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# Budget, tax rate approval on council agenda

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

City residents will have another chance to publicly sound off about the proposed municipal budget and tax rate when the Big Spring City Council meets in regular session in its chambers at 307 E. Fourth St. at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Council members will hold public hearings on both the proposed budget and tax rate at the start of Tuesday's meeting. Later in the evening, the group will take the first of two votes needed to approve the fiscal package and tax rate. City officials say the new budget is as lean as possible, while also addressing press-

ing infrastructure concerns. Among the highlights of the package are:

- A 3 percent pay raise for city employees.
- About \$500,000 for street sealcoating projects.
- \$1 million in water line upgrades.
- \$500,000 in sewer line upgrades.

• Almost \$300,000 to replace water lines on 17<sup>th</sup> Street and the airport sewer line.

- Capital outlays which include five new patrol vehicles for the police department, street sweeper, roll off truck and trash truck for the sanitation department and a dump truck for the cemetery.

Fueling that budget is a pro-

posed tax rate of 77 cents per \$100 valuation. That rate is 8 cents lower than the expiring levy but, because of a noted increase in property valuations, will bring in approximately \$160,000 more in revenue than the previous year. Most of that increased revenue See **COUNCIL**, Page 3



# Large crowd honors vets

200+ turn out for dinner saluting wounded warriors

BY **LYNDEL MOODY**  
 Staff Writer

More than 200 people turned out to honor four U.S. veterans from the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts at a community dinner held at Moss Creek Ranch Saturday night. The dinner for Donovan Wainright, Darrel Butt, Adam McCarty and Matt Davis capped off a weekend of activities for the four young veterans at the second annual DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Chapter 47 Dove Hunt. "I just want to thank everybody out here for showing up and supporting us. It's kind of a big deal to know people still care about veterans," Wainright said. The annual event brings together four veterans, who received disabling injuries while serving in the military, for getaway weekend of dove hunting, a time to bond with fellow soldiers and a reason for the community to uplift and honor these warriors for their contribution to their country. During the dinner, each man walked to

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody  
 U.S. Veterans Adam McCarty U.S. Army; Darrel Butt, U.S. Navy; Donovan Wainright, U.S. Army; and Matt Davis, U.S. Marine Corp are awarded the quilt of honor at the DAV Dove Hunt community celebration Saturday night. The quilts are created specifically for U.S. veterans and are presented by wrapping the veteran in the quilt.

# Show of support

Prayer vigil held for law enforcement personnel

BY **LYNDEL MOODY**  
 and **JULIE BASS**  
 Staff Writers

Around 200 people packed the Heart of the City Park Saturday night to give law enforcement a simple message - I see you. "Dear police officer, I see you," is a tribute to law enforcement written by Elizabeth Shiftwell, the wife of a police officer, and was read at the beginning of the prayer vigil organized by the Howard County LEO (Law Enforcement Officer) Wives Club. The vigil was created to show support for those who serve with the recent deaths of Texas law officers in the past few weeks. The crowd launched balloons while an



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody  
 Melanie Gambrell, a worker for Big Spring Rail, halts traffic along old Highway 80 while a train crosses the road on to the McMahon Wrinkle Airport/Industrial Park rail spur. Train traffic along this route has picked up enormously in the last several years as businesses on the Industrial Park has been increasingly using rail as a way to ship goods. Drivers are asked to be cautious when crossing the area.

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## Obituaries

## Felix Robles Jr.



Felix Robles Jr., 93, of Big Spring died Thursday, Sept. 3, 2015, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

He was born Nov. 2, 1921, in Seguin, Texas to Concepcion and Felix Robles Sr. He married Matilda Molina May 20, 1942, in Seguin, Texas. She preceded him in death on Feb. 6, 1992.

He was a veteran of the U. S. Army and a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church. He worked on the D.F. Bigony farm in Fairview.

He is survived by four sons, Victor Robles and Brenda of Greeley, Colo., Felix Robles III and Alice of Odessa, Marcelino Robles and Ann of Charlotte Hall, Md. and Johnny Robles and Lupe of Tarzan; four daughters, Gloria Rodriguez, Aurora Rodriguez and Roberto, Elena White and David, and Conchita Rodriguez, all of Big Spring; one brother, Lorenzo Robles of Seguin; 24 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one brother, Justo Robles; four sisters, Jesusa Luna, Conchita Robles, Lola Hernandez, and Maria Cuellar; and a son-in-law, Eulio Rodriguez.

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

## Dell Marie Garrett

Dell Marie Garrett, 76, of Forsan, died Monday, Sept. 7, 2015 in Cisco. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

## Today's Weather

## Local 5-Day Forecast

Tue 9/8	Wed 9/9	Thu 9/10	Fri 9/11	Sat 9/12
<b>95/72</b> Except for a few afternoon clouds, mainly sunny. High near 95F.	<b>97/74</b> Plenty of sun. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	<b>89/67</b> A few thunderstorms possible.	<b>89/65</b> Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s.	<b>87/63</b> Mainly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 60s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:24 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:02 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:25 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:01 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:25 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:00 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:26 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 7:58 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:27 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 7:57 PM

## Cora Conn

Cora Conn, 74, of Sand Springs, died Sunday, Sept. 6, 2015, at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## Daniel Turney

Daniel Turney, 66, of Big Spring died Sunday, Sept. 6, 2015. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- ABEL HERNANDEZ HINOJOS, 43, of 100 N.W. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. was arrested on warrants for driving while license suspended/invalid with previous convictions.

- MORGAN BINDY HORTON, 37, of 2202 S. Main St. was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

- MARTIN ANTHONY RAMIREZ, 25, of 1601 Stadium Ave. was arrested on warrants for evading arrest/detention and a warrant

from another agency and charges of failing to identify – fugitive giving false information.

- ZACHARY MARC HERNANDEZ, 23, of 434 Dallas St. was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

- JORGE LUIS MACIEL, 49, of 12049 W. Louise St., Odessa was arrested on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon causing bodily injury to a family member.

- REBEKAH ANNE OVERTON, 37, of 407 Dallas St. was arrested on charges of aggravated assault

with a deadly weapon.

- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1800 block of S. Gregg St., the 1100 block of E. 12<sup>th</sup> St., the 400 block of Dallas St., the 1400 block of S. Owens St. and the 5000 block of Wasson Rd.

- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 100 block of E. FM 700.

- THEFT was reported in the 200 block of W. FM 700.

- THEFT OF A FIREARM was reported in the 3200 block of Drexel Ave. and the 900 block of S. Birdwell Lane.

## Take Note

- Scenic Mountain Medical Center administration and staff will host a chapel dedication on Sept. 9 at 1:30 p.m. The short ceremony is open to the public.

- Marcy Elementary “Families Helping Families” Community Yard Sale, Saturday, Sept. 12, from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Set up time begins at 6 a.m. and all items must be removed by 4 p.m. The “Families Helping Families” event will be held in the teacher parking lot on the north side of the campus. Individuals or organizations may rent one or two parking spaces. Parking spaces will be rented for \$10. and all proceeds from sold items are kept by the vendors. Contact Lisa Valencia or Bianca Carrell at Marcy Elementary to reserve a space at 432-264-4144.

- Blood drive at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Sept. 14. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The bloodmobile will be in the parking lot at the front entrance to the hospital. Donors with appointments will be seen first. To make an appointment, call 877-UBS-HERO or 877-827-4376 or on line at [www.bloodhero.com](http://www.bloodhero.com).

