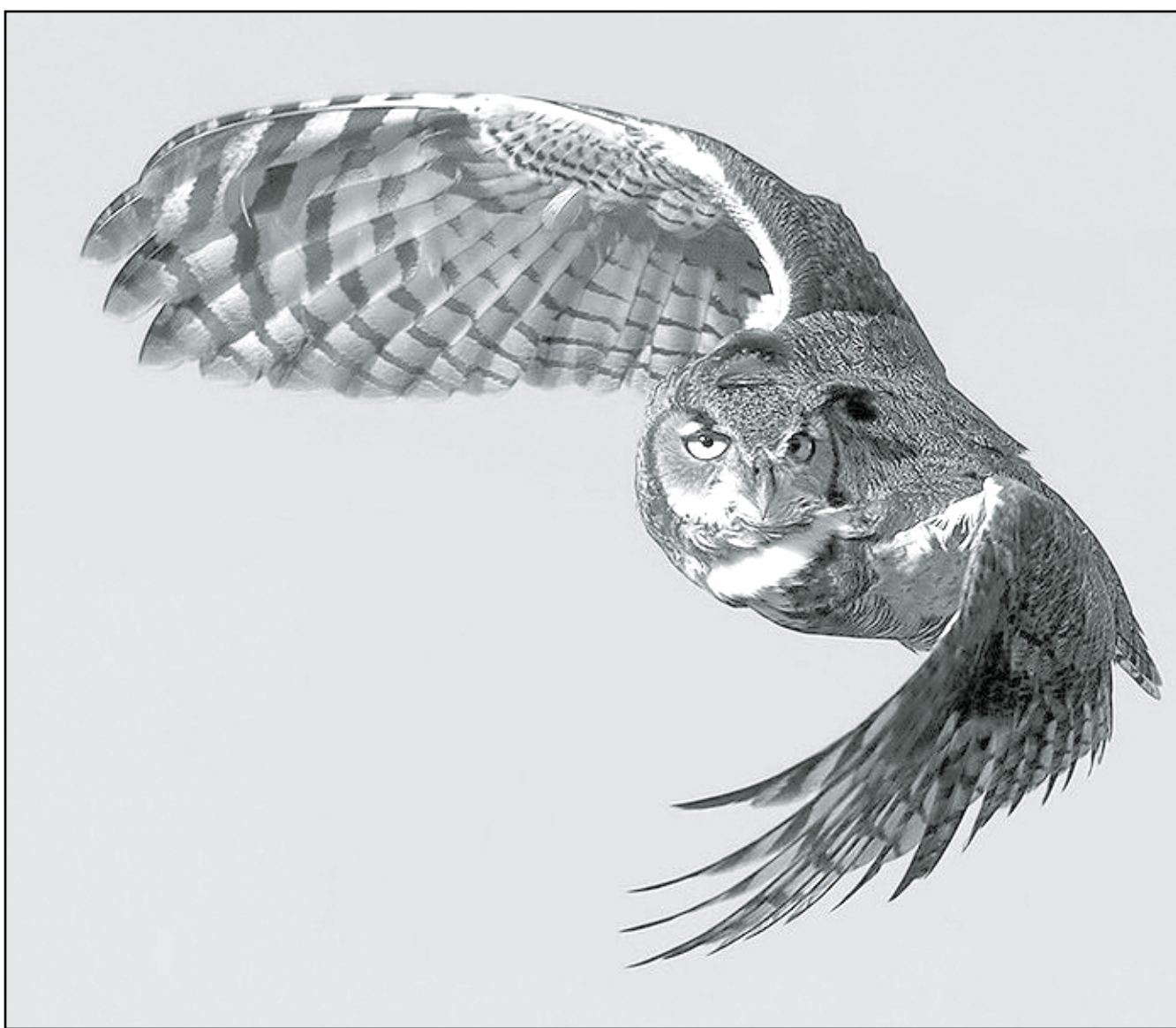
Examining the great horned owl before placing it in a large carrier, we noticed no external injuries. Its eyes were normal. Knowing it needed time to dry, preen, and rest from its ordeal, we gave it a large log for a roost. Late that night, mice were added to its container. The next morning, only two had been eaten.

That afternoon, the great horn displayed an eagerness to escape, fly, and be released. This momentary delay in its itinerary was unacceptable.

Late in the day, as I removed the owl from our large container, it demonstrated not only flapping wings, but a profound strength in its legs and feet. It had the coloration of great horns often found in the southwestern parts of Texas. Pale in comparison to those found further east and north, the raptor was a bundle of energy.

More grayish, it had the typical barred chest and belly, partial ear tufts, facial discs rimmed with black, white throat, yellow eyes, and large black bill. The mottled appearance of its wings resembled old tree bark.

After placing it in a smaller carrier that would keep it from injuring itself while traveling, we drove south to a ranch team-



ing with wildlife. Soon, we arrived at a familiar launching area.