- The Big Spring High School Student Council invites the community of Big Spring to join show Steer Spirit during homecoming which is Friday, Sept. 25. Local business owners are encouraged to decorate their business fronts/windows. The theme of homecoming and the parade is Disney, “Once upon a time, in our quaint little town, the legendary Big Spring Steers welcomed the Graham Cinderellas to battle on sacred ground. Dreams will come true when BSHS Steers prevail in a fight to end all fights.” Parade entries submissions are due by Tuesday, Sept. 22. Please call the high school front office to enter at 264-3641. For more information, contact Haley Lefever at [hlefever@bsisd.esc18.net](mailto:hlefever@bsisd.esc18.net).

- 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.

- 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 is 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.

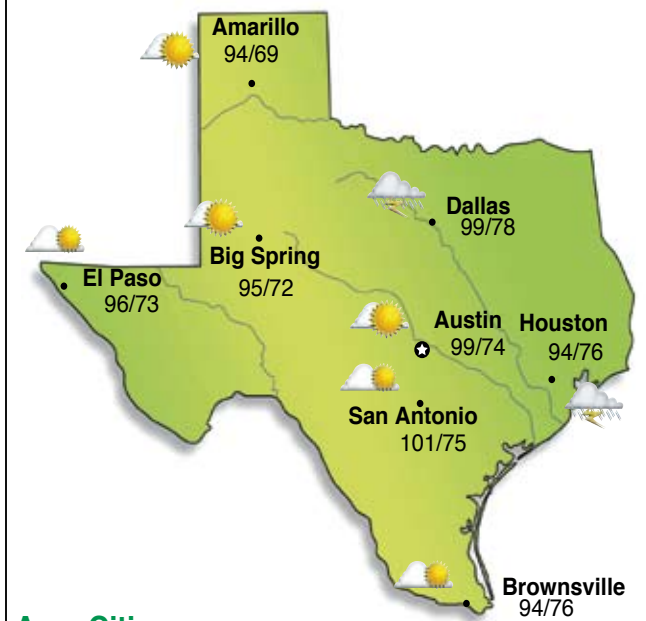
- Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9-11 a.m. and get two for one, plus a rehab meeting.

- 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.

- An account has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank for Briana Mendoza to help with medical cost. Briana was recently diagnosed with cancer.

- Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.

## Texas At A Glance



## Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	98	75	mst sunny	Kingsville	98	75	pt sunny
Amarillo	94	69	mst sunny	Livingston	92	72	t-storm
Austin	99	74	mst sunny	Longview	94	73	pt sunny
Beaumont	87	72	t-storm	Lubbock	95	70	mst sunny
Brownsville	94	76	pt sunny	Lufkin	94	71	t-storm
Brownwood	98	72	mst sunny	Midland	98	74	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	93	79	pt sunny	Raymondville	98	77	pt sunny
Corsicana	96	76	pt sunny	Rosenberg	94	75	t-storm
Dallas	99	78	t-storm	San Antonio	101	75	pt sunny
Del Rio	101	77	pt sunny	San Marcos	100	75	mst sunny
El Paso	96	73	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	96	76	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	98	74	mst sunny	Sweetwater	97	74	mst sunny
Gainesville	98	75	mst sunny	Tyler	95	75	t-storm
Greenville	96	75	t-storm	Weatherford	98	75	mst sunny
Houston	94	76	t-storm	Wichita Falls	100	74	mst sunny

## National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	83	67	t-storm	Minneapolis	81	62	mst sunny
Boston	90	69	sunny	New York	87	71	sunny
Chicago	87	70	cloudy	Phoenix	100	77	mst sunny
Dallas	99	78	t-storm	San Francisco	84	59	sunny
Denver	83	54	cloudy	Seattle	71	56	pt sunny
Houston	94	76	t-storm	St. Louis	96	76	pt sunny
Los Angeles	88	68	sunny	Washington, DC	91	71	sunny
Miami	89	79	pt sunny				

## Moon Phases



## UV Index

Tue 9/8	Wed 9/9	Thu 9/10	Fri 9/11	Sat 9/12
10	10	7	9	9
Very High	Very High	High	Very High	Very High

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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# News in brief

## Germany's Merkel demands EU partners share in burden of human tide from troubled nations

BERLIN (AP) — German Chancellor Angela Merkel, reflecting on “a moving, in some parts breathtaking weekend behind us,” said Monday that all EU countries could help to accommodate the human tide from the Middle East and Africa.

French President Francois Hollande announced that his country would welcome 24,000 refugees, and that he and Merkel had agreed on a mechanism to spread the migrant load across Europe.

But Hungary's prime minister, Viktor Orban, said he wasn't prepared to pitch in and questioned how any EU quota system for migrants could work.

Even as calm returned Monday to the main border point between Austria and Hungary after more than 14,000 people used it over the weekend to enter Austria, Hungary's leader hit back at EU counterparts who blamed his country for the chaos.

Merkel told reporters in Berlin that Germany will ensure that those who need protection receive it, but that those who stand no chance of getting asylum will have to return to their homes swiftly.

Germany is preparing to receive by far the largest number of immigrants, but Merkel called for help from EU partners.

## US dentist in lion hunt that prompted outrage says he acted legally, will return to work

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The Minnesota dentist whose killing of Cecil the lion sparked a global backlash emerged for an interview in which he disputed some accounts of the hunt, expressed agitation at the animosity directed at those close to him and said he would be back at work within days.

Walter Palmer, who has spent more than a month out of sight after becoming the target of protests and threats, intends to return to his suburban Minneapolis dental practice Tuesday. In an interview Sunday evening conducted jointly by The Associated Press and the Minneapolis Star Tribune that advisers said would be the only one granted, Palmer said again that he believes he acted legally and that he was stunned to find out his hunting party had killed one of Zimbabwe's treasured animals.

“If I had known this lion had a name and was important to the country or a study obviously I wouldn't have taken it,” Palmer said. “Nobody in our hunting party knew before or after the name of this lion.”

Cecil was a fixture in the vast Hwange National Park and had been fitted with a GPS collar as part of Oxford University lion research. Palmer said he shot the big cat with the black mane using an arrow from his compound bow outside the park's borders but it didn't die immediately. He disputed conservationist accounts that the wounded lion wandered for 40 hours and was finished off with a gun, saying it was tracked down the next day and killed with

an arrow.

An avid sportsman, Palmer shut off several lines of inquiry about the hunt, including how much he paid for it or others he has undertaken. No videotaping or photographing of the interview was allowed. During the 25-minute interview, Palmer gazed intently at his questioners, often fiddling with his hands and turning occasionally to an adviser, Joe Friedberg, to field questions about the fallout and his legal situation.

## Guatemala headed for runoff election amid fraud scandal that toppled former president

GUATEMALA CITY (AP) — A former television comic was heading for a runoff with either a wealthy businessman or a former first lady in voting for Guatemala's next president, days after the Central American nation's leader resigned over a corruption scandal.

With about 79 percent of polling stations reporting early Monday, comedian Jimmy Morales, who has never held elective office, was leading with 26 percent of the vote.

He was followed by businessman and longtime politician Manuel Baldizon, with 18.5 percent, and ex-first lady Sandra Torres, with 17.7 percent.

Assuming no candidate in the field of 14 gets a majority, the top two finishers advance to a runoff to be held Oct. 25.

## Obama to sign executive order on Labor Day extending paid sick leave to federal contractors

WASHINGTON (AP) — Showing solidarity with workers on Labor Day, President Barack Obama will sign an executive order Monday requiring paid sick leave for employees of federal contractors, including 300,000 who currently receive none.

The White House wouldn't specify the cost to federal contractors to implement the executive order, which Obama was to address at a major union rally and breakfast in Boston. The Labor Department said any costs would be offset by savings that contractors would see as a result of lower attrition rates and increased worker loyalty, but produced nothing to back that up.

Under the executive order, employees working on federal contracts gain the right to a minimum of one hour of paid leave for every 30 hours they work. Stretched out over 12 months, that's up to seven days per year. The order will allow employees to use the leave to care for sick relatives as well, and will affect contracts starting in 2017 — just as Obama leaves office.

The Obama administration has been working on the executive order for months, and chose Labor Day to announce it as Obama works to enact what policies he can before his presidency ends despite resistance in Congress to laws he's proposed to improve workplace conditions. That push has rever-

# VIGIL

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area fire fighter played Amazing Grace on the bag pipes.

“They (law enforcement) depend on God and they depend on each other,” said Joel Miller, Chaplin of the

Big Spring Police Department. “If you see them around town at the grocery store or just out there, say hi. Show your support.”

Lloyd Wells of Spring Creek Church spoke to the crowd recalling a recent ride along with a Big Spring Police Officer.

“They go to calls that

range from oil spills on the roads to more serious calls that are dangerous such as chasing people down dark alleys,” Wells said. “What you do matters.”

The vigil occurred the day after the funeral of slain Harris County Deputy Darren Goforth, who was shot to death leaving a convenience

store where he had stopped to refuel his car. On Friday, Big Spring and Howard County law enforcement join their fellow colleagues around the state to turn on their emergency lights for one minute to mark the beginning of the deputy's funeral held in Houston.

# DAV

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the stage through an honor guard holding flags while a short biography of his military career was read. They also received an American flag flown over the Capitol at Washington D.C. courtesy of U.S.

Congressman Randy Neugebauer, a quilt of valor, a specialized license plate saying DAV for life by Mike Tarpley, organizer of the event, and a shot gun from the estate of Wimp Holcomb. Also, each man was named a honorary member of the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department.

“The general public, they are used to seeing physical injuries, but when it comes to injuries above and beyond that, for instances traumatic brain injury and PTSD (post traumatic stress disorder) and others, the general public isn't usually aware of that,” said Ed Meiser, DAV Chapter 47 com-

mander. “This weekend was a special weekend. It gives the veterans time to get out and share camaraderie and share experiences of the past and just go out and enjoy the weekend. It is more therapy than going through a PTSD program.”

The weekend was made possible by donations from the public. Several area organizations and churches volunteer to provide meals for the veterans during their stay.

Lyndel Moody can be contacted at 263-7331, ext. 234.

# COUNCIL

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venue is being earmarked for city reserve funds, which have been used to make up for recent budgetary shortfalls, City Finance Director Donald Moore noted.

“We have had more expenditures than revenue the past few years,” Moore said. “Our (re-

serves) have been going down, and they will continue to go down in this new budget. All this will do is decrease the speed in which our reserves go down.”

In other business Tuesday, council will consider:

- A public hearing and first reading of an ordinance extending the juvenile curfew ordinance until September 2018.
- Renewal of existing homestead exemptions

and penalties for delinquent tax collection.

- The pay schedule for police and firefighters.

• Adjustment of water rates in response to an increase from the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

- The city's investment policy.

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berated in the 2016 campaign, where Democratic candidates are seeking to draw a distinction with Republicans on who's most supportive of the middle class.

“There are certain Republicans that said we can't afford to do this,” said Labor Secretary Thomas Perez. He lamented how paid leave is seen as a partisan issue in the U.S. despite broad support in Europe. “The Republican Party is out of step with similar conservative governments around the world,” he said.

## Voters in Ohio show an even keel after a turbulent summer for 2016 presidential campaign

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The unexpected rises of billionaire Donald Trump and socialist Bernie Sanders. Signs of weakness for Democratic front-runner Hillary Rodham Clinton. Curiosity about the future of Vice President Joe Biden.

It's been a summer of political chaos. Yet in Ohio, the nation's most reliable general election bellwether, voters are taking a more measured view of a race they ultimately may decide.

“It's all just chatter,” said Judith Anderson, 40, a Democrat from Cincinnati. “We're a ways out.”

Anderson was one of the more than 50 voters interviewed by The Associated Press the week before Labor Day in Ohio, which will be one of the most coveted states in the 2016 election.

## Kentucky clerk appeals order jailing her for not issuing marriage licenses to gay couples

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — A Kentucky county clerk has appealed a judge's decision to put her in jail for refusing to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

Attorneys for Rowan County Clerk Kim Davis officially appealed the ruling to the 6th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals on Sunday. The three page motion does not include arguments as to why Davis should be released but amends Davis' earlier appeal of the judge's order.

Davis objects to same-sex marriage for religious reasons and stopped issuing all marriage licenses in June after the U.S. Supreme Court legalized gay marriage nationwide. Two gay couples and two straight couples sued her. U.S. District Judge David Bunning ordered Davis to issue the licenses and the Supreme Court upheld his ruling.

But Davis still refused to do it.

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### Lowrie's grand slam helps Astros over Twins 8-5

HOUSTON (AP) — Tyler Duffey's solid start in his hometown was ruined by a collapse by Minnesota's bullpen.

Jed Lowrie hit a grand slam in a five-run seventh inning and Dallas Keuchel became the American League's first 17-game winner as the Houston Astros rallied for a 8-5 victory over the Twins on Sunday.

Duffey, who was born in Houston and went to Rice, yielded six hits and two runs with eight strikeouts in 6 2-3 innings.

The Astros had a double in the third and hit leadoff doubles in both the fifth and sixth innings, but didn't have more than one hit in an inning off Duffey through six.

Carlos Gomez got things going in the seventh with a single with one out before a two-out single by Luis Valbuena chased Duffey. He was replaced by Trevor May, who walked pinch-hitter Preston Tucker to load the bases. Jose Altuve hit a dribbler to third baseman Trevor Plouffe and narrowly beat the throw to first for an RBI single to cut the lead to 2-1.

Lowrie then hit his second career grand slam and his first since 2009 into the second row in right field off May

(8-9) to make it 5-2.

"It's one of those things, he's just been dominant," Duffey said of May. "Sometimes it just happens."

May dropped his head when Lowrie connected and shook it as he bounded around the bases and into a celebration at home plate.

"In short I blew it," May said. "I'm looking forward to another chance to get out there."

It was a rare bad outing for May, who entered Sunday having allowed just one run in 17 relief appearances since July 25 with a 0.59 ERA and 23 strikeouts.

"He's been so good," manager Paul Molitor said. "It's hard to find fault. He comes in, we tried to get four outs out of him today. I don't know if he was over-amped or what."

Keuchel (17-6) improved to 13-0 at home this season and set a franchise record with his 14th straight win in Houston dating back to last season. He allowed five hits, three runs and struck out 12 in eight innings.

The bullpen collapse



The Astros' Jed Lowrie watched his grand slam in the seventh inning against the Twins on Sunday.

ruined a solid start for Twins starter Tyler Brian Dozier, Eduardo Escobar and Aaron Hicks each hit a solo home run for the Twins, who have dropped three of their last four games.