From the moment it cleared the limits of its container, it was in a rapid, ascending flight. Disregarding an old, dead mesquite, it continued to gain elevation and put a considerable distance between us and its desire to be free.

When I called officer Darien Murley to relate the owl's success, she shared the fact that the two men were usually not at that building at that time of day. In fact, they had not planned to be there at all. Whatever the circumstances had been, the men's presence on that particular morning had saved a very lucky owl.

In trying to explain why the owl had been at the containment area, I mentioned this specie will often prey upon birds that have come to drink. They are "easy picking." It could be that in its effort to snag a bird it missed and landed in the water.

It had not flown away after being rescued because it was too wet to fly and needed to preen. It was also exhausted from its exertion just to stay alive. Its brief captivity

had provided the necessary time for recovery.

As for one dilated eye, one contracted, I shared with her my recent finding in a new book, "The House of Owls," by Tony Angell.

"To adjust to light lev-

els, owls can contract or dilate their pupils well beyond what the human eye can do."

Because of the two men, the Animal Control officer and a short respite, the great horned owl had been

enabled to regain its strength, tenacity and temperament. Open skies welcomed its strong, silent wings.

Bebe McCasland is author of *The Scoop from Bird Poop*. She

### 2015 Property Tax Rates in Howard County Junior College District

This notice concerns the 2015 property tax rates for Howard County Junior College District. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

#### Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$5,525,062
Last year's debt taxes	\$1,641,195
Last year's total taxes	\$7,166,257
Last year's tax base	\$4,057,443,664
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.176620/\$100

#### This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$7,153,922
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$3,274,521,003
= This year's effective tax rate	\$0.218472/\$100

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

#### This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	\$5,515,840
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$3,274,521,003
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.168447/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.181922/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$0.049707/\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$0.231629/\$100

#### Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Howard County Junior College District adopts a 2015 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.218472 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2014 taxes by \$17,653.

#### Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Fund	\$0

#### Schedule B - 2015 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Interest To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Other Amounts To Be Paid	Total Payment
General Obligation Bond Series 2007	\$900,000	\$734,106	\$400	\$1,634,506
Total required for 2015 debt service				\$1,634,506
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2015				\$1,634,506
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2015				\$0
= Total Debt Levy				\$1,634,506

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 315 S. Main Street (County Annex Bldg.) Big Spring, Tx.

Name of person preparing this notice: Diane Carter

Title: Tax Assessor Collector

Date Prepared: 07/30/2015

## Hitchhiking robot meets demise

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A hitchhiking robot that captured the hearts of fans worldwide met its demise in the U.S.

The Canadian researchers who created hitchBOT as a social experiment told The Associated Press that someone in Philadel-

phia damaged the robot beyond repair early Saturday, ending its first American tour after about two weeks.

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# Astros go through 2 starters in 12-9 loss at Rangers

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Houston Astros were planning to send 21-year-old Lance McCullers back to the minors even before he got only one out in his latest start.

Then they had to go through a second starting pitcher in the series opener at the Texas Rangers.

After the youngest starter in the majors had his worst outing so far, newly acquired Mike Fiers was roughed up in his premature AL debut — giving up six runs over five innings and the last two hits of Adrian Beltre's third career cycle — as Houston lost the series opener 12-9 on Monday night.

Fiers, acquired from Milwaukee in a trade on Thursday, was Tuesday's scheduled starter. But the right-hander was forced into action Monday with the Astros short in the bullpen, and he gave up five runs in his first inning.

"I need to be better than that," Fiers said. "If I was, we

probably could have won this game."

McCullers (5-4) allowed six runs and seven hits with a walk against nine batters. That came five days after he gave up only one run over seven innings to beat the Los Angeles Angels.

"It's kind of frustrating," he said. "I had two strikes on two different batters and they both fouled off curveballs that hit the dirt before they hit their bat."

The Astros optioned McCullers back to the minors after the game.

"Probably a short stay in the minor leagues. We've been talking about his innings, his rest, how to monitor him," manager A.J. Hinch said. "Unfortunately, it came on the heels of a rough start, but that was likely no matter what."

Josh Fields then threw 1 2-3 scoreless innings before Fiers took over and promptly struck out Shin-Soo Choo to start the third. But the next

seven batters reached base — on six hits and a walk — in a five-run inning that put the Rangers ahead 11-3.

That included Beltre's single before he came up in the fifth and homered to complete his third career cycle, becoming the first player since the 1930s to accomplish that.

"Not going to lie, I was looking for a home run," said Beltre, who lined a fastball into the seats in left field.

Jason Castro hit a grand slam for Houston, his third homer in 14 at-bats. Rookie Carlos Correa had a two-run shot to put the Astros ahead in the first, and Luis Valbuena's solo homer in the second was his 20th of the season, but first in 83 at-bats since June 23.