Jake Marisnick padded Houston's lead with a three-run shot in the eighth inning. The Twins added two runs in the ninth off Chad Qualls before Luke Gregerson got the final out for his 26th save.

The victory salvaged a series win for the AL West-leading Astros, who begin a key 10-game road trip against teams in the division on Monday.

Lowrie is starting to heat up after struggling for a bit after returning on July 30 following a three-month stint on the disabled list after thumb surgery. He was

in a 0 for 28 slump be-

fourth inning into the seats in left field to make it 1-0. The Twins pushed the lead to 2-0 on Escobar's homer with one out in the fifth.

TRAINERS ROOM

Astros: Starter Scott Feldman will be re-evaluated early next week after having discomfort in his right shoulder while throwing catch on Saturday. Feldman left his start on Tuesday in the third inning with discomfort in his shoulder and had a cortisone injection on

Wednesday. The Astros hoped he'd miss just one start with the problem, but are unsure when he'll return after the latest setback.

UP NEXT

Twins: Tommy Milone (7-4, 3.60) opposes Kansas City's Yordano Ventura (10-7, 4.24) when the Twins open a three-game series against the Royals on Monday. Milone is 1-0 with a 4.24 ERA in three starts against the Royals this season.

Astros: Mike Fiers (7-9, 3.54) faces Oakland's Felix Doubront (2-1, 1.99) on Monday when the Astros begin a three-game series against the Athletics. Fiers, who threw a no-hitter on Aug. 21, is 2-0 with a 0.67 ERA and 24 strikeouts in four starts since a trade from Milwaukee.

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### Scoreboard

BASEBALL AMERICAN LEAGUE East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Toronto	78	58	.573	—
New York	76	59	.564	1 1/2
Tampa Bay	67	69	.493	11
Baltimore	65	71	.478	13
Boston	64	72	.471	14

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Kansas City	82	54	.603	—
Minnesota	70	66	.515	12
Cleveland	66	69	.489	15 1/2
Chicago	65	70	.481	16 1/2
Detroit	62	74	.456	20

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Houston	75	62	.547	—
Texas	71	64	.526	3
Los Angeles	69	67	.507	5 1/2
Seattle	66	71	.482	9
Oakland	58	79	.423	17

Saturday's Games			
Tampa Bay 3, N.Y. Yankees 2	Toronto 5, Baltimore 1	Boston 9, Philadelphia 2	Detroit 6, Cleveland 0
Chicago White Sox 6, Kansas City 1	Minnesota 3, Houston 2	Seattle 8, Oakland 3	Texas 2, L.A. Angels 1

Sunday's Games			
N.Y. Yankees 6, Tampa Bay 4	Toronto 10, Baltimore 4	Cleveland 4, Detroit 0	Boston 6, Philadelphia 2
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Monday's Games			
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Baltimore (Gausman 2-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 11-6), 7:05 p.m.	Tampa Bay (E.Ramirez 10-5) at Detroit (Bjorn 11-1), 7:08 p.m.	Toronto (Dickey 10-10) at	Chicago White Sox (Pedroza 10-1), 7:05 p.m.

National League East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
New York	75	61	.551	—
Washington	71	65	.522	4
Miami	57	80	.416	18 1/2
Atlanta	54	83	.394	21 1/2
Philadelphia	53	84	.387	22 1/2

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
St. Louis	87	49	.640	—
Pittsburgh	81	54	.600	5
Chicago	78	57	.578	8 1/2
Milwaukee	60	76	.441	27
Cincinnati	56	79	.415	30 1/2

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Los Angeles	78	58	.574	—
San Francisco	71	66	.518	7 1/2
Arizona	65	72	.474	13 1/2
San Diego	65	72	.474	13 1/2
Colorado	56	80	.412	22

Saturday's Games			
Milwaukee 8, Cincinnati 6, 1st game	Chicago Cubs 2, Arizona 0	Boston 9, Philadelphia 2	St. Louis 4, Pittsburgh 1
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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Civil Suit as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office on this the 28th day of August, 2015.

COLLEEN BARTON District Clerk of Howard County, Texas

By: Laura Martin, Deputy

#8846 August 6, 7, & 8, 2015.

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**The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes for Glasscock Groundwater Conservation District by 16%.**

#8850 September 7, 2015

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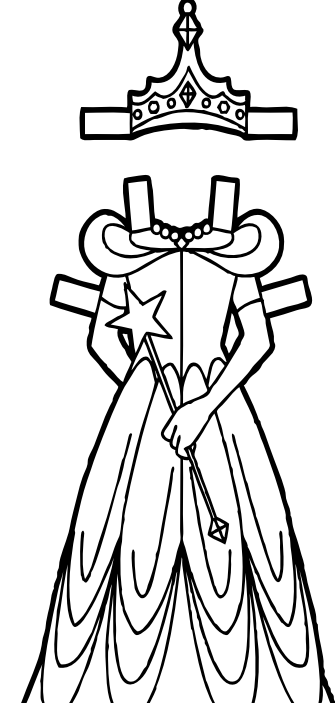
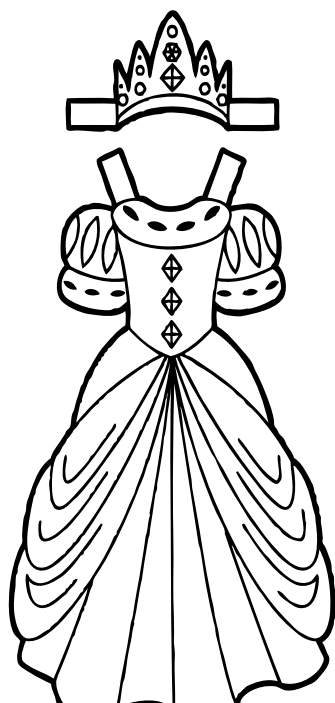
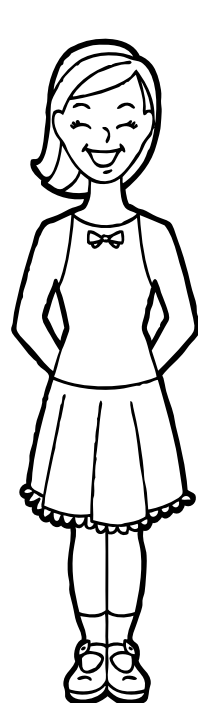
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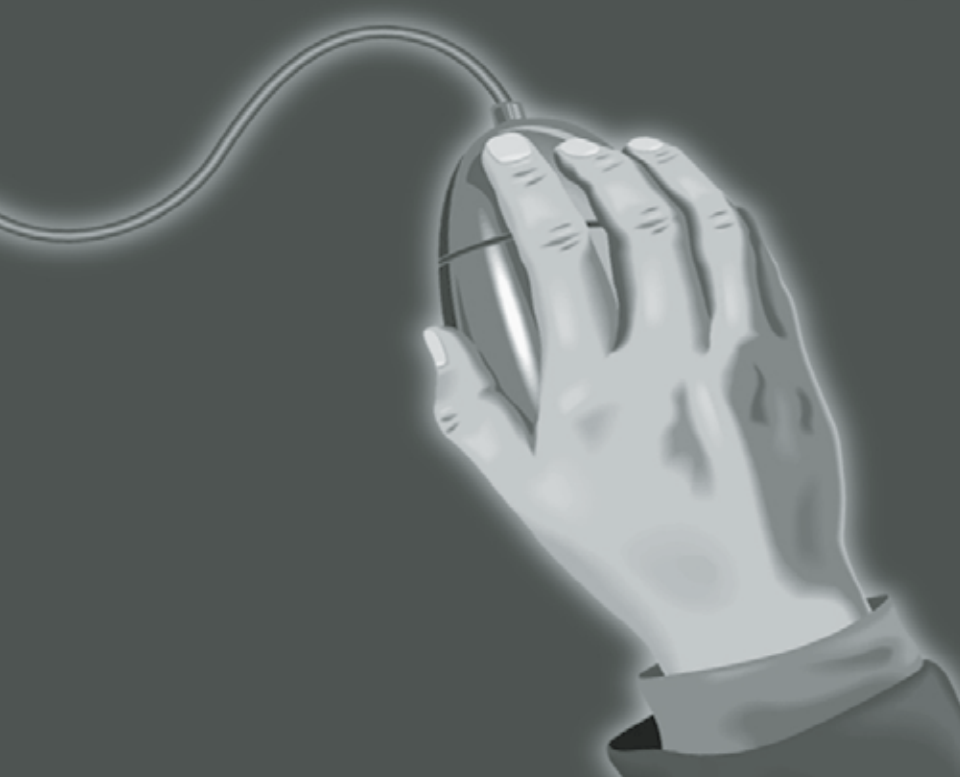
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Tomorrow's Horoscope