A two-run triple by Beltre in the first inning put the Rangers ahead to stay at 3-2. He had a double in the second on another ball hit into the left-center gap.

The last major leaguer with three career cycles was Babe

Herman, who had two in 1931 and one in 1933, according to research provided by the Elias Sports Bureau to the Rangers. The only other big leaguers with three career cycles are Bob Meusel (1921, 1922 and 1928) and John Reilly (twice in 1883 and 1890).

Colby Lewis (12-4) had to work hard over six innings for his fourth consecutive victory, giving up seven runs and 10 hits — three of those home runs. The right-hander is 8-1 in 14 career games against Astros.

Shawn Tolleson worked the ninth for his 19th save in 20 chances.

### VERY CYCLICAL

All three of Beltre's cycles have come at the Rangers' ballpark, two for the home team and one as a visitor when he was playing for Seattle on Sept. 1, 2008. He's the first player to have more than one in the Rangers' 55-season franchise history. ... It was the ninth cycle in Rangers' history, their sixth since the

beginning of the 2009 season, twice as many as any other team in the majors in that span.

### TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: OF George Springer is traveling with the team and doing workouts that don't involve the right wrist he fractured July 1. Hinch said Springer won't get his wrist examined again until the Astros return home.

Rangers: C Carlos Corporan (left thumb sprain) is making progress in his minor league rehab, but manager Jeff Banister said Corporan needs to catch nine innings and play consecutive days.

### UP NEXT

Astros: Dan Straily is getting called up from Triple-A Fresno to start Tuesday in place of Fiers, who ended up throwing five innings in relief Monday night.

Rangers: Yovani Gallardo (7-9, 3.39) was 0-3 with a 5.46 ERA in his last six starts, allowing five runs in each of his last three starts.

## Cowboys' Mincey back at practice after ending brief holdout

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Dallas Cowboys defensive end Jeremy Mincey didn't stay away from training camp long in his effort to get a reworked contract.

The team's sack leader last season ended a brief holdout and worked on the side Sunday at practice after missing the first three days of camp, including the first padded practice. Mincey showed up Saturday night.

The 31-year-old Mincey reached an agreement that boosts his contract this year to \$2 million, a \$500,000 increase that essentially replaces a playing-time bonus he barely missed out on last season.

While Mincey also wanted to add years to his deal, that's unlikely to happen until after the season. He could have been fined \$30,000 for each day he missed, but the Cowboys agreed to waive it.

"Everything worked out," said Mincey, who only ran a few sprints but said he planned to be in pads Tuesday when the Cowboys return to practice. "I don't want much out of life. I don't ask much out of life. All I ask is for my respect as a man, enough to take care of my family. That's all it was."

Mincey, who had six sacks in the regular season and two more in the playoffs, brought stability and leadership to an improving Dallas defense. The Cowboys made room on the 90-man camp roster by

waiving linebacker Justin Jackson a day after he tore a knee ligament. Mincey was activated from the reserve/did not report list.

"It's good to have him here," coach Jason Garrett said. "We'll ease him in to practice. But we're excited to have him here at training camp."

Mincey came to Dallas after spending the last few weeks of the 2013 season and playing in the Super Bowl with Denver. But he ended up with the Broncos only after Jacksonville decided to get rid of Mincey in the middle of a four-year, \$20 million contract. He was forced to miss a game at Houston in 2013 after being late for a team meeting.

"Sometimes you have to do what you have to do to get the results," Mincey said. "I was willing to take the backlash and ridicule. I was willing to take it all for my family. I'm glad it all worked out."

Mincey's career started in 2006 on the practice squad in San Francisco, and he spent a year away from football early in his career with the Jaguars. But two years later, in 2011, he had his best season as a pro, earning his big contract with career highs in tackles (101) and sacks (eight).

Last season, Mincey had 28 tackles and also led

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**Big Spring Youth Soccer Association will hold sign-ups on Saturdays, Aug. 1, 8 and 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Spring Town Plaza. Also Aug. 10 - 14 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Ages 3 - 15. Cost is \$70 a child. For more information contact Bryan Kligora at 816-2582.**



**The Titans 9U baseball team won gold in a tournament by taking three games last Sunday in Andrews, Texas. Coaches are from left to right: Jacob Martinez, Robert Galan, Paul Diaz and Jason Martinez. Players top row from left to right: Samuel Wood, Isaiah Diaz, Eric Aguilar, Ian Galan and Ryan Shifflett**

## Scoreboard

BASEBALL				Baseball League				Baseball League				Baseball League				Baseball League			
East Division				West Division				Central Division				Southwest Division				Northwest Division			
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	59	45	.567	—	Kansas City	62	42	.596	—	Los Angeles	56	49	.533	3	Seattle	49	58	.458	11
Baltimore	54	51	.514	5½	Minnesota	54	51	.514	8½	Texas	52	53	.495	7	Oakland	47	60	.439	13
Toronto	55	52	.514	5½	Detroit	51	54	.486	11½	Chicago	50	54	.481	12	—	—	—	—	—
Tampa Bay	53	54	.495	7½	Chicago	50	54	.481	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Boston	47	59	.443	13	Cleveland	48	57	.457	14½	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Central Division</b>				<b>West Division</b>				<b>Southwest Division</b>				<b>Northwest Division</b>							
Kansas City	62	42	.596	—	Houston	60	47	.561	—	Toronto	5	11	.303	11	Seattle	4	11	.261	11
Minnesota	54	51	.514	8½	Los Angeles	56	49	.533	3	Texas	2	10	.167	11	Texas	2	10	.167	11
Detroit	51	54	.486	11½	Texas	52	53	.495	7	Oakland	2	10	.167	11	Cleveland	1	10	.091	11
Chicago	50	54	.481	12	Seattle	49	58	.458	11	L.A. Dodgers	5	10	.333	10	L.A. Dodgers	5	10	.333	10
Cleveland	48	57	.457	14½	Oakland	47	60	.439	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>Monday's Games</b>				<b>Tuesday's Games</b>				<b>Wednesday's Games</b>				<b>Thursday's Games</b>							
Toronto 5, Kansas City 2	Detroit 6, Baltimore 1	Tampa Bay 4, Boston 3	Houston 4, Arizona 1	N.Y. Yankees 12, Chicago White Sox 3	Seattle 4, Minnesota 1, 11 innings	Texas 2, San Francisco 1	Oakland 2, Cleveland 1, 10 innings	L.A. Dodgers 5, L.A. Angels 3, 10 innings	St. Louis 6, Pittsburgh 4	San Francisco 12, Houston 9	Philadelphia 4, Tampa Bay 3	San Francisco 12, Houston 9	Philadelphia 4, Tampa Bay 3	San Francisco 12, Houston 9	Philadelphia 4, Tampa Bay 3	San Francisco 12, Houston 9	Philadelphia 4, Tampa Bay 3	San Francisco 12, Houston 9	Philadelphia 4, Tampa Bay 3



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**Help Wanted**  
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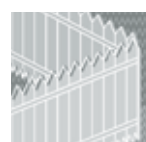
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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You occasionally make mistakes, and that just proves that you're learning. The best people miss the point from time to time, and saying something less than witty is a phenomenon that happens to even the funniest people.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You are not your body. You're a spirit inhabiting a body. Don't take opinions (yours or other people's) personally. The body and mind improvements you make will help keep your spirits high.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). It's a high-stakes game, but you're favored for the win. If, by some fluke, you don't get the win, that's only because not winning is actual-

ly winning. The best gifts sometimes come in weird packaging.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Aim high, live your fantasies, let down your defenses, give in to optimism and resist printed words telling you what to do, including these. Advice is only as good as it is applicable to the current situation, which only you understand fully.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Miraculous. Someone understands you, intuitively your desires and fulfills them without you ever having to ask a thing. Praise and deep gratefulness are in order.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Though your talent in and of itself may not be uncommon, what is uncommon is your choice to work on it over all else. Stick with it. You're close to greatness.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The cosmic signals seldom follow proper etiquette. They don't greet you by name. They barely make themselves known at all. But however subtle a sign may be, when you see it, you'll know it's for you.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's a day for making choices that lead to a well-rounded experience. Avoid overemphasizing one particular relationship. Tend to several

people and interests.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You can see when someone needs help even before that person realizes the need. Your kind consideration may go unrecognized at first, but good karma will catch up to you before your head hits the pillow tonight.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). People need what you have to offer; they just don't know it yet. That's why it's up to you to communicate clearly and effectively. Persuasion isn't necessary. All that's needed is honesty.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). How do you know the difference between a passing fancy and a passion that will be a permanent fixture in your life? Time will tell. If you don't have time, consider that passing fancies usually come with a fever.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). The reason you see more than other people do is because, on some level, you are willing to know more. Once you know, you can't un-know. That's why awareness takes courage.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Aug. 4). This is your year for making good on past promises and cashing in on what was promised to you. Organized,

expertly executed actions get you attention and love in the six weeks to come. You'll earn an award in September for a game well played. October brings a formidable adversary. Libra and Cancer people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 33, 28, 41, 16 and 39.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "I'm a Gemini, born June 8, 1968, and I finally feel like I am in the relationship I have always wanted. He is respectful, kind and sensual and has all the qualities I've looked for in a man -- he's a Sagittarius, born Dec. 20, 1964. In all of his actions, he acts like I am the one for him, but he says he's "not quite there yet." Why do I feel that hearing him tell me he loves me is that important, when it's obvious in his actions? I feel that words won't change a thing."