Labor Day Cancer Moon

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Studies show that the anticipation

of a positive experience can bring much more pleasure than the actual event. For the average working person, many exciting experiences happen over the weekend. The distant proximity to the weekend is why people hate Mondays. This Labor Day under the Cancer moon will be a joyful exception.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You're willing to travel across the country if need be, but are you willing to travel to the most complicated parts of yourself? Should you decide to take that risk, extraordinary things will happen.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). There's a change in your life coming, and it's a second chance for you -- to right a wrong, to heal a wound, to turn a page and leave the former plot in the dust.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). There's quite a lot that your high level of responsibility disallows you to do -- for instance, relax when the others say, "I've got it." Do they really have it? It's best to assess this on a case-by-case basis.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Happiness is a chase. If you caught it, it would only change its color like a chameleon or, worse, keep running, leaving you with the tail. So as you're running, just know that for today this is as good as it gets.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Even if you struck it rich tomorrow, you would still attend to many of the responsibilities, jobs and tasks that are in your life today. With one foot in the real world, no matter what happens, you'll always be in touch with what matters.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Small choices make up good days. Big choices make up a good life. The big choices sometimes cause days filled with unpleasantness and

struggle, but it's all worth while when the choice is for a good life.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are many ways to look at failure that don't include feeling ashamed, disappointed, angry or sad. What if you looked at failure as research and development or divine redirection?

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your experience is unique but not totally isolated. Reach out and you'll find that there are people out there with whom you have more in common than you might have imagined.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). In a weird way, you're making good use of the suffering you did last month. This is a testament to your character. You're not wasteful. You're resourceful on every level.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Someone who is working within a different time frame than you will finally catch up. It might be too little too late, but a slow response is better

than no response.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The response you'll get is different from the one you were going for, and yet it will be most pleasing to you. In fact, you'll consider yourself extremely fortunate.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You accept that different people have different priorities. You respect the work of others even when you don't quite understand or agree with the importance of it.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Sept. 7). You'll enjoy the comfortable place you carve for yourself. October shows you polishing skills and growing. Your execution of a job will highlight your talent, and the heavens will rain down all that you needed and wanted from the situation. A mystery and a vacation will weave together in November. January brings a fun reversal. Libra and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 37, 22, 31, 39 and 14.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:

"I'm a 44-year-old Capricorn, and lately I've been feeling out of sorts. My marriage has dulled, and my work no longer gives me any sense of satisfaction. In fact, I can't seem to identify with my role as a wife or as a manager. Sometimes even my role as a mother seems strange and foreign to me. I feel like a robot clone going through the motions, while the real person I am has been kidnapped by terrorists and is locked away in some remote and undisclosed location. Will I ever find and free myself?"

Capricorn is a practical earth sign, typically motivated by common earthly ambitions. But health and well-being are not always found through the conventional lens of the physical world. Disillusioned with the roles you once identified with, it is time for you to seek spiritual enlightenment. It may help a sensible person such as yourself to know that meditation and prayer are not the only routes to a higher understanding of your purpose. Enlightenment can be a simple matter of lightening up. Laugh-

ter, long walks and fun are a part of this. What would your day look like if you made your own enjoyment a No. 1 priority? Putting yourself first is the first step through this spiritual danger you describe.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Unprecedented hit songwriter Diane Warren has a catalogue of more than 1,000 songs, and her work has been featured in well over 100 movies. Warren was born when the sun and lucky Jupiter were in hardworking, diligent Virgo. Her heart-wrenching love songs maximize the placement of Warren's moon, Mercury and Neptune in Libra, the sign of both harmony and relationships.

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Annie's Mailbox

**Dear Annie:** I've been at the same job for eight years, but since the boss' wife died, it's become almost impossible to work for him. He has started drinking at work and making inappropriate comments to customers. I'm at a loss as to what I should do. This is a small business -- it's just

the two of us running the place, so there is no one else to turn to for help. His children live in other states, and contacting them about this could result in them shutting the business down, putting me out of a job. He has some family here, but they don't see a problem with his behavior. I feel like I'm stuck between a

rock and a hard place. Do I contact his children? Do I let things continue, letting him destroy what remains of his reputation and mine in the process?

I enjoy helping the customers. I was planning on starting a similar business when he retires, but it feels like he's dragging me down with the ship. -- Concerned Employee

**Dear Employee:** Your boss is grieving and needs help. First, try to speak to him and suggest grief counseling. His

doctor, local hospital or hospice can offer referrals. But you should also contact his children. They need to know that Dad is in bad shape and spiraling out of control. At the rate he is going, there won't be a business left to close down, so you have little to lose. Please help him out.

**Dear Annie:** My husband and I are in our mid-70s and slowing down a bit. My problem is Thanksgiving. For most of our married life, I provid-

ed elaborate holiday dinners. When the kids grew up and left home, the get-togethers took place every other year, so they could spend alternating years with their in-laws and other family.

This year it is our turn, but frankly, I am tired of doing this. I feel like it is time for someone else to step up to the task and invite us to his or her home. The family will be together Labor Day weekend, and I am wondering if you have any suggestions as to how to approach this subject. -- Need Some Relief

**Dear Need:** Yes. Be direct. Say to your children that you no longer have the energy to cook and host these big meals. Ask whether one of them would like to take over the hosting duties, or perhaps they would do the cooking and bring the food to your place and help you set up and clean up after. Or go to a restaurant.

Even grown children can continue to believe their parents are indestructible, and unless you tell them that you are tired, they don't realize it. But kids can also be tremendously helpful when asked, and they

may have ideas of their own. In fact, they may have wanted to change the holiday setup for a while, but thought you might be offended. Give them the opportunity to step up.

Annie's Snippet for Labor Day (Credit Martin Luther King Jr.): "All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence."

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please email your questions to [annies-mailbox@creators.com](mailto:annies-mailbox@creators.com), or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 737 3rd Street, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254. You can also find Annie on Facebook at [Facebook.com/AskAnnie](http://Facebook.com/AskAnnie). To find out more about Annie's Mailbox and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com).

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**Contract Bridge**

By Steve Becker

**Famous Hand**

North dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ Q J  
♥ J 10 6  
♦ K Q 7 4  
♣ A K 5 3

**WEST**  
♠ K 9 8 5 3  
♥ 5 3 2  
♦ A 2  
♣ J 8 6

**EAST**  
♠ 10 4 2  
♥ K Q  
♦ J 10 9 5  
♣ Q 10 7 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ A 7 6  
♥ A 9 8 7 4  
♦ 8 6 3  
♣ 9 4

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1 NT Pass 3♥ Pass  
4♥

Opening lead — ace of diamonds.

**It isn't easy to see** how South can make four hearts after West starts out by leading the ace and another diamond. Declarer apparently must lose a spade, a heart, a diamond and a diamond ruff and go down one against best defense.

**But the late Albert Dormer**, British expert and one of the most prolific writers on all facets of the game, managed to make the contract after reaching four hearts on the bidding shown.

**Moreover**, he found the way to make 10 tricks in a rather simple fashion. He led the heart jack from dummy at trick three and, when East's queen of hearts appeared, won with the ace. However, instead of continuing with a trump, which seemed the natural thing to do, he first cashed the A-K of clubs and ruffed a club.

**Dormer then led a trump** to East's king, and the remarkable effect of this sequence of plays was that East was on lead in a helpless position. If he returned a spade, declarer would finesse, losing to the king, but South's only losers in that case would be a spade, a heart and a diamond.

**If East returned a diamond** instead of a spade, the outcome would be the same. After ruffing, West would find himself on lead, also in a no-win position. He would have no choice but to return a spade, and Dormer would then lose only a diamond, a heart and a diamond ruff.

**By playing three rounds** of clubs before leading the second round of trumps, declarer had left West with no safe exit card if he got the diamond ruff he was looking for. At the same time, Dormer displayed that extra touch of class he so often wrote about.

**Tomorrow:** All roads lead to Rome.  
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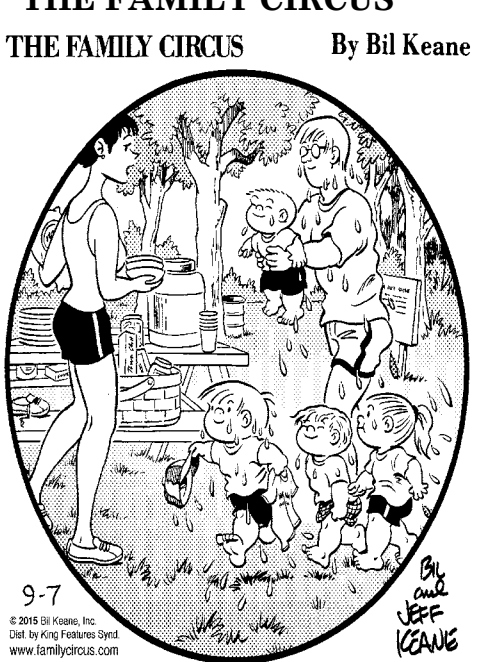


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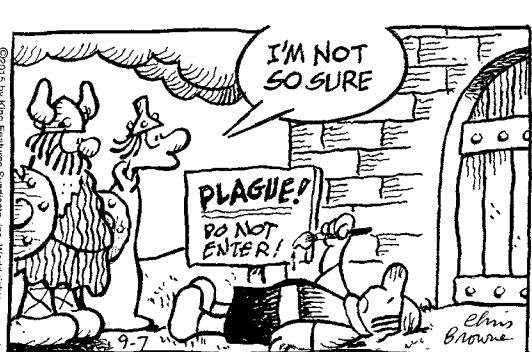
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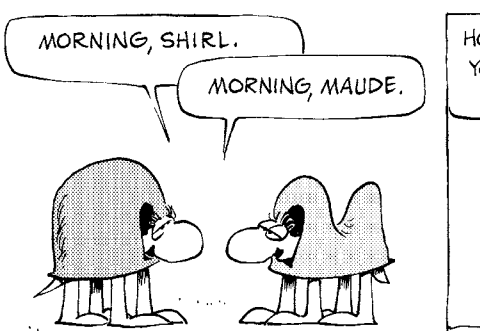
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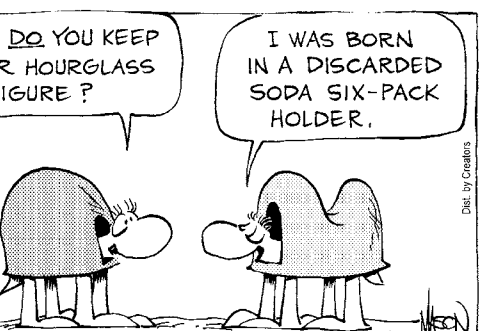
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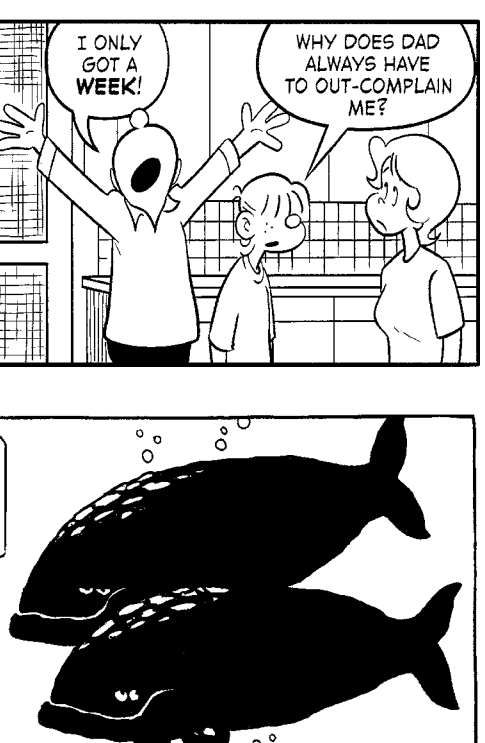
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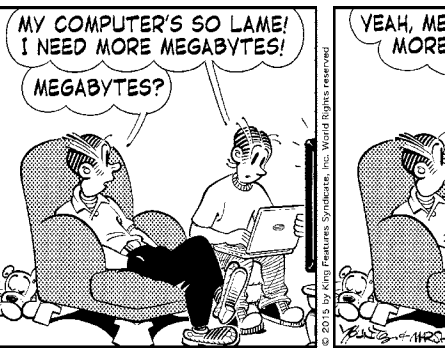
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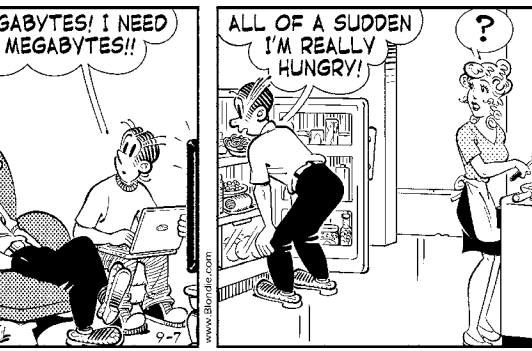
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On Sept. 7, 1940, Nazi Germany began its eight-month blitz of Britain during World War II with the first air attack on London.

On this date:

In 1533, England's Queen Elizabeth I was born in Greenwich.