As a Gemini, you need verbal reassurances of love. While it's true that actions do speak louder than words, words rule your heart. There's nothing wrong with needing to be spoken to lovingly. Sweet utterances make you feel cherished. For a Sagittarius, love is in the doing. He might be thinking, "I'm here right now. Isn't that proof enough?" and that's his truth. If

you ask him to say "I love you" before he's ready, he'll feel pressured. Don't you want the scene to play out more organically? You already have his heart. Trust that the words will follow.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Happy birthday to President Barack Obama, a Leo with natal Mercury and Uranus also in the sign of the charismatic cat. The fiery Leo energy in Obama's chart is balanced by a grounded Taurus moon and Mars in hardworking, humble Virgo. Virgo energy is all about efficiency and service. Other Leo presidents include: Benjamin Harrison, Herbert Hoover and Bill Clinton.

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## Annie's Mailbox

**Dear Annie:** My wife and I have been married for seven years. She has a son from a previous marriage who got into drugs as a teen. Four years ago, my wife put her son in rehab, but he had a relapse and briefly ended up in prison. The effect it had on my wife was devastating and she began to drink. My dislike for her son increased exponentially.

Last year, my wife put her son in rehab again, this time in another state. He finished the program, but while there, met another addict in a halfway house for sober living and she got pregnant. They married two weeks ago, and my wife returned from the wedding exuberant and giddy. She demanded that we allow the couple to live with us so she could give her son a second chance. I told her "no." In response, she removed her wedding ring.

My wife now plans to move out of state to live with the couple

and take them out of the halfway house so she can care for the baby and rekindle her relationship with her son. I have spoken to numerous addiction experts and they all agree that the couple should remain where they are. My wife is defiant about it and has resolved to leave me. She thinks her son's problems are all behind him now.

I love my wife and don't want to lose her. -- Crestfallen Husband

**Dear Crestfallen:** Your wife is living in a fantasy, and her rushing in to take over her son's life could undermine his recovery. But she believes she is helping and to some extent, that's true. The problem is, her son needs to know that he can stand on his own feet first and he hasn't completely done that. Would she speak to the addiction experts about this? Do her son and new daughter-in-law understand the downside of moving out of the halfway house too soon?

If you cannot convince your wife to change her mind, and you want to stay married, we recommend that you be supportive. This could work out. Having a baby together might encourage the couple to be more committed to staying clean. Your wife's assistance could allow them to find decent jobs. Tell her you are on her side and consider this a temporary separation. We hope it is.

**Dear Annie:** After relocating in retirement, I find people correcting or commenting negatively about my pronunciation. In 70 years, I cannot recall one incident of people doing that where I previously lived.

Recently, a woman I thought of as a friend turned to another woman to comment on my pronunciation. While this has happened only a few times, it has made me uncomfortable and I have started to withdraw, keeping to myself.

What can I say to people who do this? Or should I just stay home? -- Hurt and Unwelcome

**Dear Hurt:** Please don't stay home and isolate yourself. If you have moved to a new area, it's likely that you have a regional accent and others simply need to get used to it. If someone says something hurtful, politely reply, "This is the way I speak. I'm sorry you find it so offensive." We hope they will fall over themselves apologizing for their rudeness.

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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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 Contract  
Bridge

By Steve Becker

## Accentuating the Negative

South dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.  
NORTH  
♠ 8 7 3  
♥ 10 8 3  
♦ K 10 6 2  
♣ K 8 2

WEST  
♠ K  
♥ Q 4  
♦ 8 7 5 4 3  
♣ 9 7 6 4 3

EAST  
♠ A Q J 9 6 4  
♥ 9  
♦ Q J 9  
♣ Q J 10

SOUTH  
♠ 10 5 2  
♥ A K J 7 6 5 2  
♦ A  
♣ A 5

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♥ Pass 1NT 2♠  
4♥

Opening lead — king of spades.

Bridge is a partnership game, and nowhere does this fact assert itself more forcefully than during defensive play.

Assume you're East and partner leads the king of spades against four hearts. You overtake the king with the ace to cater to the possibility that the king might be singleton.

The overtake proves to be neces-

sary because, when you play the queen, West shows out, discarding the three of clubs. When you then cash the jack, West discards the three of diamonds, and the question is what to do next.

If you are accustomed to trusting and obeying partner's signals, you should have no problem. By discarding a low club and a low diamond, partner has asked you not to play either of those suits. It would be pointless to shift to a trump, so, by elimination, you lead another spade at trick four, even though this play presents declarer with a ruff-and-discard.

This turns out to be just what the doctor ordered when your partner acquires a trump trick he otherwise would not have gotten, and the contract is defeated. Observe that the spade continuation would be equally successful if West had started with the J-x-x of trumps instead of the Q-x.

It is obvious from West's negative signals in diamonds and clubs that he lacks the ace of either suit. By inference, therefore, partner is demanding that you lead another spade, and you have no choice but to do what he says.

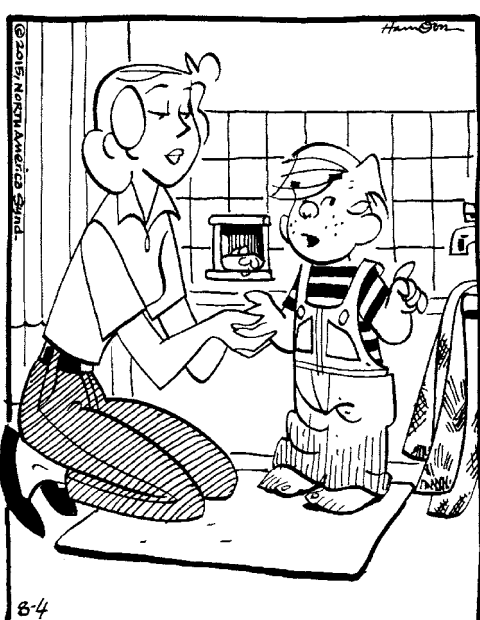
Tomorrow: Just a drop in the bucket.

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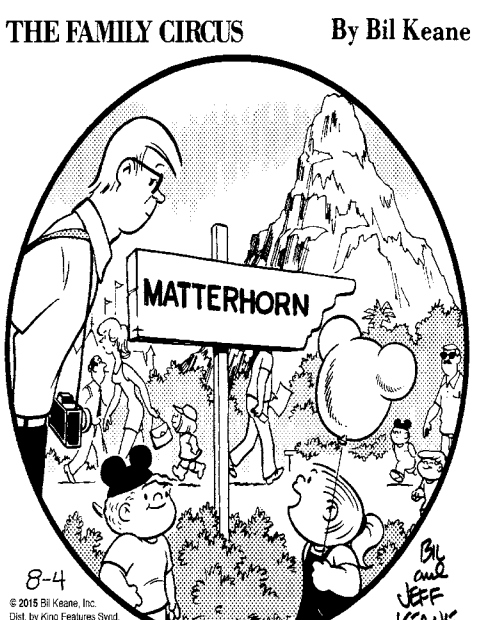
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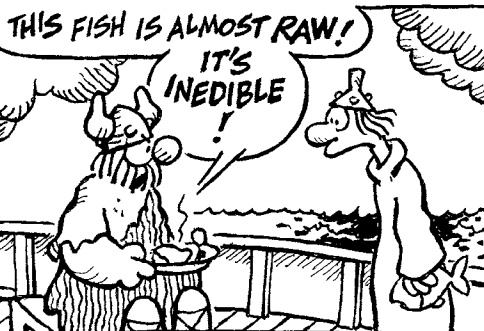
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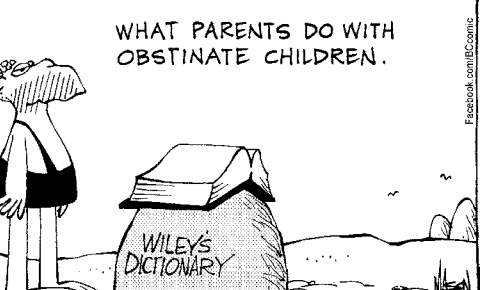
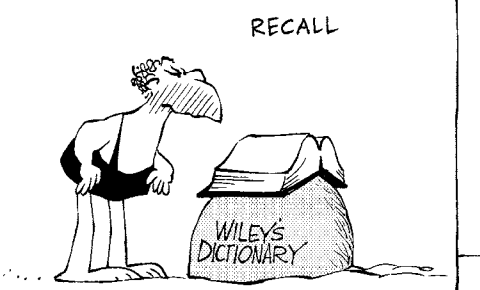