In 1812, the Battle of Borodino took place as French troops clashed with Russian forces outside Moscow. (The battle, ultimately won by Russia, was commemorated by composer Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture.")

In 1825, the Marquis de Lafayette, the French hero of the American Revolution, bade farewell to President John Quincy Adams at the White House.

In 1927, American television pioneer Philo T. Farnsworth, 21, succeeded in transmitting the image of a line through purely electronic means with a device called an "image dissector."

In 1936, rock legend Buddy

Holly was born Charles Hardin Holley in Lubbock, Texas.

In 1957, the original animated version of the NBC-TV peacock logo, used to denote programs "brought to you in living color," made its debut at the beginning of "Your Hit Parade."

In 1963, the National Professional Football Hall of Fame was dedicated in Canton, Ohio.

In 1964, the controversial "Daisy" commercial for President Lyndon Johnson's election campaign, featuring a girl plucking flower petals followed by footage of a nuclear explosion, aired on NBC-TV.

In 1977, the Panama Canal treaties, calling for the U.S. to eventually turn over control of the waterway to Panama, were signed in Washington by President Jimmy Carter and Panamanian leader Omar Torrijos (toh-REE'-hohs).

In 1987, Erich Honecker became the first East German head of state to visit West Germany as he arrived for a five-day visit.

In 1990, Kimberly Bergalis of Fort Pierce, Florida, came forward to identify herself as the young woman who had been infected with AIDS, allegedly by her late dentist. (Bergalis died the following year.)

In 1996, rapper Tupac Shakur was shot and mortally wounded on the Las Vegas Strip; he died

six days later.

Ten years ago: Police and soldiers went house to house in New Orleans to try to coax the last stubborn holdouts into leaving the storm-shattered city. President George W. Bush led the nation in a final tribute to William H. Rehnquist, remembering the late chief justice as the Supreme Court's steady leader and a man of lifetime integrity. U.S. troops in Iraq, acting on a tip, rescued American businessman Roy Hallums, who'd been held hostage ten months.

Thought for Today:

"The theory seems to be that as long as a man is a failure he is one of God's children, but that as soon as he succeeds he is taken over by the devil."

H.L. Mencken,  
American journalist-author  
(1880-1956)

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Answer to previous puzzle

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**Newsday Crossword**

- ACROSS**
- 1 Twosome
  - 5 Baseball officials, for short
  - 9 In good \_\_\_ (fit)
  - 14 Loosen, as laces
  - 15 Decisive defeat
  - 16 Of the Arctic or Antarctic
  - 17 Make known
  - 18 Deep sleep
  - 19 New Delhi's country
  - 20 Transaction showing assistance
  - 23 Assist
  - 24 Cherry's color
  - 25 Toward the rear, at sea
  - 29 Mix with a spoon
  - 31 Summer hrs. in Pennsylvania
  - 34 Combination of musical tones
  - 35 \_\_\_ vera (skin-cream ingredient)
  - 36 Medical scanner: Abbr.
  - 37 Golden-colored tresses
  - 41 Day before a holiday
  - 42 Clumsy one's remark
  - 43 Too trusting
  - 44 \_\_\_ Moines
  - 45 Carryall bag
  - 46 All confused
  - 47 Exist
  - 48 Noisy commotion
  - 49 The Nutcracker dancer
  - 57 Sealed up, as a carton
- DOWN**
- 1 Places in position
  - 2 All over again
  - 3 Not doing anything
  - 4 Performer's part
  - 5 Mischievous boy
  - 6 Made cow sounds
  - 7 Mountain lion
  - 8 Top-billed performer
  - 9 Miss Muffet's visitor
  - 10 Sharpened
  - 11 Alan of M\*A\*S\*H
  - 12 Jack and Jill's container
  - 13 Historic time
  - 21 Not on time
  - 22 Made an attempt
  - 25 Had sore muscles
  - 26 Rudely push
  - 27 Voice-mail sounds
  - 28 Poet's "before"
  - 29 Mountain incline
  - 30 Heavy weights
  - 31 Online message
  - 32 Handle the steering wheel
  - 33 Ready for a snooze
  - 35 Very much
  - 38 Unhappy spectator
  - 39 At the \_\_\_ one's rope (desperate)
  - 40 Used to possess
  - 45 Makes a swap
  - 46 Think highly of
  - 47 Insurance seller
  - 48 Accounting inspection
  - 49 Reduced-price event
  - 50 "Once \_\_\_ a time . . ."
  - 51 Coconut tree
  - 52 Hawaiian party
  - 53 \_\_\_ and crafts
  - 54 Nebraska neighbor
  - 55 Sluggers stats: Abbr.
  - 56 Cravings
  - 57 Garment label

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# Lewis loses 3rd straight start as Angels down Rangers 7-0

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The Texas Rangers' hitters didn't know where the ball was going during the six innings Hector Santiago was on the mound for the Los Angeles Angels, and they managed only one hit despite drawing six walks.

None of those baserunners scored, and the Rangers lost the rubber game of the series 7-0 on Sunday.

"I felt like the approach against him was solid and it did translate into good at-bats," manager Jeff Banister said. "I mean, when you're in the batter's box and a guy is off the plate a lot and then executes a quality pitch here and there — which you're not expecting after he's been all over the place — that makes it tough on a hitter. Our guys dug in early, drew some walks, and barreled the ball a couple of times, but not enough."

A one-out double in the second inning by Rougned Odor was the Rangers' only hit against Santiago. The left-hander bailed himself out

with inning-ending double plays in each of the first two frames — the second of which he started by snaring a line drive by Chris Gimenez and doubling off Odor at second base with two men in scoring position.

Shin-Soo Choo's infield single in the eighth against Mike Morin was the only other hit by the Rangers, who were shut out for the ninth time. It was the 12th shutout by the Angels' staff.

"We've struggled this road trip and haven't been able to gain some traction, offensively," Banister said. "But this is an offense that has been formidable for us. And I do know that when it comes, it'll come in bunches for us."

Santiago (8-9) posted his first victory in seven weeks. He was 0-5 with a 6.46 ERA in his previous eight starts since beating Boston 11-1 on July 20. Last Monday at Oakland, he gave up five runs over 2-3 innings in the shortest of his 27 starts this year.

But in four starts against the Rangers this season, San-

tiago is 3-0 with a 1.48 ERA — including a 13-0 win on July 4 at Arlington in which he held the Rangers to three hits over seven innings.

Colby Lewis (14-8) failed for the third time to establish a new career high for wins, allowing seven runs — six earned — and 10 hits in five-plus innings. The right-hander is 1-3 with an 8.31 ERA in four starts against the Angels this season.

Lewis surrendered a home run to his second batter, reigning AL MVP Mike Trout, who ended a career-worst homer drought of 27 games and 95 at-bats since his solo shot off Baltimore's Kevin Gausman on Aug. 7 at the "Big A." It was Trout's 34th this season, two fewer than last year's career-high total.

"I thought I made a good pitch to Trout, a guy who hadn't hit a home run in a month," Lewis said. "It was a fastball down and away. That's my strength. But he hit it out."

Trout went the other way with an 0-1 pitch, barely

clearing the yellow line atop the 18-foot wall in right field.

"Is it a weight off your shoulders, because people kind of expect you to hit some home runs," Trout said. "But I can't think about that. Obviously, I'm not trying to do it — because once you try to hit homers, you're going to get in trouble."