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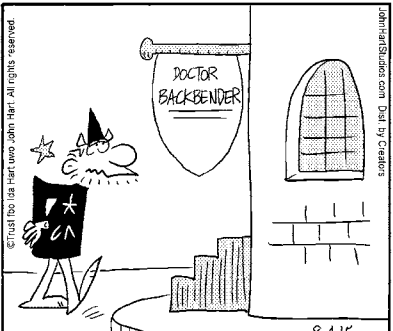
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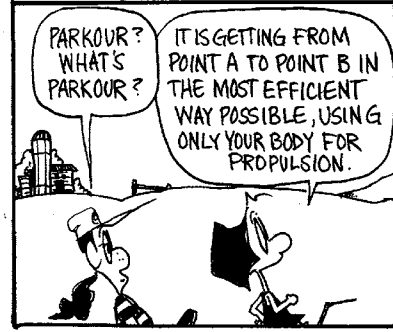
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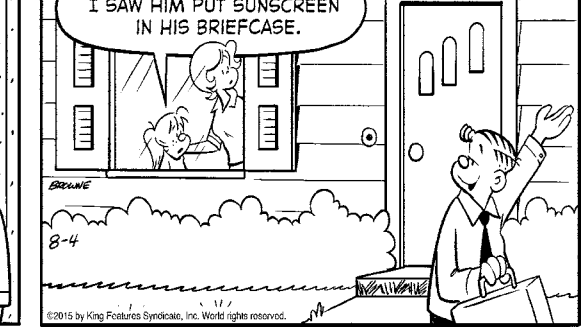
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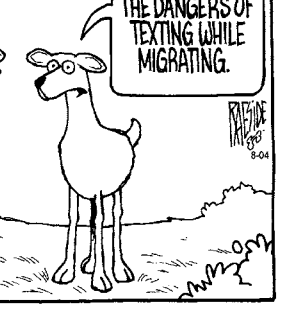
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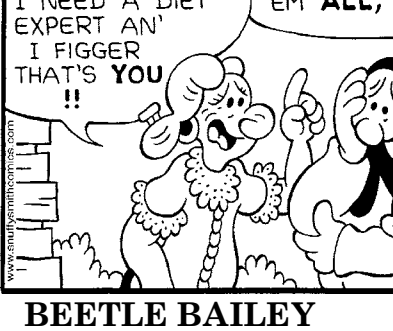
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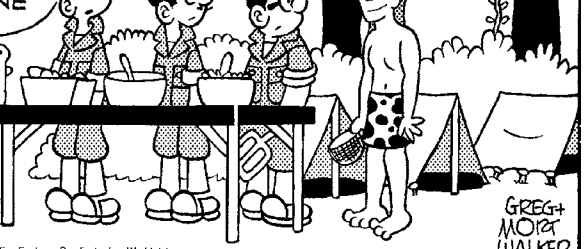
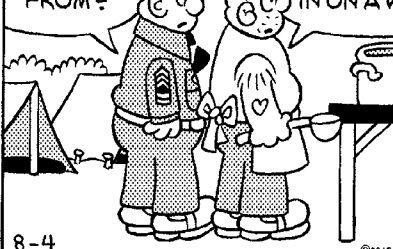
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, August 4, the 216th day of 2015. There are 149 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 4, 1790, the U.S. Coast Guard had its beginnings as President George Washington signed a measure authorizing a group of revenue cutters to enforce tariff and trade laws and prevent smuggling.

On this date:

In 1735, a jury found John Peter Zenger of the New York Weekly Journal not guilty of committing seditious libel against the colonial governor of New York, William Cosby.

In 1830, plans for the city of Chicago were laid out.

In 1892, Andrew and Abby Borden were axed to death in their home in Fall River, Massachusetts. Lizzie Borden, Andrew's daughter from a previous marriage, was accused of the killings, but acquitted at trial.

In 1914, Britain declared war on Germany for invading Belgium; the United States proclaimed its neutrality in the mushrooming world conflict.

In 1915, English nurse Edith Cavell was arrested by German

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authorities in occupied Belgium; she was executed later that year.

In 1936, Jesse Owens of the U.S. won the second of his four gold medals at the Berlin Olympics as he prevailed in the long jump over German Luz Long, who was the first to congratulate him.

In 1944, 15-year-old diarist Anne Frank was arrested with her sister, parents and four others by the Gestapo after hiding for two years inside a building in Amsterdam. (Anne and her sister, Margot, died at the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp.)

In 1964, the bodies of missing civil rights workers Michael Schwerner, Andrew Goodman and James Chaney were found buried in an earthen dam in Mississippi.

In 1975, the Swedish pop group ABBA began recording their hit single "Dancing Queen" at Glen Studio outside Stockholm (it was released a year later).

In 1977, President Jimmy Carter signed a measure establishing the Department of Energy.

In 1987, the Federal Communications Commission voted to abolish the Fairness Doctrine, which required radio and television stations to present balanced coverage of controversial issues.

Thought for Today:

"A man does not know what he is saying until he knows what he is not saying."

G.K. Chesterton, English poet-essayist (1874-1936).