Lewis failed to retire any of his first five batters in the second as the Angels added three more runs. Taylor Featherston chased the right-hander with an RBI double in the sixth, the Angels' third straight hit with none out, and Albert Pujols hit a bases-loaded sacrifice fly after Ross Ohlendorf's intentional walk to Trout.

The Angels' victory was manager Mike Scioscia's 1,400th in the big leagues. Scioscia, who has guided them to six AL West championships and a World Series title during his 16 seasons in the job, surpassed Wilbert Robertson for 27th place on the career win list and became the 10th manager to reach 1,400 victo-

ries with one club.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rangers: CF and leadoff hitter Delino DeShields did not play because of soreness in his torso, which was caused by a checked swing in the ninth inning of Saturday night's 2-1 win. ... RHP Tanner Scheppers, who had been sidelined by inflammation in his left knee, was reinstated from the disabled list to shore up a bullpen depleted by RHP Keone Kela's elbow injury.

UP NEXT:

Rangers: RHP Yovani Gallardo (11-9) gets the assignment Monday afternoon in the opener of a four-game series at Seattle.

Angels: Rookie RHP Nick Tropeano (1-2) opposes major league ERA leader Zack Greinke Monday night the opener of a three-game series at the "Big A," as the Halos try to avenge a three-game sweep by Dodgers at Chavez Ravine.

# Serena Williams beats Keys to set up US Open QF vs. Venus

NEW YORK (AP) — No reason for any extra practice after this performance by Serena Williams.

Plus, it's not as if she needs to study too hard to figure out how to deal with her next opponent.

Playing the best she during this U.S. Open as she chases a calendar-year Grand Slam, Williams set up a quarterfinal against older sister Venus by making only six unforced errors in a 6-3, 6-3 victory over 19th-seeded Madison Keys on Sunday.

Looking ahead, No. 1 Serena described No. 23 Venus this way: "It's like playing a mirror."

Serena took only 68 minutes to dismiss Keys, a 20-year-old American with formidable serves and forehands who simply was outplayed.

Already a winner of the past four major tournaments, including last year's U.S. Open, Serena is trying to become the first tennis player to win all four in the same season since Steffi Graf in 1988.

Asked why it's been so long since anyone else pulled off a true Grand Slam, Serena paused for effect, smiled and answered: "I don't know why it took me so long."

Standing in the way at the moment is Venus. This will be the 27th all-Williams match over their long and successful careers, and Serena leads 15-11, including 8-5 at majors. Each has beaten the other twice at the U.S. Open, with Venus winning the 2001 final and Serena the 2002 final.

"It's about, of course,

forgetting that she's playing Venus," said Serena's coach, Patrick Mouratoglou.

Venus, at 35 the oldest woman in the tournament, was on court even less time than her sibling on Sunday, overwhelming 19-year-old qualifier Anett Kontaveit of Estonia 6-2, 6-1 in 50 minutes.

Venus, of course, knows full well the challenge that awaits Tuesday.

"What else can you do, except try to win the point and hope she doesn't hit an ace?" said Venus, who lost in the third round or earlier at each of the past four U.S. Opens.

The sisters' mother, Oracene Price, said she wouldn't attend the quarterfinal.

As for whether Venus

will be in a tough spot — hoping to win, yet also well aware of what her sibling is pursuing — Price said: "I know it's going to be hard, because I know (Venus) wants (Serena) to get it."

Another women's fourth-round match scheduled for Sunday was scratched when 25th-seeded Eugenie Bouchard withdrew with a concussion, two days after slipping and falling in the locker room. That allowed Roberta Vinci of Italy to advance to the quarterfinals against Kristina Mladenovic.

Two men's matchups in the round of eight are set: No. 1 Novak Djokovic vs. No. 18 Feliciano Lopez, and defending champion Marin Cilic vs. No. 19 Jo-Wilfried Tsonga.

Djokovic lost a set for

the first time this tournament — and responded by stomping on a racket while it leaned on his red bag next to a change-over chair, earning a warning from the chair umpire. But he reached the quarterfinals at a 26th consecutive major by beating 23rd-seeded Roberto Bautista Agut 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3 at night.

Serena acknowledged having a bout with the jitters entering her second-round match, when she wound up double-faulting 10 times and made another two dozen unforced errors against a qualifier ranked 110th. Afterward, she took pointers from Mouratoglou and went to the practice court right away.

In the third round, against someone ranked 101st, Serena dropped the first set and was two games from defeat in the second before turning things around. Again, she put in more work to fix things.

"I was like, 'Serena, it's

now or never. You've got to get that serve together,'" she said after winning 22 of 28 first-serve points and never facing a break point against Keys.

And what about heading back out for a training session with Mouratoglou?

"No, not today," Serena said. "I'm going to take the rest of the day off and relax and just enjoy it."

Keys played well, too, at the outset, and appeared relaxed, managing to smile after miscues. But at the first moment of any real tension, down 15-30 on her serve while trailing 4-3, Keys blinked, double-faulting twice.

Some terrific returning by Serena in the second set kept the heat on Keys.

"I think I served pretty well. I think she returned better," Keys said. "To beat Serena when she's playing well, you have to do a lot of things great."

# Bouchard (concussion) withdraws from US Open 4th-round match

NEW YORK (AP) — Eugenie Bouchard's revitalizing run at the U.S. Open is over after she slipped and fell in the locker room.

The 25th-seeded Canadian, diagnosed with a concussion, withdrew from her fourth-round match against Roberta Vinci on Sunday.

She was hurt Friday and pulled out of two doubles matches Sat-

urday, hoping to still play in singles. But tournament officials announced Sunday that she had a concussion and had withdrawn.

The 21-year-old Bouchard, a runner-up at Wimbledon last year, had been struggling mightily coming into the U.S. Open but rediscovered her form at Flushing Meadows — with a boost from some

work with Jimmy Connors.

Her ranking, as high as No. 5 last fall, had slipped to 25th, and she'd lost 14 of 17 matches before arriving in New York. But then she suddenly strung together her first three-match winning streak since January, capped by a grueling three-set victory Friday over 2014 Australian Open runner-up

Dominika Cibulkova.

Bouchard was seen arriving at the tennis center Sunday with a hoodie pulled over her head, wearing dark sunglasses and walking gingerly.

The 32-year-old Vinci, whose ranking is down to 43rd, moves on to her first Grand Slam quarterfinal since the 2013 U.S. Open.

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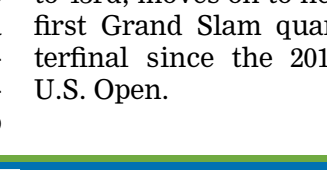
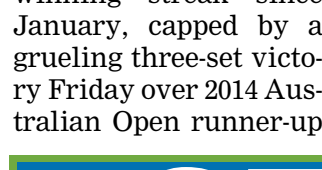
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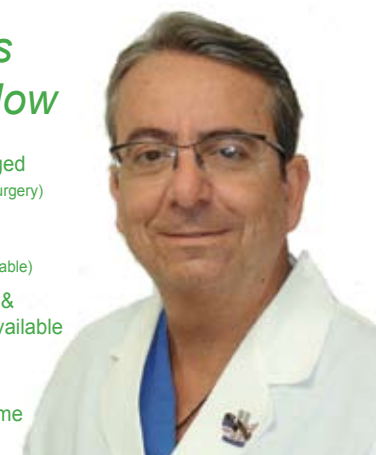
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