Answer to previous puzzle

A	B	C	S	A	M	P	S	A	S	H			
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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 By oneself
  - 6 23 Across cleaner
  - 10 Flower stalk
  - 14 Welcomed through the door
  - 15 Sounds from Santa
  - 16 Walk through water
  - 17 Canonized person
  - 18 Persia's current name
  - 19 Go out the door
  - 20 Slot machines
  - 23 Auditory organ
  - 24 Enemy
  - 25 Faced the pitcher
  - 29 Just slightly
  - 31 Winery vessel
  - 34 Sore spot
  - 35 Swap
  - 36 Bullfight cheer
  - 37 Office attire with vests
  - 41 Pigeon sound
  - 42 Fracture
  - 43 Wood strip
  - 44 "In what way?"
  - 45 Manager
  - 46 Film trophies
  - 48 Energy
  - 49 \_\_\_ de Cologne
  - 50 Paper money with Abe's picture
  - 59 Poems of praise
  - 60 Rhye bodies
  - 61 Deplete
  - 62 Payment to a landlord
- DOWN
- 1 In addition
  - 2 Low in fat
  - 3 Garfield dog
  - 4 Ship of 1492
  - 5 Main course
  - 6 More timid
  - 7 Small part of a sentence
  - 8 Moby-Dick captain
  - 9 Authentic
  - 10 Person from Stockholm
  - 11 Car for hire
  - 12 Prepare for publication
  - 13 Big Apple baseballers
  - 21 Angry
  - 22 Short letters
  - 25 Sheetful of cookies
  - 26 Sneeze sound
  - 27 Toss
  - 28 Golf peg
  - 29 Regions
  - 30 \_\_\_ and forth
  - 31 "And here it is!"
  - 32 Wedding setting
  - 33 Examinations
  - 35 Trash-bag closers
  - 38 Waned
  - 39 "Will you marry me?" is one
  - 40 L.A. campus
  - 46 Rowing implement
  - 47 Evanston, to Chicago
  - 48 Annoyances
  - 49 Makes simpler
  - 50 In no way, shape or \_\_\_
  - 51 Notion
  - 52 Steam outlet
  - 53 Star Wars princess's title
  - 54 Godiva's title
  - 55 "Now it's clear"
  - 56 "C'mon, \_\_\_ be friends"
  - 57 Entice
  - 58 Parking place

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# Prosecutor: Tipster wrote sexual letters to Hernandez

FALL RIVER, Mass. (AP) — An anonymous tipster who raised questions about a juror in the murder trial of former New England Patriots player Aaron Hernandez had a sexually explicit relationship with him, a prosecutor said in a filing released Monday, the day Hernandez's girlfriend was seen wearing a wedding band.

Prosecutor William McCauley said an attempt by Hernandez's lawyer to question the tipster under oath is an "unwarranted fishing expedition." The woman's identity has been redacted in court documents.

One of Hernandez's lawyers, James Sultan, has said the woman called him anonymously several times after Hernandez was convicted in April of first-degree murder in the 2013 death of Odin Lloyd, who was dating the sister of Hernandez's fiancée. Sultan has said the tipster told him she worked with the juror and raised questions about what the juror knew about a 2012 Boston double murder case in which Hernandez is also charged. Mention of that case was barred at the Lloyd

murder trial.

Sultan had acknowledged that the woman had extensive contact with Hernandez but said there was reason to believe she had relevant information.

But McCauley said in his filing that the woman wrote Hernandez sexually explicit letters before and during the trial and, believing in his innocence, wanted to continue their relationship after he was released. Hernandez subsequently destroyed the letters, McCauley said.

The woman's father also served time in jail with Hernandez, McCauley said.

McCauley said the woman does not work with the juror as she claimed and other things Sultan says she told him are untrue. He also said Sultan has failed to provide information about the calls and the tipster.

Hernandez has a young daughter with Shayanna Jenkins, whose younger sister had been dat-

ing Lloyd. Jenkins attended the Lloyd murder trial sporting an engagement ring from Hernandez. And on Monday she wore a gold wedding band along with a gold-and-diamond engagement ring on her left hand, The Providence Journal reported.

Jenkins petitioned a Rhode Island probate court to add the surname Hernandez to her name, matching the surname of their daughter, Avielle Jenkins-Hernandez. A judge said she needs more information before granting the request by Jenkins, who lives in North Providence, Rhode Island.

There's no record Hernandez has gotten married or requested to get married since he was locked up, a prisons spokesman said.

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Mincey's role is more of a question this season because the Cowboys picked defensive ends in the second round of the past two drafts and signed an established pass rusher in Greg Hardy in free agency. Hardy faces a four-game suspension to start the season for his role in a domestic violence case.

Hardy and DeMarcus Lawrence, the second-round pick in 2014, have been running with the first team in early camp practices. Randy Gregory, this year's second-round pick, is running with the second team.

"It's always great to have a lot of talent around you," Mincey said. "I'm only one man. And I'm glad we've got many men now."

"It's going to be a great outfit and I know coach Rod's going to put us in position to make a lot of plays and put a lot of things in order and make it happen."

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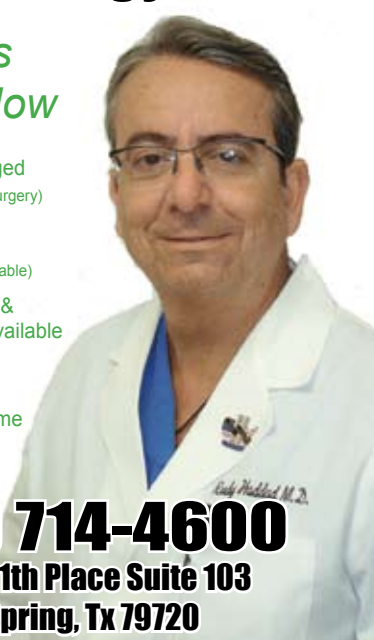
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